

ccNSO Council Call

23 August 2005

Participants

Chris Disspain (Chair)
Victor Ciza
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Mohammed El Bashir
Hirofumi Hotta
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Bart Vastenburg
Olivier Guillard
Ondrej Filip
Patricio Poblete
Eduardo Santoyo
Dotty Sparks de Bank
Bernard Turcotte
Fernando Espana
Yassim Mshana
Eva Frölich
Charles Shaban
Donna Austin

Apologies

Oscar Robles-Garay

1. Structure for future conference calls

It was agreed that the basic structure will be for an update from the working group (WG) chairs and then discussion other general items.

ACTION: Donna to send out proposed schedule for the 12 weeks out and confirm best time to commence meetings.

2. Update from working group chairs

ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORKS

Hiro advised that the working group was considering an alternative way forward as proposed by CD in a recent email as a result of a series of discussions with Paul Twomey.

The alternative suggested was to remove the issues causing much discussion and not much resolution such as jurisdiction, arbitration, termination etc. from any document and agree to a set of responsibilities ICANN and the cc manager would agree to.

Discussion about whether it was necessary to include a commitment to pay a fee to ICANN in the document. The concern being that once this was included it does become a contract.

An additional alternative was suggested along the lines that the ccNSO develop something akin to an RFC that they would sign on to and ICANN would do something similar. Two signatures would not be on the same piece of paper and it would be like signing on to a petition, or a code of conduct.

Agreed that CD would send the email sent to the WG to Council for consideration and the WG could consider the other alternatives proposed as well. The AF WG will have a conference call next Tuesday.

ACTION: CD to send email to Council members. AF WG to provide update at next call.

BUDGET

Eva advised that the WG went on vacation. Donna trying to organize a meeting with ICANN staff and members of the WG within the next 2-3 weeks to move discussions forward.

The role of the Budget WG is to find out how much the cc's collectively should pay ICANN. Agreed in Luxembourg that we are paying into an international organization with costs that are difficult to define.

Young Eum Lee advised that the general feeling is that ICANN does not expect too much from the ccNSO in the BAG. We ask questions and that's it, many common questions of which there are sometimes answers sometimes not.

Dotty asked with respect to ICANN's email seeking commitments, who should the reply be sent to and the cheque made out to.

ACTION: Donna to find out who and advise members.

FEES APPORTIONMENT

Chris advised that he is waiting on responses to his email seeking advice on whether the work of this group should continue or should await the out come of the Budget WG. Early indications are that the work should continue.

IANA

Bernie advised that ICANN has been looking for a replacement for Doug Barton. He is expecting to speak with Barbara Roseman today and he is reasonably happy with lines of communication such as they are at the moment.

Paul Twomey and Kurt Pritz are keeping a daily watch on the situation. Chris advised that ICANN realized that one of the reasons the time to resolve requests was so long was because any communication commenced ticketing regardless of accuracy of request.

SECRETARIAT

Chris advised that bids close on 26 August and he understands there are a few expected.

3. ccPDP

Chris advised that the Initial Report is now available and comments are being sought. He did ask that all members make an effort and provide comments on the issues raised. This is an opportunity to stand our ground on a number of issues and this should not proceed by default because of no comments. He advised that he will be submitting comments as .au manager.

4. New gTLDs

The gNSO and ICANN are setting up a process for new gTLDs and want the ccNSO involved because some new gTLDs can have effects on ccTLDs eg. .asia This issue is just being flagged as an issue at this stage.

5. WSIS

Chris has agreed to go to WSIS Prepcom in Geneva on the understanding that proper meetings will be set up and he will be making presentations. Sees this as an opportunity to promote the independence of cc managers.

He noted that so far the most interesting response is from the USG which seems to indicate that we don't care what you decide we're not letting go.

Would be worthwhile for members attending to meet/discuss beforehand to work out a plan for getting the best out the meeting.

ACTION: Chris to send a note to members to find out who will be attending.

6. Interaction with CENTR

As a number of members concerned with this issue had dropped off the call it was agreed that this issue be discussed at the next call as the CENTR meeting was not until 29-30 September. The aim of the exercise is to have a good briefing available on what the ccNSO is doing and deliver this message at the CENTR meeting. Giovanni offered to put a ccNSO update segment on the agenda, but Chris requested to hold off on this until after the next conference call.

Other business

Meeting closed UTC 12.20