

DAY 1

Tuesday, 14 March 2017

Introduction to the ccNSO Members Meeting

Opening and welcome by the chair of the ccNSO, the local host, and the chair of the ccNSO meeting programme working group. Introduction to the schedule of the ccNSO Member days: What to expect in the next 2 days?

ccNSO Working Group Updates

- **Update by the Guidelines Review Committee ([GRC](#))**
The purpose of the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) is to review the current guidelines and to ascertain whether they reflect current practices and working methods, identify potential gaps, and based on this analysis propose changes to the current ccNSO guidelines to the Council. Documents, meeting recordings, and additional information of the Committee can be found on its [wiki space](#).
- **Update by the CWG on the use of country & territory names as TLDs ([CWG UCTN](#))**
The Group will recommend that 2-character codes (in ASCII) should remain reserved for use as ccTLDs. Further, the WG has analysed the community feedback on 3-character codes. The CWG-UCTN subsequently developed its Interim Paper for public comment, which includes the findings, observations and views of the members, including the view of the group that for various reasons a harmonized framework for the use of country, territory and other geographic names is not feasible. The assessment whether such a framework is feasible is the first task of the group per its [Charter](#). The comment period will remain open well beyond ICANN58.
- **Update by the Strategic and Operational Planning ([SOP](#)) WG**
The goal of the SOP Working Group is to coordinate and organise participation of ccTLD managers in ICANN's Strategic and Operational planning processes.
- **Update by the [TLD-OPS](#) standing committee**
TLD-OPS is the incident response community for and by ccTLDs and brings together folks who are responsible for the overall security and stability of their ccTLD. The goal of the TLD-OPS community is to enable ccTLD operators worldwide to collaboratively strengthen their incident response capabilities.
- **Update by the cross-community working group New gTLD Auction Proceeds ([CCWG Auction Proceeds](#))**
The new gTLD Program established auctions as a mechanism of last resort to resolve string contention. Most string contentions have been resolved through other means before reaching an auction conducted by ICANN's authorized auction service provider. However, it was recognized from the outset that significant funds could accrue because of several auctions. As such, these auction proceeds have been reserved and earmarked until the Board authorizes a plan for the appropriate use of the funds. Board, staff, and community are expected to be

working together in designing and participating in the next steps addressing the use of new gTLD auction proceeds. It should be recognized though that these proceeds are to be considered as an exceptional, one-time source of revenue.

The ccNSO Council adopted the charter of the CCWG new gTLD Auction Proceeds and by adopting is participating as one of the chartering organisations. Some ccTLDs have extensive experience in dealing with funds such as the auction proceeds and this experience could be beneficial to the process.

Joint meeting between the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) and the country code Name Supporting Organisation (ccNSO)

Agenda topics might include:

- Update regarding the work of the CWG on the use of country & territory names as TLDs (CWG UCTN)
- Update on the ccNSO Policy development process to develop recommended policies regarding the retirement of ccTLDs and an Appeals Mechanism on issues of delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs

Session with the ccNSO appointed ICANN Board Members

The ICANN Board of Directors consists of sixteen voting directors, including two directors nominated by the ccNSO . These seats on the Board are referred to in the ICANN Bylaws as Seat 11 and Seat 12, and are respectively occupied by Chris Disspain and Mike Silber.

Joint meeting ICANN Board and ccNSO

The agenda is currently being defined.

Policy Development Process: Retirement of ccTLD and Review Mechanism for the decisions on delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs

Formal ccNSO Policy development process to develop recommended policies regarding the retirement of ccTLDs and an Appeals Mechanism on issues of delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs. To date there is no relevant policy, and with the completed IANA transition the ccTLD community believes the policies need to be in place. At ICANN56 in Helsinki, the ccNSO Council requested an issue report. ([ccNSO council decision 12007](#)) A drafting team has prepared the charters for 2 working groups under the ccNSO [policy development process](#): one charter on the development of a review mechanism for the decisions on delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs, and the

second one on the retirement of ccTLDs. The major tasks of the drafting team were to scope the issues to be addressed and to define the working methods. The results have been included in the Issue Report, which will be presented to the community in Copenhagen, and then to the ccNSO Council for adoption.

ICANN Update

- **IDN Programme Update**

ICANN has instituted the [IDN Program](#) to assist in the development and promotion of a multilingual Internet using Internationalised Domain Names (IDNs). The program is primarily focused on the planning and implementation of IDN top-level domains (TLDs), include IDN country code TLDs and generic TLDs. The IDN Program also supports projects geared towards effective use of IDNs at the second-level of the Domain Name System, as guided by the community.

- **Update by the Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice (CCT) Review Team**

As part of its [Affirmation of Commitments](#) with the U.S. Department of Commerce, ICANN has committed to conducting a regular review of how the New gTLD Program has impacted competition, consumer choice and consumer trust.

- **ccNSO Review**

According to ICANN Bylaws section 4.4 (a) Section 4.4(a), calls for a periodic review “of the performance and operation of each Supporting Organization, each Supporting Organization Council,by an entity or entities independent of the organization under review.” As per the Bylaws, the goal of these reviews shall be “to determine:

- (i) whether that organization, council or committee has a continuing purpose in the ICANN structure,
- (ii) (if so, whether any change in structure or operations is desirable to improve its effectiveness and
- (iii) whether that organization, council or committee is accountable to its constituencies, stakeholder groups, organizations and other stakeholders”.

These Organizational Reviews “shall be conducted no less frequently than every five years, based on feasibility as determined by the Board. Each five-year cycle will be computed from the moment of the reception by the Board of the final report of the relevant review Working Group.” The Organizational Effectiveness Committee of the Board (OEC), previously known as the Structural Improvements Committee (SIC), is engaged in the process from the Board side.

It is the understanding that the 2nd ccNSO review will be kicked off at its earliest in July 2017.

For further information see: [https://www.icann.org/resources/reviews/org\[icann.org\]](https://www.icann.org/resources/reviews/org[icann.org])

For Information on the 1st review see: [https://www.icann.org/resources/reviews/org/ccnso\[icann.org\]](https://www.icann.org/resources/reviews/org/ccnso[icann.org])

Legal Session

The focus of this interactive session will be the take down of domain names, and how various stakeholders, including ccTLD registries, hosters/registrars and authorities, address requests from law enforcement.

DAY 2

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

Accountability Framework and Exchange of Letters

The Accountability Framework (AF) program provides two mechanisms by which ccTLD managers can formalise their relationship with ICANN. The first is an Accountability Framework document that sets out the obligations of a ccTLD manager and ICANN. It also covers dispute resolution and termination and is designed for ccTLD managers requiring a formal document with ICANN. The second mechanism is an Exchange of Letters between ICANN and the ccTLD manager designed for those for whom a statement of commitments is more appropriate. Signed accountability framework and exchange of letters documents can be found at <http://www.icann.org/en/cctlds/agreements.html>.

Update by the Regional Organisations

- AFTLD - Barrack Otieno
- APTLD - Leonid Todorov
- CENTR - Peter van Roste: "CENTR will present on growth trends in the European ccTLD landscape. During this presentation we'll look into the effects of the introduction of new gTLDs, market shares and annual and seasonal trends. We also explore the underlying factors of growth and discuss possible actions to stabilise ccTLD revenues."
- LACTLD - Andrés Piazza

Update and next steps ICANN Accountability

This session aims to inform the community present on the implementation of [Work Stream 1](#) (focused on mechanisms enhancing ICANN accountability that must be in place or committed to within the time frame of the IANA Stewardship Transition), and updates will be given on [Work Stream 2](#) (focused on addressing accountability topics for which a timeline for developing solutions and full implementation may extend beyond the IANA Stewardship Transition), and the work by the [ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee](#). The ccNSO further explores its own accountability and transparency.

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| <i>1. WS1 recommendations: current state of affairs implementation and next steps</i> | <i>2. WS2 update: specifics as to SO/AC accountability</i> |
| 1.1. Empowered Community & Administrative Committee (EC/AC) | 2.1. Intro, reminder of scope and overall progress |
| 1.2. ccNSO guidelines & ccNSO accountability | 2.2. Jurisdiction questionnaire |
| 1.3. specific reviews & operating standards | 2.3. Transparency draft recommendations |
| 1.4. Q&A | 2.4. Good Faith draft recommendations |
| | 2.5. Timeline overview |
| | 2.6. Q&A |

ccTLD News Session

- ***The development of IDN .vn domain names: Phan Nguyen Ngoc Anh (.vn)***
From April of 2011, VNNIC have allocated free and unlimited registration in the IDN.vn. Under this policy, the IDN .vn domain names reached 1 million registrations in July, 2014. However, from January 1st, 2017, when the new circular would come into effect, the IDN.vn will be officially charged a minor fee for renewal in order to recover management cost. Through this presentation, we expect to share our “story” about the development of IDN .vn domain names to community.
- ***.africa delegation: Lucky Masilela (.za Central Registry)***
Focus of this presentation is on the domain name growth and the attributes for the same, including updates on the DNSSEC signing project.
- ***Promotion Chinese E-mail Address Internationalisation: Ian Chiang (.tw)***
- ***Registries from south-eastern Europe: working together: Barbara Povše (.si)***
ccTLD registries in south-eastern Europe are cooperating more and more. On March 8th third Regional Internet Forum will be held in Belgrade. RIF will gather regional national domain name registries and organisations closely connected to the issue of domains (state regulatory bodies for telecommunications, CERTs and other Internet security organisations, registrars, and interested internet communities). Barbara is chairing the Program Committee and will give a report.
- ***The registry of the future: Cristian Hesselman (.nl)***
SIDN Labs recently wrote a paper that discusses SIDN's technical vision on what they call “the registry of the future”. The paper is here: [https://www.sidnlabs.nl/downloads/papers-reports/sidnlabs-commag.pdf\[sidnlabs.nl\]](https://www.sidnlabs.nl/downloads/papers-reports/sidnlabs-commag.pdf[sidnlabs.nl]) The paper appeared in the IEEE Communications Magazine, which is a highly selective peer-reviewed magazine that publishes research from industry and academia.

Customer Standing Committee (CSC) & Root zone Evolution Review Committee (RZERC) Update

- **CSC**
The Customer Standing Committee ([CSC](#)) provides operational oversight on the IANA naming function as performed by Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) since the transition of the IANA Stewardship. Background on the committee, along with transcripts of its meetings and the monthly reports on the PTI performance can be found [here](#).
- **RZERC**
ICANN has established a Root Zone Evaluation Review Committee to review and provide input regarding proposed architectural and operational changes to the root zone and as determined necessary by the RZERC, propose architectural and operational changes to the root zone for consideration by the ICANN Board.
The RZERC will consider issues raised to the RZERC to identify any potential security, stability or resiliency risks to the architecture and operation of the root zone.

More background information on RZERC can be found at: <https://www.icann.org/en/stewardship-implementation/formation-of-a-root-zone-evolution-review-committee-rzerc>

- **PTI, to present on the IANA Services to the ccNSO**

The "Post-Transition IANA" organization, filed under the name Public Technical Identifiers (PTI), is performing the IANA functions pursuant to an IANA Naming Functions Contract with ICANN and subcontracts with ICANN for the performance of the numbering and protocol parameter services.

CROSS-COMMUNITY TOPIC

Thursday, 16 March 2017

Cross-community session: Towards a data driven ICANN

Data analytics is a globally important emerging area that organisations around the world are embracing to help them deliver their mission better. A whole ecosystem of data sources, analytics tools and techniques for extracting data insights was built. In the ICANN context, the use of data has the potential to drive:

1. Evidence based policy.
2. Organisational/community development.
3. Cleaner and safer DNS.
4. Business - more, new, better
5. Public trust.

ICANN has already begun work on some initiatives in this area, but a strategic theme around data is missing. This session aims to explain what is considered best practice and to help prioritising. Jay Daley (.nz) is leading this session on behalf of the ccNSO, together Jonathan Zuck (GNSO).