

ccNSO News

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Become the ccNSO appointed delegate to the ICANN NomCom

The ccNSO Council is now looking for one (1) volunteer to serve on the 2022 ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) on behalf of the ccNSO. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, 13 April 2022 (23:59 UTC).

Information on how to apply, key responsibilities and duties, time commitment, candidate requirements, terms of eligibility, diversity requirements and more have been posted on the ccNSO website.

[Read more](#)

ccTLD News Sessions

For ccTLDs, by ccTLDs: Join the speaker panel

On 19 and 24 May, the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) will hold the next edition of the virtual ccTLD News Sessions. The MPC will soon issue a call for presentations and is seeking speakers on themed ccTLD-related topics. There will be two options to participate, accommodating different time zones.

Each 90-minute session has a unique agenda. The sessions are an excellent opportunity for both experienced and new people to meet, share best practices, be informed about trends, and discuss ccTLD-related aspects.

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ccNSO Members: remember to vote!

Your vote is important!

The 2004 rules specify that in order for the new rules to be adopted, a vote by at least 86 ccNSO members is required, of which at least 66% needs to be in favour.

Only ccTLD Managers who are members of the ccNSO are eligible to vote.

Ballots were sent to the e-mail address of the primary contacts of each ccNSO Member, as listed in the ccNSO Members database.

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This is a reminder to participate in the ccNSO vote, to determine whether the ccNSO membership supports the adoption of the [proposed new ccNSO internal rules](#). Voting closes on **Wednesday, 6 April 2022 (23:59 UTC)**.

The new rules will have a direct impact on the governance structure of the ccNSO, specifically on the respective roles and responsibilities of the ccNSO Council and ccNSO members.



Reflections on ccNSO evolution

Ensuring ccNSO governance is fit for purpose

Chris Disspain and David McAuley are experienced members of the community, who actively contribute to the work of the ccNSO. When the internal ccNSO Rules were created in 2004, Chris was ccNSO Council Chair. Together with a small number of colleagues, he wrote the 2004 Rules. He also facilitated a number of sessions on their review. David McAuley (picture on the right) is a member of the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) since 2014. David chaired the GRC subgroup that drafted a new set of Internal Rules for the ccNSO. Under David's leadership, the group held various consultations with the ccNSO membership to identify issues, find solutions and to update about progress. A ccNSO vote to determine whether the ccNSO Members adopt the proposed rules closes 6 April 2022.

In this interview, David and Chris reflect on the process that led to the new proposed rules and their respective roles. They also share their advice to those who consider joining a ccNSO Working Group. David encourages all to help to ensure that ccNSO continues to be vibrant, organized, and well managed, with Chris adding: "*You do not need to be an expert to help!*"

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ccNSO & DNS Abuse



Council adopted the Roadmap

At its meeting on 10 March, the ccNSO Council adopted the [Roadmap](#) for the role of the ccNSO with respect to DNS Abuse.

During ICANN73, ccTLDs suggested areas for improvement to the envisaged ccNSO DNS Abuse Standing Committee (DASC) draft Terms of Reference, specifically to include safeguards with respect to the scope of its mandate. By COB on 31 March, the [amended Terms of Reference](#) will become available too. As a next step, Council will start looking for volunteers to join as members of the DASC.

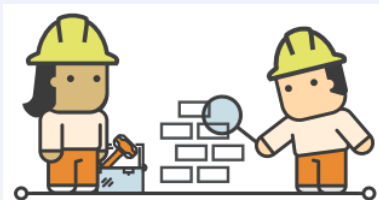
Roadmap highlights

The Roadmap provides a high level overview of the activities and phasing on how the ccNSO could be involved in the discussion and work around mitigating the impact of DNS Abuse. The main areas of activities are:

- Enhance sharing of information and practices for the benefit of ccTLDs
- Showcase ccTLD efforts
- Reinforce the message about the nature of ccTLDs and the (limited) role of the ccNSO when addressing other stakeholders in the DNS ecosystem
- Share DNS Abuse related metrics

To coordinate these activities, the Roadmap suggests creating the ccNSO DNS Abuse Standing Committee (DASC). This Committee would consist of ccTLD representatives. The Committee is expected to create and maintain a repository of useful resources for ccTLD managers. DASC will also explore creating a dedicated email list for ccTLDs to share experiences and stay informed with respect to DNS Abuse. Subscription to the email list would be voluntary.

ccNSO Council Highlights



The ccNSO Council had its [181th meeting](#) on Thursday, 10 March 2022, 12 UTC at ICANN73. Council meetings are open to observers. To attend, please contact the ccNSO Secretariat.

Highlights from recent Council discussions:

- During ICANN73, the ccNSO held various sessions which included Tech Day, ccNSO Members Meetings, and ccNSO Council sessions. The ccNSO Council elected a new leadership team for the upcoming year and discussed the roles and responsibilities of individual ccNSO councilors for the year ahead. The ccNSO Council also agreed on next steps regarding the proposed roadmap for the ccNSO and DNS abuse.
- Following a call for volunteers for one ccNSO appointee to the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG), Council appointed Qing Cai (.cn)
- Following a call for volunteers for one ccNSO appointee to the Root Server System Governance Working Group (GWG), Council appointed Peter Koch (.de)



ccNSO Council elects a new leadership team

At its meeting on 10 March 2022, the ccNSO Council elected a new leadership team. Alejandra Reynoso (.gt) was re-elected as Chair of the ccNSO Council and Jordan Carter (.nz) was re-elected as Vice-Chair. Adebisi (Biyi) Oladipo (.ng) joined the leadership team as Vice-Chair. Alejandra, Jordan and Biyi were elected for a one-year term starting at the end of ICANN73 and ending at the end of ICANN76. The ccNSO Council wishes to thank Pablo Rodriguez for his service as Vice Chair. Consult the 2022 ccNSO Council resolutions [here](#).

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