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ICANN Board: Patricio Poblete reconfirmed

In October 2022, the ccNSO members voted on the nomination procedure for ICANN Board Seat 11. The process was formally closed following Council's adoption of the Nomination Report. Patricio Poblete's second consecutive term on the Board will start at the ICANN78 Annual General Meeting, held in October 2023.

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ccNSO DNS Abuse survey now closed

The ccNSO DNS Abuse Standing Committee (**DASC**) recently launched a survey to understand the ccTLD landscape with respect to handling the various aspects of DNS Abuse, aiming to better serve ccTLDs. The DASC thanks all who responded. To learn more about the survey results and next steps, join us at ICANN76, held 11-16 March in Cancun (MX).

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Keep informed about the work of the ccNSO

In preparation of each ccNSO Council meeting, a written update regarding the work by the various working groups and committees is drafted. It includes information about the current status, next steps and what the activities are about. The December 2022 edition is out now.

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ccNSO & Universal Acceptance: next steps

Universal Acceptance (UA) is cornerstone to a digitally inclusive and multilingual Internet, ensuring all domain names and email addresses – in any language, script, or using any new or long TLD – are accepted equally by all Internet-enabled applications, devices, and systems.
In December, a ccNSO workshop further explored the expectations by the ccTLD community regarding potential ccNSO action on UA, and how to organize next efforts. A second workshop is expected to be held in January '23. The ccNSO Council will then develop a plan which will be presented to the ccTLD community at ICANN76.

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Third ccNSO Policy Development Process

Initial Report on the ccNSO PDP Review Mechanism is out for public comments

The third ccNSO Policy Development Process Review Mechanism Working Group (ccPDP3-RM) has completed its initial draft report on policy proposals for a mechanism to review specific decisions pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation, and retirement of country code top-level domains (ccTLDs). We seek your input and comments on the initial proposed policy. Comments close 24 January 2023 | 23:59 UTC.

Following the Public Comments, staff will summarize the input received. The ccPDP3-RM working group will then review the comments and will consider them in its ongoing deliberations. As part of the process, in a later stage, there will be a ccNSO members vote on the adoption of the proposed policy.
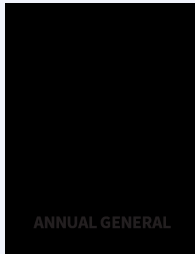
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ccPDP3-RM: What is the policy about and how will it benefit ccTLDs?

The objective of the policy is to offer ccTLD managers and applicants for new ccTLDs - as direct customers of the IANA Naming Function - an independent review mechanism (ccRM) for specifically identified IANA Function Operator (IFO) decisions.

This Policy is directed at ICANN and the IFO as the entity that performs the IANA Naming Functions with respect to ccTLDs. The ccPDP3-RM WG recommends that all disputes and claims regarding the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs remain and are excluded from ICANN's Reconsideration Request Process and the Independent Review Process.

Planning for ICANN76

The **ICANN76** Community Forum runs from 11 to 16 March in Cancun, Mexico. Prep Week is being held 27 February to 1 March.
The comprehensive schedule will be published 17 Feb 2023.

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ICANN76 links to bookmark now

- ccNSO Schedule
https://community.icann.org/x/8IMFDQ

- ccNSO Session Highlights
https://community.icann.org/x/kYYFDQ

- Tech Day
https://community.icann.org/x/WIQ-DQ

Session highlights

Here is an overview of the ccNSO-relevant sessions as part of ICANN76.
Note: this list is tentative, and subject to changes.

- **Saturday – Sunday**
  - ccNSO Working Groups and Committees (including. IGLC, Tech WG, GRC, ccPDP4-IDN, DASC, SOPC)
- **Monday**
  - Tech Day
- **Tuesday-Wednesday**
  - TLD-OPS workshop
  - ccNSO Members Meeting
    - Policy session on implementation as well as updates regarding ccPDP3&4
    - DASC update, with information on the repository as a useful resource for ccTLDs, as well as main findings from the recent survey

- 2 ccTLD News sessions: a traditional session, and one themed session on the impact of digital divide on ccTLDs (more info below)
- session on ccNSO & Universal Acceptance, when feedback is sought regarding the proposed Roadmap for the ccNSO & UA
  - ccNSO social event
  - Q&A session with the ccTLD-related ICANN Board members
- **Thursday**
  - ICANN public forum
  - ICANN Board meeting
  - ccNSO Council
  - MPC ICANN76 wrap-up

ICANN76 ccTLD News Sessions

There will be two ccTLD News Sessions at ICANN76:

- Firstly, a traditional ccTLD News Session, addressing a variety of topics. The MPC will finalise the agenda, based on submissions to the call for presentation proposals. (see below)
- Secondly, there will be a themed ccTLD News Session. ccTLD representatives from various regions will reflect on the topic of the digital divide and its impact on their respective ccTLDs.

We seek presenters!

Whether you are a seasoned presenter, or this be your first time, the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) encourages you to submit your presentation proposal. Do not hesitate to share this call for presentations with colleagues from the ccTLD community, and invite them to apply for a speaking slot, or join the ccTLD News Session at ICANN76.

How to apply
The MPC welcomes a variety of topic proposals. To apply for a slot during the general ccTLD News Session, please complete the **application form** by 20 January (23:59 UTC).

About the ccTLD News Sessions

Previous editions of the ccTLD News Sessions had an excellent collection of case studies, statistics, new developments, trends and more. This ccTLD News Session is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, 15 March 2022 (UTC -5) and will accommodate both in-person and virtual participation.

For selected ccNSO sessions during ICANN76, including the ccTLD News Sessions, simultaneous interpretation will be available, and participants are able to select the language they will speak or listen to in Zoom. Available languages are French, Spanish or English. The ccNSO Meeting Programme Committee looks forward to your participation!

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ccTLD News

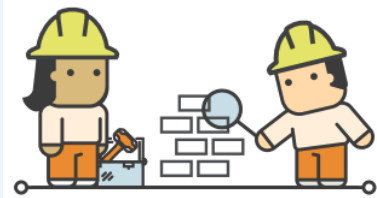Be sure to apply for a speaking slot by 20 January!

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The digital divide and the impact on ccTLDs

At ICANN76, the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) and ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC) will jointly organise a ccTLD News Session on the digital divide and the impact on ccTLDs. The term 'digital divide' is used to cover a broad range of social differences in access to and use of digital equipment and services.

The session promises to be an interesting exchange with ccTLDs from different ICANN geographical regions, sharing their unique experiences and approaches. More details about the final agenda will become available in January 2023.

ccNSO Council Highlights

The ccNSO Council had its **190th meeting** on 15 December 2022. The ccNSO Council will reconvene on 19 January 2023 at 21:00 UTC. Council meetings are open to observers. To attend the next meeting, please contact the **ccNSO Secretariat**. Topics for the next ccNSO Council meeting will be made available on the **ccNSO Council workspace** closer to the meeting.

Highlights from recent Council discussions:

- Summary inter-meeting Council decisions
- Adoption nomination report on ICANN Board Seat 11
- Deferral of a decision regarding a 360 review of Councillors
- Appointment of Olga Cavalli and Pablo Rodriguez to the ICANN 2023 Excellence Award Selection Panel
- Reconfirmation Jenifer Lopez to the ICANN Fellowship Mentor role
- Appointment Stephen Deerhake to the Fellowship Selection Committee 2023
- Adoption Guideline ccNSO Nomination Process ICANN Board Seat 11 and 12
- Adoption Guideline ccNSO Council Election
- Next steps regarding the ccNSO Guideline on Statement of Interest and Conflict of Interest
- Extension call for volunteers for a Council Review Team on the effectiveness of the cNSO Outreach and Involvement Standing Committee (OISC)
- Review Council workshop (Council meeting 189) on effectiveness and efficiency development processes and next steps.review and update of the NomCom job description and the ccNSO skillset criteria
- Update on high-level plans for the ccNSO at ICANN76

Happy holidays from the ccNSO!

We wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season.
Best wishes for 2023!

Boas Festas
Joyeuses fêtes!
Happy Holidays
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节日快乐！
¡Felices Fiestas!
Счастливых праздников!

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