ccNSO Council Telephone Conference

25 September 2012

Attendees:

Victor Abboud, .ec
Becky Burr, NomCom appointee
Lesley Cowley, .uk
Keith Davidson, .nz
Fernando Espana, .us
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ALAC Liaison to the ccNSO
Sokol Haxhiu, NomCom appointee
Young-Eum Lee, .kr
Barrack Otieno, AftLD
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci
Ron Sherwood, .vi, ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi
Margarita Valdes, .cl
Peter Van Roste, CENTR
Jian Zhang, APTLD
Hong Xue, NomCom appointee

ICANN Staff:

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schittek

1 Apologies

Apologies were noted from Byron Holland, Hiro Hotta, Han Chuan Lee and Vika Mpisane.
2 Minutes and Actions

The Chair asked for comments to the minutes and actions from the Council meeting on 28 August. No comments were noted and the minutes were approved.

Gabriella Schittek ran through the actions from the previous Council meeting:

Action 76-01:
Peter Van Roste to follow up on the plans to have the ccNSO/GAC panel discussion at the Toronto meeting.
This action is still pending and it was agreed that Peter and Bart Boswinkel should continue the discussions with Heather Dryden to look at the possibilities for Toronto and focus on more extensive alterations for Beijing.

Action 77-01:
Peter Van Roste and Bart Boswinkel to continue the discussions with the GAC chair Heather Dryden regarding a ccNSO/GAC panel discussion in Toronto or Beijing.

Action 76-02:
Gabriella Schittek to post the timeline for the upcoming Council elections on the Council email list for approval.
This action was completed.

Action 76-03:
Gabriella Schittek to announce the new Capacity Study Group volunteers on the Council email list for approval.
This action was completed.

Action 76-04:
Gabriella Schittek to introduce a discussion on alternatives to the ccNSO dinners on the Council email list.
This action was completed.

Action 76-05:
Bart Boswinkel to re-circulate the Draft ccNSO Council SSR Statement on the Council email list for final comments to be made within the next 24 hours.
This action was completed.

Action 76-06:
Bart Boswinkel to circulate the amended ccNSO Statement Guidelines on the Council email list for approval.
This action was completed.

Action 76-07:
Bart Boswinkel to circulate the ccNSO response to Bertrand de la Chapelle on New gTLD impact on the Council email list for approval.
This action was completed.
3 Updates

3.1 Chair Update

The Chair noted that the ccNSO and the Council had made numerous submissions to public comment requests.

She further reported that the GAC is anticipating ministry presence at the high-level GAC meeting in Toronto but that nothing had yet been confirmed. She also noted that the SO/AC chairs would make presentations.

3.2 Vice-Chair Update

Keith Davidson reported that aside from the usual work with the FoI Working Group he had been involved in the planning of the ccNSO Members Meeting panel discussion in Toronto.

3.3 Councillors Update

Roelof reported that an application for ccNSO membership was received from .rw Rwanda, but that the application was filled in incorrectly. Gabriella Schittek confirmed that she is following up on this matter.

Roelof further noted that several sessions had been held on to improve the strategic planning process and that he would report further on the progress at the Toronto meeting.

Paulos Nyirenda reported that AFTLD has got a new executive committee and that he is the new chair. The Councillors congratulated him on his new role.

3.4 Regional Organisations Update

Peter Van Roste reported that CENTR is currently working with external consultants to guide ccTLDs in their future work and noted that he might report further on this in Toronto.

3.5 Staff Update

No update from the support staff was noted.

4 Progress Council Elections

Gabriella Schittek reported that following people had been nominated and seconded for the Council election:

African Region - Ntahigiye Abibu, .tz
Asia/Pacific Region – Keith Davidson, .nz
European Region – Lesley Cowley, .uk
She noted that no candidate had been nominated for the North American region and asked the Councillors from this region to come up with a nomination within the next few days.

*Action 77-02:*

Councillors from the North American region to as soon as possible put forward a candidate for the Council election.

Gabriella further reported that two candidates had been nominated and seconded in the extra election process to fill the seat of Juhani Julelius and that an election would be held between Katrina Sataki, .lv and Andrei Kolesnikov.ru.

**5 GNSO Metrics Working Group Advise Consumer Trust and Choice and Metrics**

The Chair reminded the Councillors about the background paper on consumer trust, choice and metrics provided by Bart Boswinkel. She noted ICANN is looking for input on this topic and that the document proposes to submit a response according to the ccNSO Statement Procedure.

The Council agreed to create a group to prepare a draft response. Roelof Meijer noted that a background paper from ICANN would have been most helpful in the request for feedback and the Council agreed to incorporate this note in the response.

The Chair asked the Councillors to pass a resolution to create a statement-drafting group.

*Resolution 77-01:*

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to create a statement-drafting group in order to respond to the ICANN request for input on consumer trust, choice and metrics. The Council further resolved to include a note in the response asking ICANN to provide a background document for the input request.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

**6 Future of ccNSO Dinners**

The Councillors discussed the report on the ccNSO dinner arrangements provided by Gabriella Schittek, suggesting that the ccNSO dinner should be replaced by a cocktail reception.

Dotty Sparks de Blanc noted that there might be a way to have more informal dinners, as they were usually arranged some time ago.

The Council agreed to move forward on Keith Davidson’s suggestion on the email list to try the suggested cocktail arrangement as an alternative to the dinner for two meetings, starting in Beijing, and then revisit the topic. It was agreed that this would be announced to the ccNSO community in Toronto, together with the background for the change.
7 Proposed changes to ccNSO Statement Guideline

Bart Boswinkel noted that Vika Mpisane had submitted some comments to the proposed Guideline changes and that those had been incorporated in the latest draft.

The Chair asked the Councillors to pass a resolution to adopt the amended guidelines.

*Resolution 77-02:*
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the amended ccNSO Statement Guidelines.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

8 Working Group Updates

8.1 Finance Working Group

Bart Boswinkel reported that the Finance Working Group had a call to brief the group about the meeting between Byron Holland, Roelof Meijer, Lesley Cowley and Xavier Calves on financial contributions. He noted that Byron had sought support from the Working Group on the way forward discussed with Xavier and that the topic would be further discussed in Toronto.

8.2 SOP Working Group

Roelof Meijer noted that not much activity had taken place in the SOP Working Group but that the members would review the recently published draft of the ICANN Strategic Plan.

8.3 Framework of Interpretation Working Group (FoI)

Keith Davidson reported that the FoI Working Group continues to make progress on the 'revocation' topic and that this item most likely would be finalized in Toronto. He further noted that the group had a couple of outstanding topics relating to the GAC and that these would be addressed as soon as possible.

8.4 Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN Working Group (JIG)

Jian Zhang reported that the JIG Working Group had decided to aim towards becoming a permanent working group that would provide regular input to ICANN staff on IDN implementation.

It was noted that a formal proposal would shortly be presented to the ccNSO and GNSO Councils.

8.5 Joint Security & Stability Working Group (DSSA)

Bart Boswinkel reminded the Council that the DSSA Working Group is looking for comments to their Phase 1 Report. He also reported that the group is looking at other groups and organisations involved in the same type of work to discover any overlaps.
8.6 Meetings Programme Working Group

Gabriella Schittek reported that the Meetings Programme Working Group is working to finalise the ccNSO Members Meeting agenda for Toronto. The Chair asked Gabi to share the agenda with the Council once a majority of the items had been confirmed.

*Action 77-03:*
Gabriella Schittek to share the draft ccNSO Members Meeting agenda with the Council as soon as a majority of the items had been confirmed.

8.7 Study Group on Use of Names for Countries and Territories

Young-Eum Lee reported that the Study Group is currently waiting for the results of the UNESCO survey in order to move the work forward.

8.8 Capacity Study Group

Fernando Espana reported that the Capacity Study Group is working with Bart Boswinkel and Gabriella Schittek to categorise incoming requests to the ccNSO. He noted that the group is making process but that it would not be finished by Toronto.

Other Updates:

8.9 ICANN Outreach Programme

Sokol Haxhiu reported that the ICANN Outreach Programme is working to improve the metrics for inreach and outreach and that they are also making a list of organisations that could be of assistance in the outreach work.

He noted that the discussions would continue in some form in Toronto.

8.10 Public Comments

Keith Davison noted that he would confer with Vika Mpisane on the recent ccNSO related public comment requests and brief the Council on the email list.

*Action 77-04:*
Keith Davidson to confer with Vika Mpisane on the recent ccNSO related public comment requests and share the information on the Council email list.

8.11 ICANN Academy Working Group

Hong Xue reported that the ICANN Academy Working Group decided to cancel the Pilot Leadership Project in Toronto due to lack of consensus regarding the curriculum. She noted that the Academy Working Group would have a meeting in Toronto to discuss the next steps.
9 Liaison Updates

9.1 At-Large

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for his report on ALAC activities. Ron added that since the report was sent the ALAC had submitted feedback to the SSAC report advising ICANN to prohibit dotless domains.

The Chair noted that the ccNSO Council would have a meeting with the ALAC in Toronto and asked the secretariat to confirm the date and time to Councillors.

Action 77-05:
The Secretariat to confirm the date and time for the ccNSO Council meeting with the ALAC in Toronto.

9.2 GNSO

The Chair reminded the Council about the written report sent to the email list by Han Chuan Lee.

10 Dates of Next Meetings

The Chair noted the dates of the next Council meetings:

- 17 October in Toronto
- 20 November (conference call)
- 11 December (conference call)

11 AOB

The Chair reported that ICANN is looking for topics for the Public Forum in Toronto. Gabriella Schittek noted that the two previous topics on government control and the future of DNSSEC could be resubmitted since they did not make the deadline for the forum in Prague. This was agreed but the Chair welcomed any suggestions on making these topics more specific.

The Chair noted that the usual Council preparatory meeting would be held in Toronto and that more information on this would follow.

Action 77-06:
The Secretariat to confirm the arrangements for a ccNSO Council preparatory meeting in Toronto.

The meeting closed.