

**ccNSO Council Meeting
17 December 2020**

Attendees:

AF

Biyi Oladipo, .ng
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci
Abdalla Omari, .ke

AP

Ai Chin Lu, .tw
Jordan Carter, .nz
Young Eum Lee, .kr

EU

Katrina Sataki, .lv
Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk

LAC

Alejandra Reynoso, .gt
Demi Getschko, .br
Byron Holland, .ca

NA

Pablo Rodriguez, .pr
Stephen Deerhake, .as
Byron Holland, .ca

NomCom

Laura Margolis
Javier Rua-Jovet
Marie-Noémie Marques

Liaisons/Observers

Barrack Otieno
Maarten Simon

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel - apologies
Kim Carlson
Joke Braeken

1. Welcome and roll call

Stephen Deerhake raised a point of order regarding the agenda. He noted it was unprecedented the Council would select a Board member in a private, non-public session. From a transparency standpoint, the “extraordinary” part of the agenda should not be private, and the Chair should be allowed to remain on the call.

Bart Boswinkel added this follows what was done during previous calls [having a closed session when discussing the nominations].

Byron Holland, as the designated chair [for the extraordinary session], stated he had no objection to having this public, recorded and documented.

Members of the Council voiced no objections to having this portion of the call open and recorded [and Katrina remaining in attendance].

2. Minutes & Action Items

The Chair of the ccNSO reviewed Action Items.

Apologies received: Giovanni Seppia, .eu

3. Intermeeting decisions

The Chair of the ccNSO reviewed intermeeting decision.

Action Item 166-01:

GRC to include note on definition of plurality in relevant guidelines.

4. Appointment new members SOPC

RESOLUTION 166-01:

The ccNSO Council appoints Madison Wang(.cn), Nicolas Lisse (.na), David McAuley (.cc), James Shady (.au) as members of the SOPC. The secretariat is requested to inform the SOPC and new members accordingly and update the listing of the membership

Moved by Stephen Deerhake

Seconded by Jordan Carter

Passed unanimously

Action Item 166-02:

Secretariat to inform SOPC and new members of appointments (listing, consent, etc.)

5. ccPDP 3

a. Part 1 Retirement – Update

Stephen Deerhake reviewed the progress of the working group. The group will reconvene to review the final paper. After review, the paper will then be submitted to the Issue Manager.

b. Part 2 Review Mechanism –Update

Stephen Deerhake noted the group has finalized the terms [parameters] spreadsheet. Close to starting to draft actual language and the need to get Legal involvement.

Jordan Carter asked if there would be an IRP-style process to be the review mechanism. Stephen Deerhake noted it is not the intent of the group to use an IRP structure.

6. IDN ccPDP4: Update

Bart Boswinkel provided an update. He stated the selection of IDN ccTLDs contains three chapters. Overall principles, criteria and process and procedures. The group has completed their work on principles. In January, they expect to launch a subgroup. They are making gradual progress, with a good working environment, precipitated by the chair and vice-chair.

7. Selecting members for the Community Representatives Group, which will select the Independent Review Process (IRP) Standing Panel.

The Chair of the ccNSO reminded Council of the ICANN Org call for volunteers. She noted there has been one candidate seeking ccNSO endorsement.

8. ccNSO Meeting Strategy & ICANN70

The Chair of the ccNSO Council stated the Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) reviewed the Org proposal – and collected community feedback. The feedback is almost complete [on Google Drive] and Council review is sought.

The Chair also briefly highlighted parts of the proposed strategy as well as the feedback to date.

Bart Boswinkel suggested inclusion of summary in the annex.

Action Item 166-03:

Council to submit feedback to Google Doc on the future meeting strategies – Bart to add summary to document annex

9. Update ccNSO Review

The Chair of the ccNSO Council discussed the letter from the ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee with questions on progress.

Stephen Deerhake added the “tone” of the letter seemed odd.

Alejandra Reynoso noted she was surprised since the Council has explained their response a number of times before.

Jordan Carter also questioned the “tone” of the letter, asking questions that have been answered multiple times before.

Nick Wenban-Smith added he does not think [they] think the Council have done a very good job responding to the review – and wants a “fuller” explanation of why 100% of the recommendations were not accepted. He agrees with the others and believes the letter was “grumpy” in tone. He added, as far as he’s concerned, the ccNSO does not have to accept all the recommendations.

The Chair added she does not understand why the ccNSO should explain those recommendations that are for ICANN Org to implement.

Action Item 166-04:

Council to draft response to the ICANN Board Org Effectiveness Committee letter

10. Update ccNSO Statement procedure regarding the Amendment of Article 10 ICANN Bylaws

Ai Chin Lu updated the Council noting the Council will soon receive the proposed draft to approve.

11. Update ECA & CSC

- a. ECA (Informational) – Stephen Deerhake stated the ECA will start work regarding PTI budget approval (January/February).
- b. CSC (Informational) – Alejandra Reynoso noted (PTI) was 100% of SLAs met.

12. Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councillors, RO’s and Secretariat

Written updates received.

13. Update WGs

- a. SOPC – as noted above, Council has approved new members.
- b. GRC – Group has reviewed their workplan. They are working on a consolidated guideline.
- c. MPC – waiting to see outcome of proposed strategy for ICANN70.
- d. IGLC – will seek new volunteers.

14. Update liaisons

- a. Update ALAC Liaison (written update circulated)
- b. Update GNSO Liaison (written update circulated)

15. Meetings

Next Council Meetings

- January 21 – 12:00 UTC
- February 18 – 20:00 UTC
- March (ICANN70 TBD)
- April 22 – 12:00 UTC
- May 20 – 18:00 UTC

The Chair of the ccNSO Council stated a workshop would be scheduled prior to ICANN70 [date unclear]. Jordan Carter will provide a summary of the last workshop. Discussion continues on how to make these sessions more interactive.

Action Item 166-05:

Council to share ideas, preferred dates, etc. regarding upcoming Council Workshop

16. AOB

17. Council meeting Board Seat 12 Nomination Process 2021

Byron Holland chaired this portion of the meeting. Katrina Sasaki (recused).

Byron Holland highlighted the key issues the Council has addressed during this election process.

Stephen Deerhake stated the Council has not seen the [actual] email from Bryon to Legal and has asked that be circulated.

RESOLUTION 166-02:

The ccNSO Council adopts the Nomination Report, including the advice on how to resolve the issues identified by the Nomination Manager, and requests the GRC to review and propose an update of the Guideline: ccNSO Nominations process Board seats 11 and 12 (22 August 2019) if considered necessary to address Issues i – iii identified by the Nomination Manager accordingly and prior to the anticipated upcoming Nomination Process. The ccNSO Council notes that issue iv identified is being addressed as part of the ongoing GRC work with respect to role of the ccNSO as Decisional Participant.

The Council notes and concurs with the observations of the Nomination Manager.

The ccNSO Council thanks Joke Braeken for her work as Nomination Manager and her hard work during that time.

Moved by Margarita Valdes
Seconded by Pablo Rodriguez
Passed unanimously

RESOLUTION. 166-03:

In accordance with section 10.3 (i) of the ICANN Bylaws, the ccNSO Council formally nominates Katrina Sasaki, .lv, EU region, to be designated by the Empowered Community Administrative Committee to fill ICANN Board Seat number 12 starting at the end of ICANN's Annual General Meeting in 2021 for a term of three years.

The ccNSO Council requests its specially designated Chair Byron Holland to inform the Empowered Community Administration, ICANN Secretary, and Chair of the ICANN Board of the

nomination of Katrina as soon as this resolution becomes effective at which time the Nomination Process is formally closed as well.

The Council congratulates Katrina and wholeheartedly thanks Nigel Roberts for standing as a candidate.

Moved by Jordan Carter
Seconded by Margarita Valdes
Passed unanimously

RESOLUTION 166-04:

The ccNSO Council requests the ccNSO Guideline Review Committee to develop and propose internal procedures pertaining to perceived and or possible conflicts of interest, taking into account general principles of fairness and accountability. The GRC is strongly recommended to look at and build on ICANN's Conflict of Interest Policy (2018) and consult ICANN in the process. The secretariat is requested to inform the GRC on behalf of Council and publish this resolution as soon as possible.

Moved by Alejandra Reynoso
Seconded by Stephen Deerhake
Passed unanimously

Action Item 166-08:

Secretariat to publish ICANN Board Nomination resolution as soon as possible

Action Item 166-09:

Specially designated Chair Byron Holland to inform the ECA, ICANN Secretariat and ICANN Board of nomination of Katrina Sasaki to the ICANN Board.

Action Item 166-10:

Secretariat to publish resolution regarding GRC and Conflict of Interest policy as soon as possible.

18. Closure of meeting