Attendees:

Victor Abboud, .ec
Becky Burr, NomCom appointee
Lesley Cowley, .uk (Chair)
Keith Davidson, .nz
Fernando Espana, .us
Byron Holland, .ca (vice Chair)
Hiro Hotta, .jp (vice Chair)
Han Chuan Lee, ccNSO Liaison to the GNSO
Juhani Juselius, .fi
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, At-Large Liaison to the ccNSO
Young Eum Lee, .kr
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw
Souleymane Oumtana, .ci
Patricio Poblete, .cl
Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Liaison to the At-Large
Peter Van Roste, CENTR
Jian Zhang, APTLD

ICANN Staff:

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schitteke

Apologies:

Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi

1 Confirmation of Approval of Minutes and Actions from 12 April 2011

Gabriella Schitteke ran through the action items from the Council Call on 12 April 2011:

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

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. This action was completed.
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. 
This action is still in progress.

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. 
This action was completed but a date was not yet selected.

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

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. 
Due to Heather Dryden’s vacation, this action is in progress.

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

2 High-level de-Briefing on ccNSO Related Activities

The Chair de-briefed the Councillors about her trip to Washington where she met with Becky Burr as the first in a series of meetings with all Councillors. She further met with the NTIA to discuss the input on the IANA NOI and visited NEUSTAR where she spoke to Fernando Espana and GNSO vice Chair Jeff Neuman to discuss cross-community work between the ccNSO and the GNSO. It was decided that the chairs and vice chairs would arrange a meeting to prepare for the joint Council meeting in Singapore.

Byron Holland reported that he had participated in the drafting of the ccNSO Work Plan and Hiro Hotta reported on his involvement in the IDN PDP Working Group 2 and the Meetings Programme Working Group.

Han Chuan Lee reported that the regional IGF meeting will be held in Singapore on the 16th-17th June and encouraged Councillors travelling to the ICANN meeting to extend their trip to participate in the IGF meeting.

Various other Councillors reported on their recent activity.

3 Letter from Rod Beckstrom to the ccNSO Chair on Continuity Plan/Crisis Communications Strategy

The Chair informed the Councillors about the letter received from ICANN CEO Rod Beckstrom to the ccNSO Chair regarding a continuity plan and crisis communications strategy.

The Council noted its receipt of the letter and the Chair suggested three possible reactions:
1. To take no further action beyond acknowledging the receipt of the letter and thanking Rod Beckstrom.
2. To compose a response to Rod Beckstrom and highlight the ccNSO work so far on continuity and crises planning.
3. To set up a best-practice group on business continuity.

The Councillors discussed whether or not satellite phones would be useful in a crisis and further agreed that a response to Rod should be drafted presenting the disparate opinions. The response would further inform Rod about the publication of the letter on the ccNSO website. Becky Burr offered to draft the response.

Action 63-01:
The Secretariat to publish and announce Rod Beckstrom’s letter to the ccNSO Chair regarding continuity plan and crisis communications strategy.

Action 63-02:
Becky Burr to, on behalf of the Council, draft a response to Rod Beckstrom’s letter on continuity plan and crisis communications strategy.

4 Incident Repository Implementation Working Group

The Chair presented the amended list of volunteers for the Incident Repository Implementation Working Group:

Luis Diego Espinoza, .cr
Wim Degezelle, CENTR (observer)
Hitoshi Saito, .jp
Mohamed Ibrahim, .so
Antoinette Johnson, .vi
Zoran Vlah, .hr

The Council agreed to approve the volunteers as presented.

5 Framework of Interpretation Working Group (FoI)

The Chair reported that the ALAC, GNSO and the GAC have confirmed their interest to participate in the Framework of Interpretation Working Group.

Keith Davidson presented the updated list of Working Group volunteers to the Council:

ccNSO:

Ugo Akiri, .ng
Martin Boyle, .uk
Becky Burr, NomCom (Vice Chair)
Keith Davidson, .nz (Chair)
Chris Disspain, .au
Stephen Deerhake, .as
Bart Boswinkel added that the GAC Chair, Heather Dryden, and one of the vice Chairs would also be subscribed to the FoI email list as a way for them to stay informed.

The Council agreed to approve the volunteers as presented and the Chair thanked the volunteers for their willingness to contribute to this particularly demanding working group.

6 Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN Working Group (JIG) Final Report

Bart Boswinkel reported that Patrick Fältström and Edmon Chung had a discussion regarding recommendation 3 D in the JIG Final Report. Patrick had felt that the IDN TLD testing of confusable similarity should not be limited to only single or two character ASCII TLDs. The issue was resolved and included in the report.

The Council agreed to adopt the JIG Final Report.
7 Working Group Updates

7.1 IDN PDP Working Group 1

Bart Boswinkel reported that a sub-group to the IDN PDP Working Group 1 had been initiated to address the confusability issue in ccTLD strings. The group would start its work shortly with the aim to present its recommendations at the Singapore meeting.

7.2 IDN PDP Working Group 2

Hiro Hotta reported that the IDN PDP Working Group 2 is continuing its discussions on the ‘one vote per territory’ issue and will have one or two conference calls on this topic before the Singapore meeting.

7.3 SOP Working Group

Roelof Meijer reported that the SOP Working Group submitted its recommendations to the ICANN Operational Plan Framework on the 3rd of April.

Bart Boswinkel added that a conference call is scheduled with ICANN Controller Juan Ojeda on 18th of May in order for Juan to present and explain the Draft Operational Plan to the SOP Working Group, based on the Working Group input.

7.4 Finance Working Group

Byron Holland reported that there had not been any activity in the Finance Working Group since the last Council call but that a conference call is planned shortly in order for the group to prepare for the Singapore meeting.

7.5 Joint Security & Stability Working Group (DSSA)

Bart Boswinkel reported that two conference calls are scheduled for the DSSA Working Group before Singapore and that the group is aiming to have a work plan ready for the face-to-face meeting.

8 ccNSO Review Work Plan

The Chair suggested that the Council should go through the ccNSO Review Work Plan page by page to consider the proposed priorities and actions.

The Chair asked for comments to recommendations 1, 2 and 3.

Roelof Meijer suggested that the costs for translation of key documents could be covered by ccTLD sponsorships and that it would be wise to use ICANN’s translators for consistency reasons.

Bart Boswinkel suggested that this topic should be revisited after the Dakar Meeting. This was agreed.
The Chair asked for comments to recommendations 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. No comments were noted.

The Chair asked for comments to recommendations 9, 10, 11, 12.

Roelof Meijer expressed that the consideration of a term limit for the ccNSO Council should have low priority. The Chair noted that the issue should be revisited in the future.

The Council agreed to adopt the proposed priorities and actions.

Bart Boswinkel offered to inform the ICANN Board Structural Improvements Committee (SIC) about the adoption of the Review Work Plan.

Action 63-03:
Bart Boswinkel to inform the ICANN Board Structural Improvements Committee (SIC) about the adoption of the ccNSO Review Work Plan.

9 ccNSO Draft Work Plan

The Chair thanked Bart Boswinkel for his work on the Draft ccNSO Work Plan and informed the Council that Bart would visit her during the week to discuss the topic further.

The Chair asked the Councillors for comments to the proposed adoption process:

Step 1: Initial discussion by the council 10 May
Step 2: Update based on discussion
Step 3: Finalise proposal Council call 7 June 2012
Step 4: Present Work Plan at ccNSO members meeting in Singapore
Step 5: Update Work Plan for adoption
Step 6: Adoption either at Singapore meeting or Council call 23 August

Hiro Hotta suggested that since the process is rather detailed it would be useful for the ccNSO Working Group chairs to review the process in order to synchronise it with the working group schedules.

The Chair asked for comments or objections to the Draft Work Plan. No comments were noted.

10 ccNSO Website

10.1 Closed Section

The Chair asked for opinions to the suggested options for a closed section on the ccNSO website:

Option A: There should be a clearly marked, closed ccNSO website space, with the possibility to contain areas such as address books, sensitive material etc.
Option B: The (Confluence) Wiki tool should be used for the purposes of a closed section whilst the ccNSO website should remain completely open.

Option C: No areas on the ccNSO website or the Confluence Wiki Spaces should be closed

Various Councillors voted for Option B and Option C. The Chair suggested a trial period for Option B and this was agreed.

Bart Boswinkel offered to elaborate Option B for better comprehension, including preparation for a Confluence training session.

Action 63-04:
Bart Boswinkel to elaborate Option B in the paper on a Closed section on the ccNSO website, including preparation for a Confluence training session.

10.2 Biographies of councillors and pictures

The Chair thanked the Councillors who already provided pictures and biographies to the Council page on the ccNSO website and asked those who did not yet submit the information to do so as soon as possible.

11 Security, Stability and Resiliency (SSR)

The Chair reported that the draft ICANN Security, Stability and Resiliency (SSR) Plan was published and that the ccNSO had agreed to submit a response.

Bart Boswinkel reported that a briefing call with Patrik Jones was held and that a draft response is in progress and should be submitted before the close of the public comment period on the 1st of June.

12 Draft Agenda Singapore Meeting

Gabriella Schittek reported that the Meetings Programme Working Group is finalising the Singapore meeting agenda and that the IDN session was recently moved from Monday evening to Tuesday evening.

The Chair encouraged the Councillors to forward any input on the Singapore agenda to the Meetings Programme Working Group.

13 Liaison Updates

13.1 At-Large Liaison

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for the number of reports forwarded to the Council on various ALAC topics.

13.2 GNSO Liaison
The Chair noted that a GNSO report was circulated by Han Chuan Lee earlier the same day.

Han Chuan highlighted that the GNSO Council is planning a workshop in Singapore on the Cartagena Board Resolution on Consumer Choice, Competition and Innovation, and that ccNSO members are invited to participate.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr underlined the importance of cross-community participation in the workshop. The Chair confirmed that ccNSO members would be involved in the discussions.

14 AOB

Bart Boswinkel reported that he was approached by Naela Sarras regarding a revival of the IDN Guidelines Working Group. He further noted that Hiro Hotta and Mohamed El-Bashir was asked as previous members to continue their work and that they both had accepted.

The meeting then closed.