

ccNSO Council Telephone Conference
10 December 2013

African Region

Abibu Ntahigiye, .tz

Asia-Pacific Region

Hiro Hotta, .jp

European Region

Lesley Cowley, .uk

Katrina Sasaki, .lv

Latin American and Caribbean Region

Victor Abboud, .ec

Margarita Valdes, .cl

North American Region

Becky Burr, .us

Byron Holland, .ca (Chair)

Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi

NomCom Appointees

Jordi Iparraguirre

Celia Lerman Friedman

Hong Xue

Regional Organisations

Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD

Barrack Otieno, AfTLD

Peter Van Roste, CENTR

Observers and Liaisons

John Berard GNSO liaison to the ccNSO

Patrick Meyers, ccNSO liaison to the GNSO

Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel

Kristina Nordström

Gabriella Schitteck

1 Apologies

Apologies for this meeting were received from Keith Davidson, Demi Getschko, Young-Eum Lee, Roelof Meyer and Vika Mpisane.

2 Minutes and Actions

Gabriella Schitteck reported on the outstanding actions from the last meeting:

Action 89-03:

The Chair to inform the CEO and President of ICANN of the adoption of the Guidelines for Voluntary Contributions of ccTLDs to ICANN.

The Chair reported that this action was completed.

Action 89-05:

The Chair to consult the other SO/AC Chairs to gain more clarity on the purpose of the 3 IG Tracks, and report back to the Council in two weeks time.

The Chair reported that this action was still in progress.

3 Selection Board Member, Seat 11

Bart Boswinkel noted that Gabriella Schitteck as election manager had sent the election report to the Council regarding Board seat nr 11 and that Chris Disspain had been nominated and seconded as the only candidate. He further noted that the Council would need to pass a resolution to formally select Chris for the Board seat.

Resolution 90-01:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to select Chris Disspain to fill ICANN Board Seat number 11 starting at the end of ICANN's Annual General Meeting in 2014 for a term of three years.

The Council requested its Chair to inform the ICANN Secretary accordingly.

The Council congratulated Chris on his nomination and selection and expressed its deep appreciation for his services to date on the ICANN Board of Directors.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Action 90-01:

The Chair to inform the ICANN Secretary about the appointment of Chris Disspain for Board seat nr 11.

4 Update Council Election FY 2014

Gabriella Schitteck reported that elections were ongoing in the African and European Regions, closing on the 13th of December, and that quorum had been met for both regions.

5 Internet Governance Fora

The Chair noted that a few people, including himself, had been selected to keep the Council updated on the developments of the 3 IG tracks and noted that the group would communicate through an informal email list.

Carolina Aguerre reported on the preparations for the Brazil meeting. It was also noted that Mathieu Weil would be invited to the next Council call to further update the Council.

6 Strawman ccNSO Working Group on Use of Country Names as TLD's

Bart Boswinkel reminded the Councillors of the recommendation by the Study Group on Use of Names for Countries and Territories to start a cross-community working group in order to further review the issues related to the use of country and territory names, and noted that a strawman had been sent to the Council for that purpose.

The Councillors agreed to share the strawman with the ALAC, GNSO and GAC for discussion and to invite them to participate in such a joint working group.

Action 90-02:

The Secretariat to share the strawman for a cross-community working group on the use of names for countries and territories with the ALAC, GNSO and GAC.

7 Recommendations Study Group Quorum Rule

Katrina Sataki gave a summary of the recommendations made by the Quorum Study Group in its final report.

The Council discussed the different reasons of why a member would not participate in a vote or an election.

Resolution 90-01:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to welcome the Final Report of the Quorum Study Group and the recommendations contained in it. The Council noted that implementation of some the recommendations, such as a change of the quorum rule on voting, will require a ccPDP, and others a change of the Rules of the ccNSO. The Council noted that changes of the Rules would coincide with changes to the Rules as a result of inclusion of the IDN ccTLD in the ccNSO, once the IDN ccPDP Recommendation will be adopted by the ICANN Board of Directors.

The Council requested its staff to report to the Council by its next meeting on the methods and requirements needed to implement the recommendations and consolidate the recommendations for change of the Rules of the ccNSO.

The Council thanked the members of the Study Group for their hard and timely work, and in particular thanked its chair, Katrina Sataki.

Action 90-03:

Katrina Sataki and the Secretariat to explain further on what the suggested changes to the bylaws would mean according to the Quorum Study Group recommendations

8 Review ccNSO Cocktail

The Chair noted that according to the Council decision to change the ccNSO dinner into a ccTLD cocktail, the decision should be reviewed after three such events.

The Chair expressed his support for the new format. Several Councillors agreed and noted the benefits of the cocktail, such as the ability to interact with more people and not having to deal with a ticket system.

Lesley Cowley suggested that the format should be reviewed again in one year. The Council agreed.

Resolution 90-02:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to requests staff to continue to organize social events using the format of a cocktail and to follow up on the concept in a year's time.

9 Council Updates

9.1 Chair Update

The Chair reported that he would participate in the 5th Strategy Panel and that he had initiated the email list for the 3 IG Tracks.

9.2 Vice-Chair Update

Since Keith Davidson was not present on the call no vice-chair update was provided.

9.3 Councilors Update

No Councillor updates were noted.

9.4 Regional Organisations Update

Peter Van Roste expressed frustration over the lack of ability to influence ICANN's work on regional strategies.

Carolina Aguerre reported that there would be a LACTLD meeting in January to discuss

strategies.

9.5 Staff Update

No updates were noted from the support staff.

10 Working Group and Other Updates

10.1 SOP Working Group

The Chair noted that Roelof Meijer was not present on the call and that no written report had been provided.

10.2 ICANN Academy

Hong Xue noted that no new developments had taken place in the ICANN Academy group since Buenos Aires.

11 Liaison Updates

The Chair thanked Patrick Myles (GNSO liaison) and Ron Sherwood (ALAC liaison) for their written reports to the Council and asked for questions or comments. No comments were noted.

12 Update Work Plan

Bart Boswinkel noted that the work plan had been updated to reflect the recent changes in the ccNSO work.

13 Dates of Next Meetings

The Secretariat presented the suggested dates for Council calls in 2014 and the Council agreed to change the regular day from a Tuesday to a Thursday. The Secretariat was asked to confirm the dates on the Council email list.

Action 90-04:

The Secretariat to confirm the dates for future Council calls on the email list

14 AOB

Dotty Sparks de Blanc asked the Council to consider the possibility to fund Council liaisons as a standard in order for them to be able to come to the meetings.

Gabriella Schitteck noted that this would be an issue for the Travel Fund Committee to discuss.

Lesley Cowley suggested that the Council should also discuss and define what is expected from the role as a liaison.

The Chair suggested that the discussion should be deferred to the next Council call.

Bart Boswinkel reported that Margie Milam from ICANN staff had asked for individual ccTLD input to the WHOIS expert study, and that he would forward her request to the email lists.

Action 90-05:

The Secretariat to distribute the request for individual ccTLD input on the WHOIS expert study on the community email lists.

Bart further noted that the Geographic Regions Working Group is looking for input to its final report and that he would prepare a template to express the ccNSO Council's support.

Action 90-06:

The Secretariat to prepare a template to express support for the Geographic Regions Working Group Report and send out to the Council for approval and further submission.

The meeting closed.