ccNSO Council Meeting
16 December 2021

Attendees:

AF
Biyi Oladipo, .ng
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

AP
Ai Chin Lu, .tw
Jiankang Yao, .cn
Jordan Carter, .nz

EU
Irina Danelia, .ru
Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk
Giovanni Seppia, .eu

LAC
Alejandra Reynoso, .gt
Jenifer Lopez, .pa
Demi Getschko, .br

NA
Stephen Deerhake, .as
Sean Copeland, .vi
Pablo Rodriguez, .pr

NomCom
Tatiana Tropina
Marie-Noemi Marques
Javier Rua Jovet

Liaisons/Observers
Barrack Otieno

Guests:
Katrina Sataki, David McAuley, Svitlana Tkachenko, Hadia El Miniawi

ICANN Staff
Bart Boswinkel
Kim Carlson
Claudia Ruiz
Joke Braeken

1. Welcome and roll call
Welcome and introduction - Chair of the ccNSO Council Alejandra Reynoso.

Review of agenda
Reminder of "housekeeping" items

Apologies: Chris Disspain
No show, no call: Ali Hadji Mmadi, .km

2. Relevant Correspondence (https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/statements.htm)
No correspondence to review

3. Minutes & Action Items

Minutes Meeting 177, circulated and published
Review of action items and to-do's
The Chair of the ccNSO Council made note it was decided ICANN73 would be fully remote and would not include a hybrid element. Additionally, there would be a strategic workshop in February [2022].

4. Intermeeting Decisions (since meeting 177 October 2021)

Item 5-9 Written updates unless special developments Council needs to be aware of and Q&A

5. Update ECA & CSC (written updates)

6. Update WGs taken (written updates)

7. Updates ccPDPs (written updates)
• Update ccPDP3 - Review Mechanism
The Chair of the ccNSO Council remarked that ccPDP Retirement is now open for public comment (in accordance with ICANN Bylaws) and will remain open until mid-January 2022. Additionally, the bylaws request the Board to ask for GAC advice.

• Update IDN ccPDP4

8. Update liaisons
• Update ALAC Liaison (written update)
• Update GNSO Liaison (written update)

9. Update Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councilors, RO's and Secretariat

The Chair of the ccNSO Council indicated the implementation review dashboard has been updated. She further noted she attended a SOAC chair/vice chairs roundtable. The topic of the implementation of a Work Stream 2 coordination group. During the call, it appeared those in attendance were in favor of a coordination group, but an official decision has not yet been made.

Pablo Rodriguez added there was some discussion on the impact of COVID-19 and finding ways to move forward.

Item 10 - 21 for discussion during the meeting

10. Selection Members panel ICANN Excellence Award 2022
The Chair of the ccNSO Council reminded Council of the requirement to appoint members to service on this panel. Stephen Deerhake and Margarita Valdes are the current members. A call for volunteers has been made and appointments to be made by mid-January [2022].

The Chair of the ccNSO thanked the current members for their service on this panel.

11. Update on changes to ccNSO ICANN Learn
Svitlana Tkachenko provided an update, noting two main target audiences: "newcomers" those who have never participated in ccNSO activities (including new ccTLD staff, etc.) and those from other ICANN communities who have some knowledge/expectations of the ccNSO [which are either wrong or incomplete]. The committee is trying to make the course easier, including making the bylaws easier to understand. She also noted it may be useful to review/update the course once a year. The aim is having the course eventually translated in the various languages ICANN provides translations in.

12. Closure special Council Elections European region
Joke Braeken provided an update to the election process, including observations regarding questions around the candidate's affiliation.

RESOLUTION 178-01
The ccNSO Council adopts the Council Special Election Report for the European region FY 2022, notes the observations, and thanks Joke Braeken for her work as the Special Election Process Manager. By this adoption the Special Election Process for the European Region FY 2022 is closed.

The ccNSO Council congratulates Chris Disspain, who will take his seat on 1 January 2022.

Action Item 178-01:
The chair of the ccNSO is requested to inform the ICANN Secretary and Chris accordingly.

Moved by Pablo Rodriguez
Seconded by Javier Rua Jovet
Passed unanimously

13. Closure Council Elections 2022

Joke Braeken provided an update to the election process, noting nominations and secondments for all four regions – AP with two candidates requiring an election.

RESOLUTION 178-02:

The ccNSO Council adopts the Council Election Report FY 2022, notes the observations, and thanks Joke Braeken for her work as Election Process Manager. By this adoption the election process 2022 is closed.

The ccNSO Council congratulates the elected candidates:

· AF region: Biyi Oladipo (.ng)
· AP region: Jordan Carter (.nz)
· EU region: Nick Wenban-Smith (.uk)
· LAC Region: Demi Gethschko (.br)
· NA Region: Pablo Rodriguez (.pr)

Moved by Pablo Rodriguez
Seconded by Irina Danelia
Passed unanimously

Action Item 178-02:

The Chair of the ccNSO is requested to inform the ICANN Secretary and candidates accordingly.

14. Appointment Chris Disspain to the Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)
For decision

RESOLUTION 178-03:

The ccNSO Council appoints Chris Disspain as member of the SOPC. The Council requests the secretariat to inform both the chair of the SOPC accordingly and Chris accordingly.

Moved by Irina Danelia
Seconded by Stephen Deerhake
Passed unanimously

Action Item 178-03:

The Council requests the secretariat to inform both the chair of the SOPC accordingly and Chris accordingly.

Giovanni Seppia offered insight on being chair of the SOPC. The position will be "quite a commitment" and will require time monthly to review different documents and updates shared by the ICANN Planning team. This role will also require a lot of patience to ensure sufficient coordination to provide the necessary input and feed it into the public comments.

Several Council members offered their thanks to Giovanni for his service to the SOPC and wished him lunch on future endeavors.

The Chair of the ccNSO encouraged those Councilors who are members of the SOPC to support the new chair [if they do not take on this role themselves].

15. Update re-design process ccNSO Website
The Chair of the ccNSO Council provided an update on a "kick-off" call that was held with ICANN staff, which included homework for the small group.

The homework asked to identify and prioritize content that should be migrated to the new site. The small group instead decided to identify various users (or profiles of users) on how they use the website and what they potentially would like to see [on the future site]. The small group conducted several interviews, which are ongoing. Once completed, further analysis will be made, and prioritizations will be identified.

The Chair of the ccNSO Council added the timing of eventual launch of the new website will not happen as quickly as previously believed. ICANN is waiting on this audit taxonomy process that they are doing within the content of the [current] ccNSO website – this includes tagging each document to make it searchable. This should be ready by June.

The small group will continue to meet with the ICANN web team for updates and discussions on features and functionalities of the future site.

16. Progress process to change the Rules of the ccNSO: next steps and what can Council expect?
The Chair of the ccNSO Council provided an update noting there was a recent webinar where the GRC rules subgroup asked the community for final input and feedback (on the draft rules) by 23 December. The Council should expect to see the proposed text in January. Once Council adopts it – it will then be sent for a member vote (February). The new draft must be circulated 21 days before actual vote begins. Voting stays open for 14 days. Right now, the requirements are that the supermajority [66%] of the votes cast needs to be in favor. [We] need at least 50% of the membership to vote. And if the quorum is not met, then we have a second round with no quorum

David McAuley (chair of the GRC SG) offered additional clarification – which he will also circulate to members of the subgroup. When the vote is for picking a Board member, the consequences of failure to reach a quorum will not apply. That is, the members will continue to retain ultimate control over selection of Board members.

The Chair of the ccNSO thanked David for his work and guidance on this important subgroup.

17. Review of Charters WG and Committees: next steps
Stephen Deerhake shared that a "replacement draft" is being worked on because the current draft is out of date. The new draft has been circulated to the chair, but no feedback has been received. If no feedback is received, the draft will be circulated to the entire Tech Working Group.

To do: Stephen Deerhake to share the proposed draft to the entire Tech WG and provide Council the final proposal at the January meeting.

The Chair of the ccNSO Council reminded Council they should have received a list of working groups/committees and their review due dates.

Stephen Deerhake suggested staggering review dates.

Sean Copeland agreed with the staggered approach because of the workload of volunteers and staff.

Bart Boswinkel suggested there is a difference between review and update. Review is whether the purpose still fits with the activities of the working group and determination if an update is required.

Nick Wenban-Smith suggests this should be an automatic process that should be flagged six months prior to the review date (process TBD). The idea is for the chair of each group to know well in advance that a review is coming up and can schedule it as part of their regular work.

To Do: Tracking and maintenance of the list of working groups/committees and their review due dates by Secretariat

18. ccNSO and DNS Abuse: what should the ccNSO do?
Tatiana Tropina presented the results of the small group that is working on – what the ccNSO should do in terms of DNS abuse and review of results of the ICANN72 session [priorities] and the November workshop for Council and the cctld community.

During the workshop, attendees were asked to identify which of the suggestions at the ICANN 72 sessions match in terms of high or low effort and high or low benefit. This matrix was the first step for the small group to think about how to move forward. Some "low hanging fruit" (high benefit/low effort) were identified as well as big bets – requiring high effort but will also have high value/benefit.

Nick Wenban Smith added that things that are already being done like education and reminders that ccTLDS are gTLDs should be properly distinguished.

The Chair of he ccNSO Council stated there is also discussion on the creation of a TLD abuse working group.

19. ICANN73 Meetings
The Chair of the ccNSO Council reviewed potential sessions.

She noted the importance of having the Council prep meeting. In this session, Council roles and responsibilities will be agreed upon and adopted at the ICANN73 Council meeting [this also

includes annual election of the chair and vice chairs]. There will also be an initial presentation of the ccNSO work plan.

The Council also noted their preference for having a meeting with ccNSO-related/interested Board members versus a meeting with the full ICANN Board.

The Chair of the ccNSO Council reminded Councilors of the need to fill the [recently vacated] role of the ccNSO-GAC liaison.

20. Next Meetings [revised times]
• Meeting 179, Jan 27 - 12:00 UTC
• Meeting 180, Feb 24 - 21:00 UTC
• Meeting 181, Mar 05-10 - ICANN73 TBD
• Meeting 182, Apr 21 - 12:00 UTC
• Meeting 183, May 19 - 18:00 UTC
• Meeting 184, Jun 13-16 - ICANN74 TBD
• Meeting 185, Jul 21 - 12:00 UTC
• Meeting 186, Aug 18 - 21:00 UTC
• Meeting 187, Sep 17-22 - ICANN75 TBD
• Meeting 188, Oct 20 - 12:00 UTC
• Meeting 189, Nov 17 - 18:00 UTC
• Meeting 190, Dec 15 - 12:00 UTC

21. AOB

22. Thank you

Best Holiday wishes to all and a Happy New Year!

23. Closure