Attendees:

Victor Abboud, .ec
Olga Cavalli GNSO Liaison to the ccNSO
Lesley Cowley, .uk (Chair)
Keith Davidson, .nz
Fernando Espana, .us
Sokol Haxhiu, NomCom Appointee
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, At-Large Liaison to the ccNSO
Han Chuan Lee ccNSO Liaison to the GNSO
Young-Eum Lee, .kr
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Vika Mpisane, .za
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci
Patricio Poblete, .cl
Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Liaison to the At-Large
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi
Peter Van Roste, CENTR

Staff:

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schittek

Apologies:

Jian Zhang, .cn
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw

1 Confirmation of Approval of Minutes and Actions 16 March 2011

The Chair asked for comments or amendments to the minutes from the Council meeting on the 16th of March. No comments were noted and the minutes were approved.

Gabriella Schittek reported that the outstanding action items from the meeting on 1 March had been completed:

Action 60-01:
Bart Boswinkel to draft a charter for a follow-up working group to the Incident Response Working Group, which should focus on the funding, implementation and maintenance of a Contact Repository for ccTLDs.
Action 60-04: The Secretariat to post the Finance Working Group background material on the ccNSO Website.

2 High-level de-Briefing on ccNSO Related Activities

The Chair invited Councillors to give brief updates on recent activities relevant to the Council work.

The Chair reported that she had initiated a standard call between the Chair and Vice Chairs to discuss the agenda prior to each Council call and that she had invited the GNSO and ALAC to participate in the FoI Working Group. She further explained that she aims to meet with each Councillor in person over the year.

Hiro Hotta, Keith Davidson and Roelof Meijer briefly reported on their activities as Working Group Chairs.

3 Process of Appointing Working Group Candidates

The Chair referred to the previous discussion about finding a system to appoint new working group members to existing working groups between Council calls and presented two options by Roelof Meijer and Hiro Hotta:

1. The relevant working group chair to consult the chair of the Council who could approve, reject or consult the Council.
2. The relevant working group chair advises the ccNSO Chair who, if appropriate, proposes the addition via the Council email list and asks for any objections. If no objections are noted within 10 days, the person is appointed. If an objection is received, the matter will be added to the agenda of the next Council meeting.

The Council unanimously agreed on option number 2.

4 Incident Repository Implementation Working Group

The Charter was agreed.

Hiro Hotta suggested that the first task of the Implementation Contact Repository Working Group should be to clarify the definition of the repository function. It was felt that this had been covered by the Incident Response WG. Bart Boswinkel suggested that the group should build upon the Final Report of the Incident Response WG and offered to ask the former Chair of this group, Jörg Schweiger, to give a presentation about the IR Working Group recommendations in Singapore. This was agreed.

Action 62-01:
Bart Boswinkel to ask Jörg Schweiger to give a presentation about the Incident Response Working Group recommendations at the Singapore meeting.

Bart further reported that a call for Working Group volunteers would be sent out and that a
website page would be created for the group.

5 NoI on IANA Contract

The Chair noted that the ccNSO comments to the NOI were submitted within the deadline and that a total of 79 submissions were counted. She further reported that she would meet with the NTIA in Washington to discuss the ccNSO comments to the IANA NOI.

Peter Van Roste reported that CENTR included a survey on IANA performance in their NOI comments submission and asked whether any other Regional Organisations had done the same. Keith Davidson replied that APTLD took the same survey but that the replies were not sufficient enough to be included in the NOI submission.

6 Framework of Interpretation Working Group

Keith Davidson reported that a call for volunteers for the Framework of Interpretation Working Group was sent to the ccTLD community and that the volunteers would be presented to the Council at the next conference call. He further noted that he would like to see a more extensive involvement of the GAC in the initial work of this group.

The Chair said that she would contact the GAC Chair, Heather Dryden, to discuss the involvement issue when Heather was back from vacation.

Action 62-02:
The Chair to contact the GAC Chair, Heather Dryden, to discuss the GAC’s involvement in the Framework of Interpretation Working Group.

Bart Boswinkel noted that the focus of the Working Group up to Singapore will be to develop a work plan and agreed that input from the GAC would be important in this process.

7 Involving Regional Organisations in the Meeting Programme Working Group

The Chair noted that the Meetings Programme Working Group currently has no representatives from the Regional Organisations (RO), and that this is unfortunate since information about the Regional Meetings are needed to set a suitable agenda for the ccNSO Meetings.

Vika Mpisane suggested that representatives from the ROs could be included in the email correspondence of the Working Group, which would give them the opportunity to comment on the work, without having to actively participate.

Bart Boswinkel noted that Councillors Keith Davidson, Juhani Juselius and Patricio Poblete were selected to liaise with their respective Regional Organisation and suggested that they could seek involvement from the ROs in the Meetings Programme Working Group. This was agreed.

Action 62-03:
Keith Davidson, Juhani Juselius and Patricio Poblete to liaise with respective Regional Organisation to seek involvement from the ROs in the Meetings programme Working Group.
8 ccNSO Joint DNS Security and Stability Analysis Working Group Volunteers

The Chair advised that there had been more volunteers than places available. She, the outgoing Chair and the Vice-Chairs had considered the list of volunteers and had agreed to propose the following 12 appointments to the Council:

Roy Arends, .uk  
Sean Copeland, .vi  
Luis Diego Espinoza, .cr  
Mark Elkins, .za  
Ondrej Filip, .cz  
Jaques Latour, .ca  
Otmar Lendl, .at  
Takayasu Matsuura, .jp  
Katrina Sataki, .lv  
Jörg Schweiger (Co-Chair), .de  
Sean Shen, .cn  
Chris Wright, .au

No comments or objections were noted and the volunteers were approved by the Council.

Bart Boswinkel noted that Jörg Schweiger would Co-Chair the DSSA Working Group from the ccNSO side together with one Co-Chair each from the GNSO and the NRO.

9 Working Group Updates

9.1 IDN PDP Working Group 1

Bart Boswinkel reported that the IDN PDP Working Group 1 is in the process of forming a sub-group to deal with the confusability issue.

9.2 IDN PDP Working Group 2

Hiro Hotta reported that the IDN PDP Working Group 2 is currently focused on the voting issue, trying to determine whether the votes should be delegated as one per territory or one per ccTLD string.

9.3 Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN Working Group

The Chair reminded the Councillors about the notification sent to the email list regarding GNSO's approval of the Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN (JIG) Working Group Final Report on Single Character IDN TLDs.

Bart Boswinkel reported that the SSAC Chair Patrick Fältström had expressed concern regarding one of the JIG recommendations and that he is currently working with Patrick to sort it out. He further noted that the JIG report will be presented to the ccNSO Council for adoption at the next conference call.

9.4 Strategic and Operational Planning Working Group
Roelof Meijer reported that the Strategic and Operational Planning (SOP) Working Group had submitted comments on the ICANN Operational Plan 2011/2012. The submission was a result of evaluations of the Operational Plan, made through four subgroups and combined into one document.

9.5 Finance Working Group

Vika Mpisane reported that the Finance Working Group is currently reviewing relevant documentation and aims to identify existing problems and possible solutions. The group is further investigating other member organizations to learn about their funding methods.

Bart Boswinkel offered to contact the Byron Holland in order to set up a conference call.

Action 62-04:
Bart Boswinkel to contact the Finance Working Group Chair, Byron Holland, in order to set up a Finance Working Group conference call.

10 ccNSO Website: Closed Section

Bart Boswinkel explained that there had been several requests for a closed section on the ccNSO website and asked the Council to make a decision on whether or not to implement this proposal and, if appropriate, to agree on the requirements and format.

There was some discussion of options and their pros and cons. The Chair noted that there are conflicting views and suggested that the Council should revisit the subject at the next conference call. She offered to discuss the development of an options paper to inform the Council's deliberations with the Secretariat. This was agreed.

Action 62-05:
The Chair and Secretariat to discuss a paper on options for a closed section on the ccNSO website.

11 Board Working Group ccNSO Review Recommendations

The Chair thanked Bart for the overview of the ccNSO Review recommendations and proposed implementation actions and suggested that the Council should make an unanimous decision on whether or not to endorse the suggestions.

Since several Councillors had not been able to review the document, the Chair suggested postponing the topic to the next Council call. This was agreed and the Chair asked the Councillors to review the paper prior to the next meeting.

Bart Boswinkel reported that the ICANN Board Committee that deals with the implementation of the reviews has agreed on a high-level work plan that is in line with the ccNSO Review recommendations.
12 GAC-ccNSO Liaison Working Group

The Chair noted that several Councillors had expressed concern over insufficient communication with the GAC and asked the Council whether it would be useful to reactivate the GAC-ccNSO Liaison Working Group in order to increase the level of communication.

Keith Davidson confirmed that the GAC-ccNSO Liaison Working Group has been inactive for some time and that a reactivation would be a good way to increase the ccNSO communication with the GAC.

It was decided that the Chair and Keith would contact Heather Dryden to ask whether she would find the GAC-ccNSO Liaison Working Group a suitable tool for future ccNSO-GAC cooperation.

Action 62-06:
The Chair and Keith to contact GAC Chair Heather Dryden in order to discuss a reactivation of the GAC-ccNSO liaison Working Group.

13 Liaison Updates

13.1 At-Large Liaison

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for his detailed reports on At-Large activities and asked the Council for questions or comments. No comments were noted.

13.2 GNSO Liaison

Han Chuan Lee reported that since the JIG Final report on Single IDN Characters was a product of a joint working group, the GNSO Council had found it difficult to approve it in its usual manner. He suggested that the ccNSO and GNSO Council should agree on a process for approving joint working group reports.

The Chair thanked Han Chuan for the input and offered to contact GNSO Chair Stephane Van Gelder to discuss the issue.

Action 62-07:
The Chair to contact GNSO Chair Stephane Van Gelder to discuss a process for approving joint working group reports.

14 AOB

The Chair reminded Councillors who still had not provided a photograph and profile information for the ccNSO Website Council page to do so as soon as possible.

The Chair further noted that the aim will be to post Council meeting materials on the email list 3-5 days before each meeting and encouraged the Councillors to help in this effort.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and noted that the next meeting is set to the 10th of May. The meeting then closed.