ccNSO Council Telephone Conference
17 April 2014

Attendees:

AF
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

AP
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Young-Eum Lee, .kr

EU
Nigel Roberts, .gg & .je
Katrina Sataki, .lv

LAC
Victor Abboud, .ec
Demi Getschko, .br
Margarita Valdes, .cl

NA
Becky Burr, .us

NomCom
Jordi Iparraguirre
Celia Lerman-Friedman
Hong Xue

Observers/Liaisons
John Berard, GNSO Liaison to the ccNSO
Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Observer to the ccNS
Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Observer to the ALAC

Regional Organisations
Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD
Don Hollander, APTLD
Barrack Otieno, AfTLD
Peter Van Roste, CENTR

ICANN Staff
Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schittek
1 Apologies

Apologies were noted from Lesley Cowley, Keith Davidson, Byron Holland, Patrick Myles and Abibu Ntahigiye.

Since the chair and second vice-chair were not present on the call the meeting was chaired by Katrina Sataki, first vice-chair.

2 Minutes and Actions

The Chair asked for comments to the minutes from 26 March. Peter Van Roste noted that he would like to make a change to the wording under agenda item 3 and the Secretariat noted that they would amend accordingly. The minutes were approved.

The Chair asked Kristina Nordström to run through the action items from the previous meeting.

Action 93-01: The Secretariat to call for volunteers for the Cross-Community Working Group to Develop a Framework of Operating Principles for Future Cross Community Working Groups (CWG-WG). This action was completed.

Action 93-02: The Secretariat to call for volunteers to the Cross-Community Working Group to Develop a Framework for the use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs (UCTN WG). This action was completed.

Action 93-08: The IANA Transfer Coordination Committee to draft a statement on behalf of the ccNSO regarding the current events around Internet Governance and circulate it to the Council prior to the next Council meeting. This action is still in progress.

3 Internet Governance Fora

3.1 Updates

• NETmundial Carolina Aguerre
Carolina Aguerre reported that the documents that would be discussed at the NETmundial meeting were published online and open for comments. Demi Getschko was not able to give an update due to audio issues and was instead asked by the Chair to send a written update to the Council email list.

Action 94-01: Demi Getschko to send an update to the Council email list on the developments around NETmundial.

• 5th Panel
Bart Boswinkel noted that there had not been much public activity of the 5th panel lately, however the panel would reconvene in early May in Dubai to discuss the outcomes of the NETmundial meeting as well as the comments received to the panel’s report.
• CCWG Internet Governance
Bart Boswinkel reported that the Cross-Community Working Group on Internet Governance had sought comments to its NETmundial statement during Singapore. He further noted that the group is currently working to finalise a charter, which would be submitted to the SO/ACs upon approval. He also added that as a result of thorough discussions it had decided that the IANA stewardship transition would not be included in the scope of this group.

4 IANA Transition Process
The Chair reported that ICANN had published some draft proposed agreements to the IANA stewardship transition process and that comments were due by 8th May.

Becky Burr took the Council through the response that the IANA Transfer Committee had drafted on behalf of the Council. Among other things she noted that the drafting team did not completely agree with ICANN regarding what topics should be out of scope in the transition agreement.

The Council discussed the best way for ccTLD representatives to be selected for participation in the ICANN transition process. Peter Van Roste noted that it is important that the ccTLDs that are not part of the ccNSO are not overlooked. It was noted that Don Hollander had raised a similar concern on the Council email list.

Bart Boswinkel suggested that he and Becky would look over the draft statement to include the comments raised and to send the new draft to the Council to the Council email list. Once approved by the Council it should be submitted to the ICANN public comment forum and shared with the ccTLD community. The Councillors agreed and thanked the drafting team for their effort.

Action 94-02:
Bart Boswinkel and Becky Burr to amend the draft statement by the IANA Transfer Coordination Committee to accommodate the comments made and to re-circulate it to the Council email list in order to submit it to ICANN prior to 8th May.

5 Adoption of Statement of Purpose Study Group “Quorum Rule”
The Chair reminded the Council of the report submitted by the Quorum Study Group and noted that one of the recommendations had been to launch a new group to clarify the options of the quorum rule issue. She further noted that the statement of purpose for the new group had been circulated on the Council email list, and asked the Council to pass a resolution to approve it.

Resolution 94-01:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the statement of purpose for the Quorum Interpretation Committee, which goal is to clarify the various options and their implication of “non-voting”, including abstaining from vote, are perceived by the community and recommend a further course of action to the council. Katrina Sataki was appointed Chair of the Quorum Interpretation Committee.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

The Chair noted that a call for volunteers would be sent out to the whole ccTLD community.
6 Appointment of Volunteers Cross Community Working Groups

6.1 Cross-Community Working Group on Use of Country/Territory Names as TLDs (UCTN)

The Chair noted that the UCTN Working Group had 16 volunteers from the ccNSO so far and that the call would close the following day.

Gabriella Schittek confirmed that there were no limits to the number of volunteers but noted that if the number would be very large some of the volunteers could be asked to join the group as observers instead of members.

Bart Boswinkel offered to approach the volunteers to assure that they would be prepared to invest the amount of time and effort needed for this group. He noted that the Secretariat would advise the Council on a way forward after the NETmundial meeting.

Action 94-03:
The Secretariat to investigate the options for limiting the number of Working Group members for the UCTN Working Group without excluding anyone and advise the Council on the email list subsequent to the NETmundial meeting.

6.2 Cross-Community Working Group for the Development of a Framework of Principles for Cross-Community Working Groups (CCWG-WG)

The Chair noted that the CCWG-WG had 5 volunteers so far and that the call for volunteer would be open one more day. Gabriella Schittek noted that the limit of volunteers for this group is 5 people.

7 Council Updates

6.1 Chair Update

Since Byron Holland was not present on the call no update was provided.

6.2 Vice-Chairs Update

The Chair reported that together with Gabriella Schittek she had compiled a list of ccTLDs including the different channels on how to reach them, partly in order to find out which ccTLDs cannot be reached at all.

She further reported that she had looked at how the ccNSO cooperate with its liaisons and noted that there is a need to understand what the expectations are from the liaison roles.

6.5 Staff Update

Bart Boswinkel noted that Gabriella Schittek had circulated a link to the new Internet Governance webpage at the ccNSO website and welcomed any suggestions on material that could be useful on the page.
8 Working Group and Other Updates

8.1 SOP Working Group
Bart Boswinkel reported that the chair of the SOP had recently started the process to submit comments to ICANN’s operational and strategic plan process, and that the Working Group would focus on this during May.

8.2 CRI Working Group
No progress noted since the Singapore meeting.

8.3 FoI Working Group
No progress noted since the Singapore meeting.

8.4 CCWG-WG Draft Charter
Becky Burr reported that the charter for the Cross-Community Working Group on Cross-Community Working Group Principles was finalised in Singapore, and that the GNSO was still to appoint their members of the group.

8.5 Meeting Programme Working Group
The Chair reported that the Meetings Programme Working Group is currently focusing on responding to the ccNSO meeting feedback. She noted that the group would have its first call in two weeks to start planning the meeting agenda for London.

9 Liaison Updates
The Chair thanked the ALAC and GNSO liaisons for their written reports. No further comments were noted.

10 Update Work Plan
Bart Boswinkel reported that he had sent the monthly version of the Work Plan update to the Council and that the other overall Work Plan based on the outcomes of the Council Workshop in Singapore would follow shortly.

11 Date of Next Meetings
The Chair reminded the Councillors about the upcoming Council meetings:

22 May 12.00 UTC
25 June 16.00 Local London time
21 August 12.00 UTC
12 AOB

The Chair thanked everyone for joining the call.

The meeting closed.