

**ICANN|55**

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5 – 10 March 2016

**Pre-ICANN55**

**Policy Update Webinar  
25 February 2016**



# Welcome



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# ICANN55 Outlook: Meeting A

## **Saturday 5 March and Sunday 6 March, 2016**

- ⦿ Intra-community work across SO/AC groups

## **Monday, 7 March 2016**

- ⦿ Welcome & President's Opening Session (08:30-09:45)
- ⦿ Public Forum 1 (17:00-18:30)

## **Tuesday, 8 March 2016 and Wednesday, 9 March 2016**

- ⦿ High-Interest Topics/GDD Tracks
- ⦿ SO/AC Reports to the Community
- ⦿ Intra- and inter-community Work

## **Thursday, 10 March 2016**

- ⦿ Intra-Community Work & Wrap-Ups
- ⦿ Public Forum 2 (13:30-15:30)
- ⦿ ICANN Public Board Meeting (16:00-17:30)

# ICANN55: In Focus

## **Monday, 07 March 2016**

- ⦿ GAC High Level Governmental Meeting (10:00-18:00)
- ⦿ IANA Stewardship Transition Implementation (10:30-11:45)
- ⦿ CCWG-Accountability Engagement Session (13:30-15:00)

## **Wednesday, 09 March 2016**

- ⦿ GAC Meeting with ICANN Board (08:30-10:00)
- ⦿ GNSO Council Public Meeting (13:30-15:30)
- ⦿ ccNSO Council Meeting (16:00-18:00)

## **Thursday, 10 March 2016**

- ⦿ CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2 Working Session (09:00– 12:00)
- ⦿ GNSO Wrap-up Session(12:00-13:30)

# Policy Development

- ⦿ A primary role of ICANN is to coordinate policy development related to the global Internet's systems of unique identifiers.
- ⦿ ICANN's open and transparent policy development mechanisms promote well-informed decisions based on expert advice from a diversity of views from our stakeholders.
- ⦿ The ICANN Community works to improve and streamline these mechanisms so as many global stakeholders as possible can participate and have their voices heard.
- ⦿ The bottom-up, consensus approach results in recommendations for the domain name system (DNS) that are fair, effective, and carefully considered—preserving and enhancing the security, stability and resiliency of the Internet.

# Policy Development: Who?

## ICANN | GAC

Governmental Advisory Committee

158 Members  
35 Observers

## ICANN | ccNSO

Country Code Names Supporting Organization

157 ccTLD Managers

## ICANN | GNSO

Generic Names Supporting Organization

Registries SG  
Registrars SG  
Commercial SG  
Non-Commercial SG  
1000 Participants

## ICANN | RSSAC

Root Server System Advisory Committee

13 Root Server  
Operators

## ICANN | SSAC

Security and Stability Advisory Committee

30 Members

## ICANN | ASO

Address Supporting Organization

AFRINIC  
APNIC  
ARIN  
LACNIC  
RIPE NCC



196 At-Large  
Structures in  
88 countries



Business



Government &  
Governmental  
Organizations



Civil Society



Domain Name  
Industry



Internet Users



Academic



Technical

# Policy Development: How?

How?

Multistakeholder

Bottom-up



Open

Transparent

# Policy Development Support: Why?

<b>ASSIST</b> the community	Create policies and guidelines that are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Implementable and effective</li><li>• Developed through a highly participative, fair, and balanced process in a timely and efficient way</li></ul>
<b>SUPPORT</b> the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engage and support the participation of all necessary stakeholders</li><li>• Inform and educate stakeholders</li></ul>
<b>MANAGE</b> Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Manage the policy development process efficiently and effectively to benefit the global Internet community</li></ul>



# Policy Development: Support Tools

- ⦿ Working Group Model
- ⦿ Meeting support: teleconference, virtual, in-person
- ⦿ Public Comment
- ⦿ Collaboration Mechanisms
- ⦿ Publications
- ⦿ Webinars



## **Support**

bottom-up, consensus policies and guidelines

# Policy Development Support Staff

**29  
FTE**

Subject Matter  
Experts and  
SO/AC Support  
Services

**13 Languages**

- Chinese
- Dutch
- English
- Finnish
- French
- German
- Greek
- Italian
- Japanese
- Spanish
- Swedish
- Turkish

5 Time Zones  
across 9  
Countries



# Generic Names Supporting Organization

# Issues being discussed in the GNSO

- ⦿ Next generation gTLD Registration Directory Services to replace WHOIS
- ⦿ gTLD Subsequent Procedures
- ⦿ Review of Rights Protection Mechanisms, including the UDRP
- ⦿ Curative Rights Protections for IGO/INGOs
- ⦿ GNSO Review
- ⦿ Others – currently there are over 15 projects underway



## Next Generation gTLD Registration Directory Services to Replace WHOIS PDP

Marika Konings

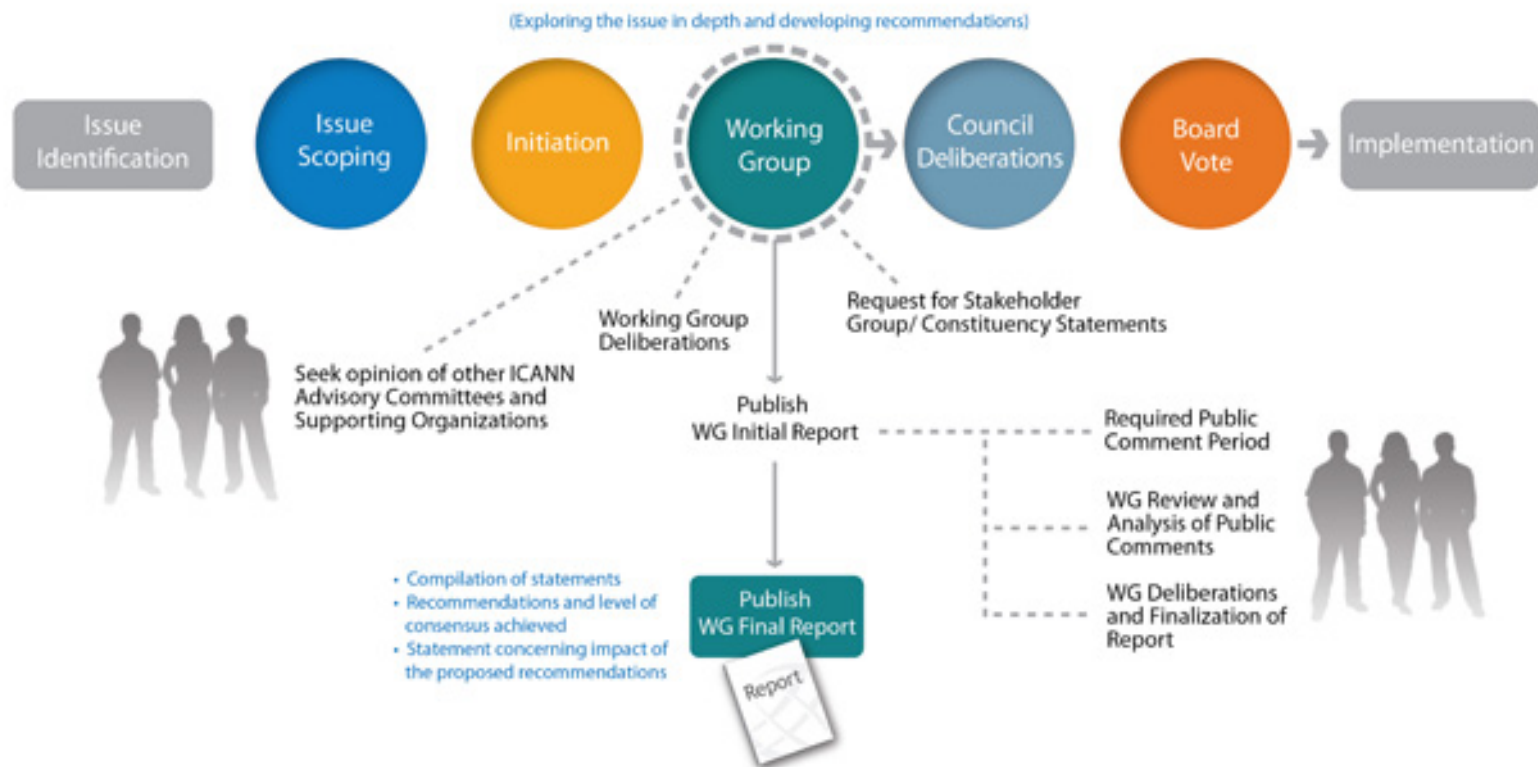
# Background

On 26 May 2015, ICANN Board reaffirmed its request for a Board-initiated PDP to:

“define the purpose of collecting, maintaining and providing access to gTLD registration data, and to consider safeguards for protecting data, using the recommendations in the EWG’s Final Report as an input to, and, if appropriate, as the foundation for a new gTLD policy.”

The Final Issue Report incorporates input received and follows the approach as outlined by the Process Framework developed by the ICANN Board and GNSO Council published 26 April 2015 (see <http://whois.icann.org/sites/default/files/files/next-generation-rds-framework-26apr15-en.pdf>)

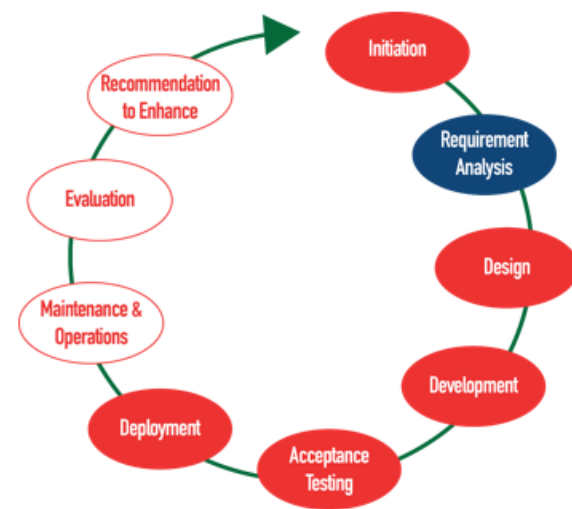
# PDP WG initiation activities completed



- GNSO Council [approved WG Charter](#) on 19 November 2015
- [Call for Volunteers](#) initiated on 4 January 2016
- [Initial WG Meeting](#) on 26 January 2016
- [WG Composition](#): 137 WG Members & 95 Observers as of 16 February 2016
- WG Leadership Team: Chuck Gomes (Chair), David Cake (Vice Chair), Susan Kawaguchi (Vice Chair), Michele Neylon (Vice Chair)

# During the first phase

- The PDP WG should, **at a minimum**, attempt to reach consensus on the following questions:
  - **What are the fundamental requirements for gTLD registration data?** When addressing this, the PDP WG should consider, at a minimum, *users and purposes and associated access, accuracy, data element, and privacy requirements*
  - **Is a new policy framework and next-generation RDS needed to address these requirements?**
    - **If yes, what cross-cutting requirements must any next-generation RDS address,** including *coexistence, compliance, system model, and cost, benefit, and risk analysis requirements*
    - **If no, does the current WHOIS policy framework sufficiently address these requirements?** If not, what revisions are recommended to the current WHOIS policy framework to do so?



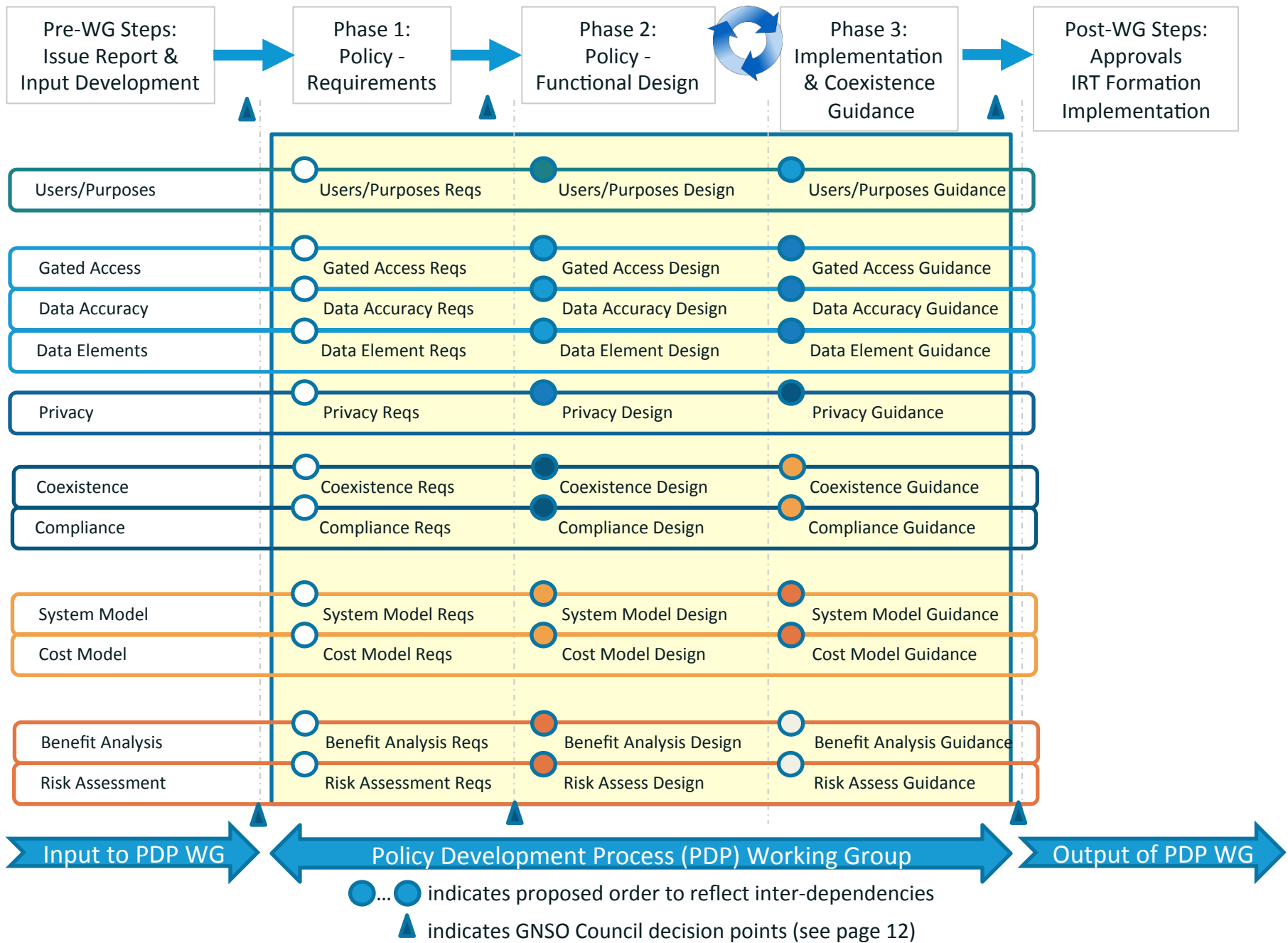


# Specific questions to consider



As part of its deliberations, consider *at a minimum*:

1. **Users/Purposes** – who should have access & why?
2. **Gated access** – what steps should be take to control data access for each user/purpose?
3. **Data accuracy** – what steps should be taken to improve data accuracy?
4. **Data elements** – what data should be collected, stored, disclosed?
5. **Privacy** – what steps are needed to protect data and privacy?
6. **Coexistence** – what steps should be taken to enable next-generation RDS coexistence with and replacement of the legacy WHOIS system?
7. **Compliance** – what steps are needed to enforce these policies?
8. **System model** – what system requirements must be satisfied by any next-generation RDS implementation?
9. **Cost** – what costs will be incurred and how must they be covered?
10. **Benefits** – what benefits will be achieved and how will they be measured?
11. **Risks** – what risks do stakeholders face and how will they be reconciled?



# Further Information



- RDS PDP WG Wiki Workspace  
<https://community.icann.org/display/gTLDRDS/Next-Generation+gTLD+Registration+Directory+Services+to+Replace+Whois>
- WG Charter  
<https://community.icann.org/display/gTLDRDS/WG+Charter>
- Final Issue Report  
<http://whois.icann.org/sites/default/files/files/final-issue-report-next-generation-rds-07oct15-en.pdf>
- WG Meeting in Marrakech on Wednesday 9 March, 16:00-18:00  
<https://meetings.icann.org/en/marrakech55/schedule/wed-rds>



# New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP

Steven Chan & Julie Hedlund

# Purpose of New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP

- ⦿ Determine what, if any changes may need to be made to the existing *Introduction of New Generic Top-Level Domains* policy recommendations from 8 August 2007.
  - ⦿ Original policy recommendations as adopted by the GNSO Council and ICANN Board have “been designed to produce a systemized and ongoing mechanism for applicants to propose new top-level domains”
- ⦿ If changes needed:
  - ⦿ Clarifying, amending or overriding existing policy principles, recommendations, and implementation guidance;
  - ⦿ Developing new policy recommendations;
  - ⦿ Supplementing or developing new implementation guidance

# Current Status

- Following the work of the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Discussion Group, the GNSO Council requested a Preliminary Issue Report on 24 June 2015
  - Staff published the Preliminary Issue Report for public comment on 31 August 2015 – 14 comments submitted
  - Final Issue Report incorporated input received and submitted to GNSO Council on 4 December 2015
  - GNSO Council initiated PDP on 17 December 2015
  - GNSO Council adopted Working Group charter on 21 January 2016
  - Call for volunteers published on 27 January 2016
- ~80 WG members and ~ 40 Mail List Observers
- First WG Meeting on 22 February

# Next Steps

1

## Confirm WG Leadership

Paul McGrady, GNSO Council liaison, is interim chair, and the WG needs to decide on its leadership structure and leaders.

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## Keep Eyes and Ears Open

There are other review efforts underway or already completed that should be considered by WG

2

## Develop Work Plan

The WG needs to develop work plan to identify necessary steps, timeline, and milestones.

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## Seek Input

As the WG makes progress, it should solicit statements from SG/Cs and as appropriate SO/ACs

3

## Decide on Schedule

The WG will need to agree to a schedule for its ongoing meetings.



# PDP to Review all RPMs in all gTLDs

Mary Wong & Lars Hoffmann



# Where are we now and how did we get here?



# What are the RPMs to be Reviewed in this PDP?

## Sunrise Period and Trademark Claims Service

**Sunrise services** provide trademark holders with an advance opportunity to register domain names corresponding to their marks before names are generally available to the public.

The **Trademark Claims** period follows the Sunrise period and runs for at least the first 90 days in which domain names are generally made available to all registrants that are qualified to register domain names within the TLD.

## Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS)

The URS was designed as a complement to the UDRP, to provide trademark owners with a quick and low-cost process to suspend domain names based on the same substantive grounds as the UDRP. It applies only to domain names registered in the New gTLDs.

## Trademark Clearing House (TMCH)

The Trademark Clearinghouse is a global database of verified trademark information to support rights protection processes. Benefits of inclusion include access to Sunrise Period and Trademark Claims Service.

## Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedures (PDDRs)

The PDDRs provide alternative avenues for a trademark holder who is harmed by a new gTLD registry operator's conduct to obtain redress.

## Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP)

The UDRP was created in 1999 and provides a uniform, standardized, alternative dispute resolution procedure to resolve disputes concerning who is the rightful holder of a registered domain name. It is applicable to all domains registered in all generic top-level domains (gTLDs).

# How will the PDP be conducted?

## Staff Recommendation: review all existing RPMs for all gTLDs in two phases

Three options outlined in Preliminary Issue Report for public comment

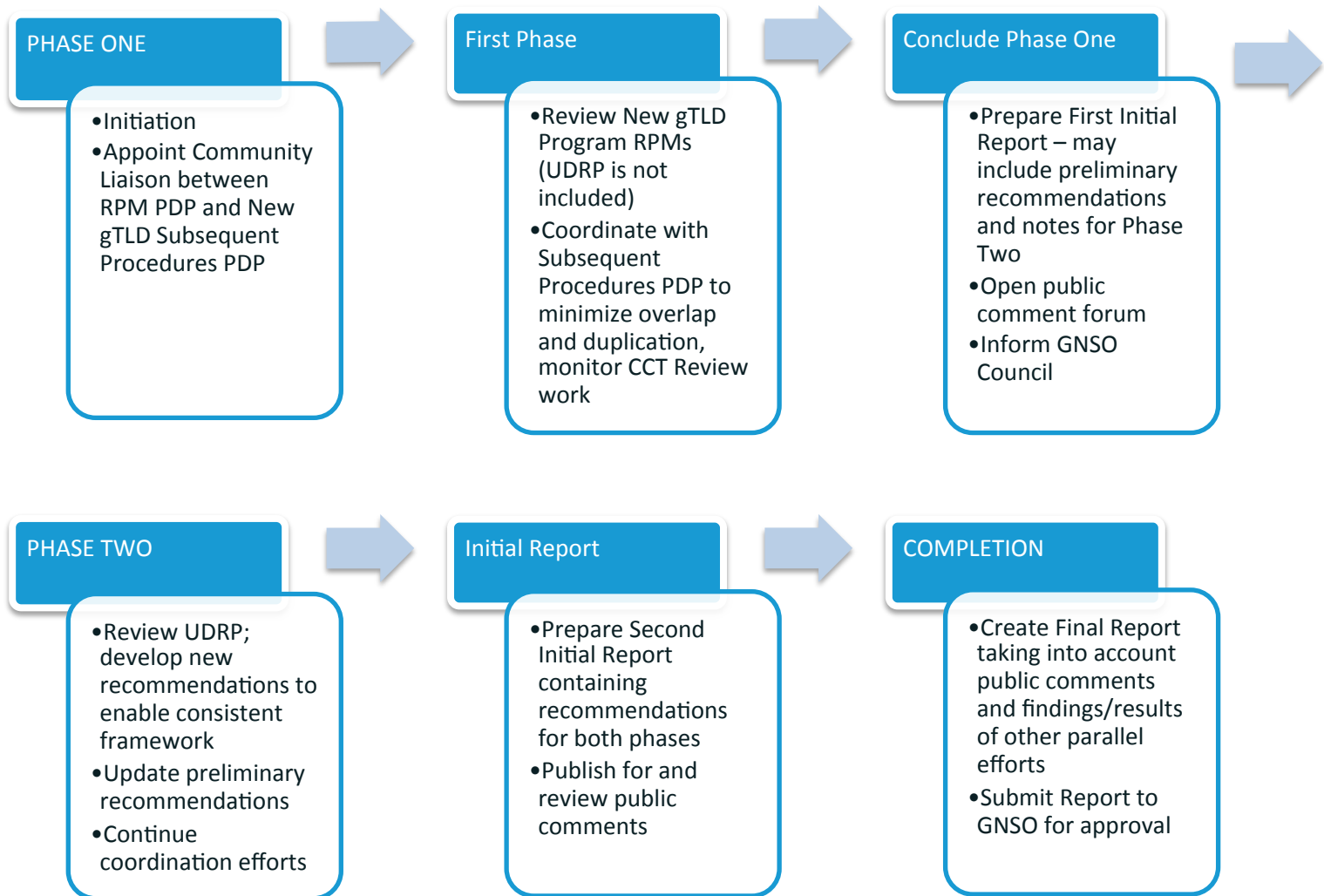
Objectives:

- ⦿ Align this PDP with other relevant parallel efforts, e.g.:
  - TMCH Review (ongoing)
  - Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice Review of New gTLD Program (Review Team formed)
  - GNSO PDP on New gTLD Subsequent Procedures (launched in Jan. 2016)
- ⦿ Develop a consistent overall framework for future reviews

Of the three options described in the Preliminary Issue Report, most community support was for Option 3: **Phase One review of RPMs developed for New gTLD Program and Phase Two review of UDRP**

- ⦿ Level of community support from public comment forum:
  - Option 1: 1 (one) supporter
  - Option 2: 0 (zero) supporter
  - Option 3: 6 (six) supporters
  - Alternative options: 3 (three) different proposals
  - No opinion expressed: 12 (twelve)

# Features of the recommended Two-Phased PDP



# Next Steps



## Info:

- ⦿ Final Issue Report  
<http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/new-gtlds/rpm-final-issue-11jan16-en.pdf>
- ⦿ Public Comment and Preliminary Issue Report:  
<https://www.icann.org/public-comments/rpm-prelim-issue-2015-10-09-en>



# Country Code Names

## Supporting Organization

Bart Boswinkel

- ◎ ccNSO sessions on Accountability and Stewardship Transition processes
- ◎ Other sessions: ccNSO meeting
- ◎ Ongoing ccNSO work items
- ◎ New ccNSO work item
- ◎ Additional Information

## **ccNSO decision-making process**

- ccNSO is chartering organisation of CCWG Accountability and CWG Stewardship
- ccNSO Council decision dependent on view ccTLD community
- Ultimately support ccTLD community needed (members and non-members ccNSO)



## Stewardship Transition and CCWG Accountability

- ⦿ Block 1: Overview of IANA Stewardship Transition Process:
  - ⦿ CWG, CCWG and ICG Processes - Timelines and Interdependencies
  - ⦿ Overview of CCWG-Accountability WS1 proposal
- ⦿ Block 2: Implementation Issues Final Proposal Stewardship Transition (ICG)
  - ⦿ General Progress Implementation CWG - Stewardship Proposal
  - ⦿ What does ccNSO need to do?
- ⦿ Block 3: Sense of the community on CCWG Accountability proposals
  - (to be followed by ccNSO Council meeting)

# Other ccNSO Meeting Sessions in Marrakech

- ⊙ Marketing session: Sessions on ccTLD marketing experiences
  - Example: A “hybrid” business model for (African) ccTLDs.
- ⊙ ccTLD new session
  - ccTLDs sharing information on latest local developments
- ⊙ Session Legal issues: presentations and discussion on legal issues relevant for ccTLDs
  - Example: Intermediary liability and ccTLDs

# Ongoing ccNSO work items

## ◎ ccNSO SOP WG

- Prepare for input of five year Ops Plan update and FY17 draft Ops Plan & Budget

## ◎ ccNSO Guideline Review committee (GRC)

- Review of all internal guidelines and rules of the ccNSO to reflect changing practices, growth of ccNSO and focus on accountability
- First set of updates presented to community and then to be approved by Council
  - ccNSO Work plan & triage process
  - Roles and responsibilities of Councillors
  - Working groups

- ◎ Discussion on launch ccNSO policy development processes
  - Retirement of ccTLDs
  - Review mechanism for decision on delegation, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs

# Address Supporting Organization

## Carlos Reyes

# ASO Address Council

The ASO Address Council has 15 members, 3 from each region:

- ⦿ The regional policy forum of each Regional Internet Registry elects two members.
- ⦿ The Executive Board of each RIR also appoints one person from its respective region.
- ⦿ ASO Address Council consists of the members of the NRO Number Council

ASO Address Council oversees and manages global policy development process

**ICANN | ASO**

Address Supporting Organization

# Global Policy Development

What is a *global* policy?

- Global Internet number resource policies “require specific actions or outcomes on the part of IANA.”
- All five RIRs must approve a global policy, which is submitted to the ASO AC for ratification.
- ICANN Board may accept, reject, request changes or take no action on a ratified global policy.

Examples

- Post-Exhaustion IPv4 Allocation Mechanisms by the IANA (2012)
- Allocation of IPv6 Blocks to RIRs (2006)

No global policy proposals exist at this time.

# Regional Policy Development

Areas of policy under discussion:

- ⦿ Internet number resource transfer policies (IPv4, ASNs)
- ⦿ IPv6 allocation policies

Ongoing operational improvements

- ⦿ Independent reviews of RIR accountability
- ⦿ Governance matrix

## **APNIC41/APRICOT 2016 | Auckland, New Zealand**

Policy Special Interest Group sessions to improve APNIC WHOIS data accuracy and how to troubleshoot geolocation issues arising from the reuse of scarce IPv4 address blocks.




# Current Work and ICANN55 Activities

The ASO Address Council will not meet formally at ICANN55.

However, ASO Address Council members and NRO Executive Council members will be in Marrakech for other activities:

- ⦿ CCWG-Accountability discussions
- ⦿ CRISP follow-up work
- ⦿ ICANN/RIR coordination
- ⦿ ICANN Board of Directors Seat 10 selection process
- ⦿ Joint NRO-GAC Public Safety Working Group Workshop on IP WHOIS



**Root Server System Advisory  
Committee Update**  
Carlos Reyes | Steve Sheng

## Structure and Work

- ⊙ 12 Board Appointed Root Server Operator Representatives
- ⊙ 3 Root Zone Management Partner Representatives
- ⊙ 3 Liaisons
- ⊙ Co-Chairs
  - ⊙ Tripti Sinha, University of Maryland, RSO D-root
  - ⊙ Brad Verd, Verisign, RSO A/J-roots
- ⊙ Meets monthly via teleconference and in person at ICANN public meetings



**71 Technical Experts:** 45% do *not* work in root server operations

- ⦿ Published RSSAC001, RSSAC002 v1 and v2, and RSSAC003 in past two years.
- ⦿ Current Work: Root Server System Naming Scheme Work Party, RSSAC002 v3 Work Party

**To apply:** [rssac-membership@icann.org](mailto:rssac-membership@icann.org)

# RSSAC Publications since ICANN54

## Advisory on Service Expectation of Root Servers

- Describes the best practice service provided by Root Servers
- Defines the expectations that users might reasonably hold of both that service and the Root Server Operators.
- Published together with RFC7720: DNS Root Name Service Protocol and Deployment Requirements from IAB

## Advisory on Measurements of the Root Server System (v2)

- Updated RSSAC002v1 with several clarifications based on implementation experience
- The implementation of these measurements helps meet the requirements of RSSAC001 and provides valuable data regarding the ongoing expansion of the root zone.

## RSSAC Workshop 2015 Report

- RSSAC conducted its first workshop in September 2015.
- The workshop accomplished its goals of: 1) discussing the evolution of the Root Server System, and 2) coming to a common understanding about some points related to evolution, accountability and continuity of root server system.
- The workshop report documents these consensus points.

# Root Server System Naming Scheme Work Party

On 9 July 2015, the RSSAC established a Caucus work party to produce “**History and Technical Analysis of the Naming Scheme Used for Individual Root Servers**” with the following scope to:

1. Document the technical history of the names assigned to individual root servers;
2. Consider changes to the current naming scheme, in particular whether the names assigned to individual root servers should be moved into the root zone from the root-servers.net zone;
3. Consider the impact on the priming response of including DNSSEC signatures over root server address records;
4. Perform a risk analysis; and
5. Make a recommendation to root server operators, root zone management partners, and ICANN on whether changes should be made, and what those changes should be.

While working on RSSAC002 v2 updates, a number of more substantial issues came to light. On 4 February 2016, the RSSAC established a new Caucus work party with the following scope:

1. Whether or not the zone-size metric should continue to be measured;
2. How to measure and report load-time metric with respect to large number of anycast instances;
3. Clarify ambiguity in the description of the rcode-volume metric
4. Address the role of responses in the traffic-volume metric;
5. Feasibility of measuring the publication-time metric (e.g., on NSD);
6. Whether to include any additional metrics; and
7. Any other issues or updates that the Caucus may identify.

# History of Root Server System

In collaboration with root server operators, the RSSAC produced a report to inform the community on the current root server system and its history. The report contains:

1. a chronological history of the root server system from its origin to its current structure, divided into historical periods.
2. a description of the current operators, and their histories in operating the root service, provided by each operator organization.

The report is currently in review by the RSSAC Caucus until March 2016.



## **Participation in “How It Works” tutorials**

Sunday 6 March, 15:15—16:45, Oliveraie

Monday, 7 March, 17:00—18:30, Opale

## **Two Work Sessions**

### **Joint Meetings**

- CTO
- Board of Directors

### **Public Session**

Wednesday, 9 March, 14:00—15:30, Opale



# **Security and Stability Advisory Committee Update**

Julie Hedlund | Andrew McConachie | Steve Sheng

# SSAC Publications Since ICANN54

- ⦿ [SAC078]: SSAC Advisory on Uses of the Shared Global Domain Name Space (18 February 2016)
- ⦿ [SAC077]: SSAC Comment on gTLD Marketplace Health Index Proposal (22 January 2016)
- ⦿ [SAC076]: SSAC Comment on the CCWG-Accountability 3rd Draft Proposal (21 December 2015)
- ⦿ [SAC075]: SSAC Comments to ITU-D on Establishing New Certification Authorities (03 December 2015)
- ⦿ [SAC074]: SSAC Advisory on Registrant Protection: Best Practices for Preserving Security and Stability in the Credential Management Lifecycle (03 November 2015)

Overall feedback: ICANN is approaching the KPI problem backwards by starting with data that is already easily available.

Specific recommendations:

- ⦿ ICANN should collect and disseminate information about known categories of how domain name registrations are used for abusive and fraudulent purposes.
- ⦿ SSAC supports ICANN's proposal to report number of security breaches, recommends adding types of breach, number of similar breaches, number of affected users.

# Specific recommendations

- ① ICANN should consider integrating external sources of information on DNSSEC in new gTLDs, showing signed domains per TLD, and by registrar.
- ① ICANN should include the frequency and impact of TLD registries and/or registrars going out of business or merging with other businesses.

- ⦿ Purpose is to raise awareness of multiple uses of the domain name space
- ⦿ The DNS name resolution coexists with other name resolution systems that also use domain names.
- ⦿ They depend on the ability of DNS name resolution protocols and interface conventions to recognize their domain names but treat them in some special way.

- ⦿ Examples:
  - <https://facebookcorewwi.onion/>
  - MyComputer.local
  - These names exist in the domain name space, but use resolution methods other than DNS.
- ⦿ Discussions and ongoing work in multiple venues to more fully define:
  - what a namespace is; and
  - how to avoid potential sides effects.

# SSAC Activities at ICANN55

- ◉ DNSSEC for Everybody: A Beginner's Guide – 06 March
- ◉ DNSSEC Workshop – 9 March
- ◉ SSAC Public Meeting – 10 March
- ◉ Meeting with the community, including the At-Large Advisory Committee, the ICANN Board, and the GNSO Council.
- ◉ For more information on the SSAC see:
  - ◉ Main web page: <https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac>
  - ◉ Publications: <https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac/documents>



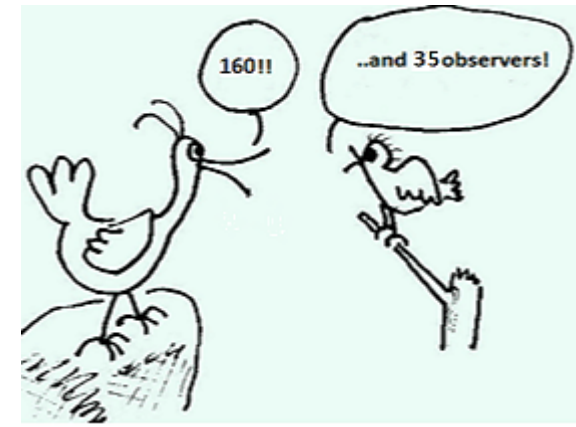
# GAC Update

## Olof Nordling



# Overview

- ⦿ The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) currently has 160 governments as members and 35 IGOs as observers
- ⦿ The GAC meets at ICANN meetings, with intersessional work conducted remotely
- ⦿ The GAC provides advice on public policy matters to the ICANN Board



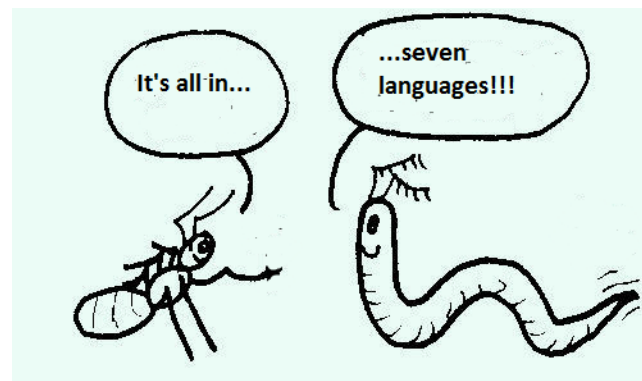
# Policy-Related Activities

- ⦿ IANA Stewardship Transition and ICANN Accountability
  - GAC position as Chartering Organization
- ⦿ Remaining issues with the New gTLD Program:
  - Implementation of GAC Safeguard Advice
- ⦿ Reports by GAC Working Groups:
  - Geographic Names
  - Human Rights & International Law
  - Public Safety
  - Under-Served Regions
- ⦿ Meetings with GNSO, ccNSO, ALAC and the Board



# Other Activities

- ⦿ High-Level Governmental Meeting, HLGGM, on Monday 7 March, chaired by Moroccan Minister Elalamy
- ⦿ Review of GAC Operating Principles
- ⦿ Preparations for ICANN56 - the first “B” meeting
- ⦿ The GAC sessions from Saturday to Thursday are all open, also the HLGGM on Monday – only exception is the Communiqué drafting session on Wednesday afternoon.
- ⦿ **Welcome to the GAC meeting room:  
Cristal !**



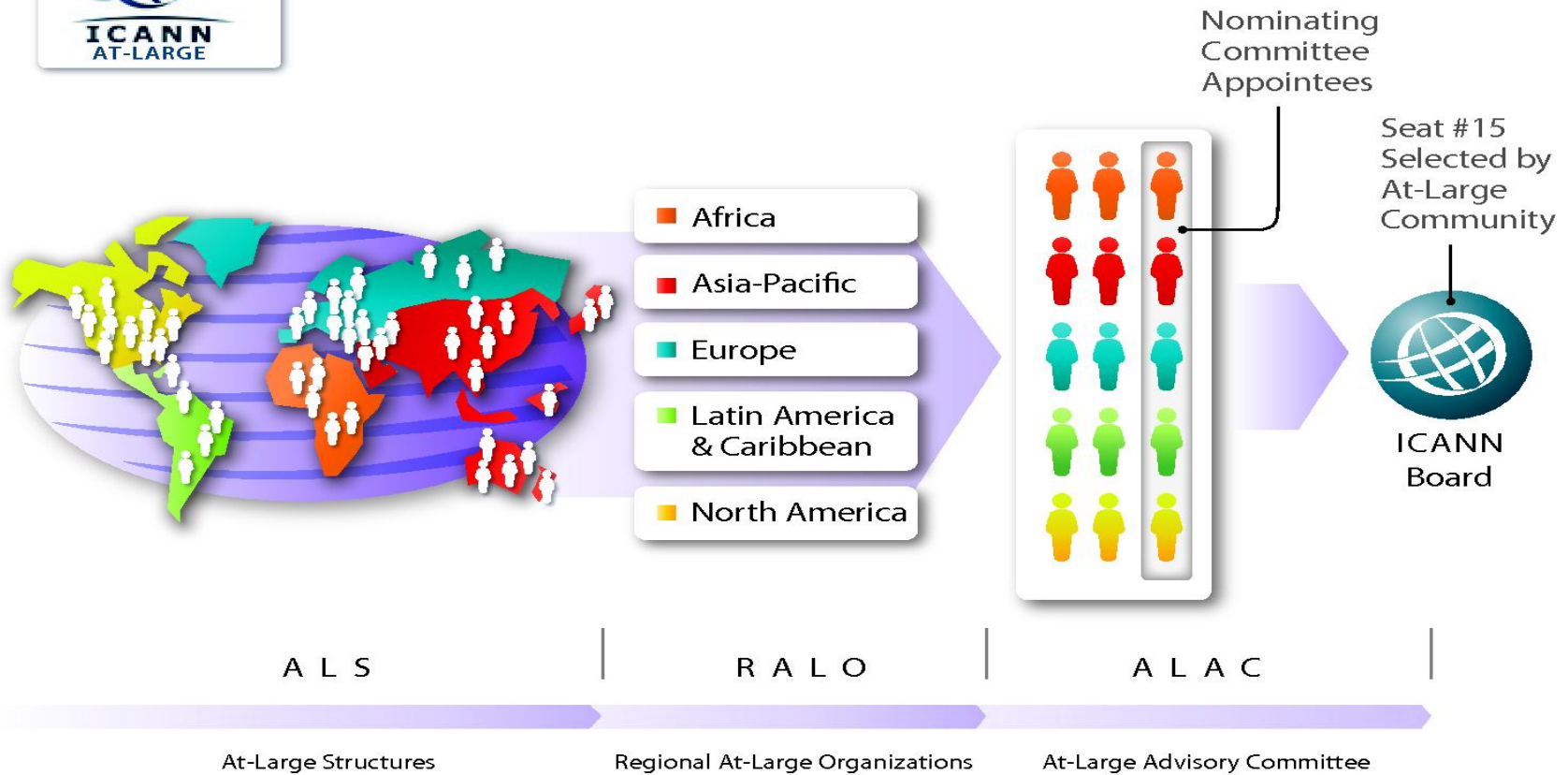
# **ALAC/At-Large Activities**

Heidi Ullrich | Ariel Liang | Silvia Vivanco

# The Structure of the At-Large Community



## At-Large Organizational Diagram



# ALAC Advice (ICANN54 – Current)

## New gTLDs

- ❑ **gTLD Marketplace Health Index Proposal**
  - Add metrics to track how live and active domain names are; include index related to population; ask registrars to help contribute data about resellers; consult CCT data
  - The index is restricted to the market purchasing, sale, and resale of domain names under the new gTLD extensions
  - Does not satisfy the need for wider DNS health index that would include KPIs about Internet end users, the stability of the Name System, and its perception by end users
  
- ❑ **Preliminary Issue Report on a GNSO Policy Development Process to Review All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs**
  - RPMs seem to focus on protecting the Intellectual Property rights of corporations and their structures/costs create barriers for end users
  - Suggest to add questions that address the barriers for end user access to RPMs and ways to lower the costs
  - There should be a review on accessibility to TMCH for individuals, private trademark holders, and trademark agents in developing countries
  
- ❑ **New gTLD Program Implementation Review Draft Report**
  - The life-cycle of the application and evaluation process is a concern, due to delays in processing new gTLD applications

# ALAC Advice (ICANN54 – Current)

## WHOIS

- ❑ **Planned Implementation of the New Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP)**
  - Contracted parties must include mandatory features and provisions that support authorization framework and differentiated access to registration data
- ❑ **Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) Operational Profile for gTLD Registries and Registrars**
- ❑ **Proposed Implementation of GNSO Thick WHOIS Consensus Policy Requiring Consistent Labeling and Display of RDDS Output for All gTLDs**
  - The current proposal includes no plan and no target date for the prime requirement, except for phase 1; ICANN will soon enter the 6<sup>th</sup> year of this work

## Other

- ❑ **Proposed implementation of GNSO Policy Development Process Recommendations on Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP) Part D**
  - Stress the need for clear and accessible information on the transfer process and the dispute resolution mechanisms for non-compliant transfers on ICANN website

**More Information:** <https://atlarge.icann.org/policy-summary>





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Help us shape the Internet's future



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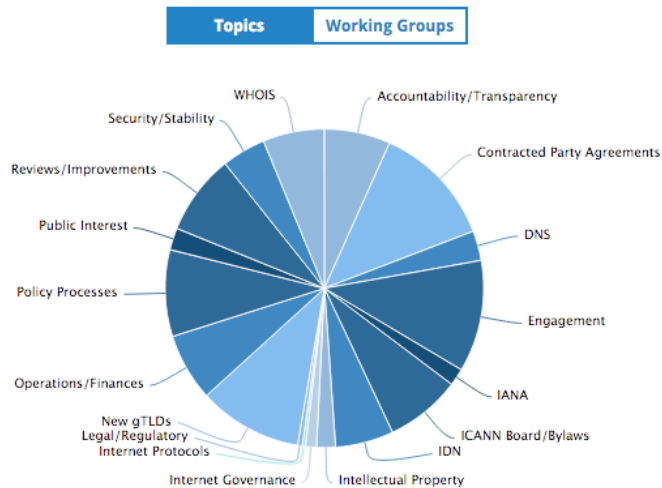
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## Advice Development

### Topics and Working Groups

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### Latest Advice

[Final Report Recommendations of the Geographic Regions Review Working Group](#)

Status: Drafting a Statement

[Registration Data Access Protocol \(RDAP\) Operational Profile for gTLD Registries and Registrars](#)

Status: Submitted 23 Jan 2016

[Proposed Implementation of GNSO Thick Whois Consensus Policy Requiring Consistent Labeling and Display of RDDS \(Whois\) Output for All gTLDs](#)

Status: Submitted 31 Jan 2016

[CCWG-Accountability - Draft Proposal on Work Stream 1 Recommendations](#)

Status: Submitted 21 Dec 2015

[gTLD Marketplace Health Index Proposal: Call for Comments and Volunteers](#)

Status: Submitted 21 Dec 2015

# Key ALAC/At-Large Activities during ICANN55

## CCWG

- The ALAC will spend nearly 10 hours discussing the 12 recommendation of the final proposal.
- They expect the ratification vote on Sunday, 6 March
- The ALAC may prepare an accompanying statement which will identify possible issues

## ALS Criteria & Expectations

- The ALAC and regional leaders will continue the process of re-assessing the criteria and expectations of becoming and remaining an At-Large Structure

## At-Large Review

- The At-Large Review will focus on the RALOs and At-Large Structures
- At-Large Review Working Party will discuss the timeline and objective of the review as well as tasks that may support the independent examiner

# At-Large Outreach and Engagement at ICANN55

## ⦿ **AFRALO Marrakech NGO Program**

- ⦿ 5 representatives from African NGOs will take part in the Marrakech AFRALO NGO Program.
- ⦿ The AFRALO NGO Program will feature a series of capacity building sessions for beginners. Sessions will take place Saturday, 5 March through Thursday, 10 March.
- ⦿ For the Full Program see wiki page:  
<https://community.icann.org/x/SAV1Aw>

## ⦿ **At-Large Outreach Activities**

- ⦿ 60 University students from Rabat will be participating in series of At-Large events on Monday and Tuesday
- ⦿ These students will join selected members of At-Large in an outreach event at the [Université Cadi Ayyad of Marrakech](#) on Tuesday, 8 March, 15:00-17:00. The activity includes an open discussion on outreach and engagement in the ICANN multistakeholder model

# RALO Meetings in Marrakech

- ⦿ **AFRALO** will hold the **AFRALO-AFRICANN** joint meeting on **8 March, 11:00-12:30** on the theme, “Enhancing ICANN Accountability: The CCWG Final Proposal.”
- ⦿ **APRALO** members will meet on **6 March, 08:00-09:00**.
- ⦿ **NARALO** monthly meeting will take place on **8 March, 11:00-12:00**.
- ⦿ **9 March**, The five RALOs will hold the **Regional Secretariat** meeting. Main topics include a discussion of the Document Development Pilot Program and a discussion of At-Large work on the public interest.



# Tribute to Fadi Chehadé—AFRALO Showcase

- ⦿ **Monday, 7 March 2016, 19:00-21:00 in the Orion Tent**
- ⦿ A special tribute to Fadi Chehadé including addresses by ICANN senior staff, Board members, At-Large members and a number of local dignitaries.
- ⦿ A brief presentation of AFRALO ALSes.
- ⦿ Local entertainment and refreshments will be available.
- ⦿ **Come and join us at this special tribute to Fadi!**





# **Cross-Community Efforts**

Mary Wong | Lars Hoffmann | Marika Konings

# Cross Community Working Group (CCWG) on a Framework of Principles for Future CCWGs

**March 2014:** CWG chartered by ccNSO & GNSO Councils to develop uniform principles to guide formation & operation of future CCWGs

CWG reviewed previous CWG/Joint WG efforts; Community sessions conducted at several ICANN meetings

CWG developing a Framework containing general principles covering all aspects of a CWG lifecycle

## **CWG lifecycle:**

- Scoping, formation & chartering
- Operations – including decision making methodology & definition of consensus
- Closure & follow up

CWG to publish draft Framework for public comment in late February 2016

Final recommendations expected in May 2016

# Cross Community WG on Use of Country and Territory Names

Group chartered to address country and territory names as top-level domains only

3-part methodology: 2-character codes, 3-character codes, full names

Preliminary consensus that the rules on 2-character codes shouldn't be changed: remain reserved for ccTLDs

Feedback request sent to SO/ACs and SG/Cs to hear community views on 3-letter codes. Over 30 responses received

Due to diverse community views on 3-character codes: draft Straw Man Proposal planned for ICANN55 to start consensus formation

Current timeline: Draft Final Report by ICANN56



# GAC – GNSO Consultation Group to facilitate GAC early engagement in GNSO PDP

Joint initiative to explore and enhance ways of early engagement of the GAC in GNSO PDP

Focused on two tracks: 1) Day-to-Day ongoing cooperation 2) Early engagement in PDP

Improvements implemented to date: GNSO Liaison to the GAC, PDP Quick Look Mechanism

Still working on: Review of GNSO Liaison to the GAC, Review of Quick Look Mechanism, Remaining Stages of the PDP

Update on activities to be provided during GAC-GNSO Joint Meeting in Marrakech

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Team  
your questions.

## What is the next step after the release of the Revised New gTLD Program Implementation Review Report?

“The report is an assessment performed by members of ICANN staff charged with executing the New gTLD Program, examining the effectiveness and efficiency of the implementation of program processes. It is intended to help inform the Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice (CCT) Review Team's assessment of the effectiveness of the application and evaluation processes. Within the report, ICANN has identified several areas that may benefit from further work and discussion.” (See [announcement](#))

## How can and does ICANN engage and participate with civil societies in local Internet development?

- [Work Session](#), 10 March, 12:00 to 13:30

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## **Communication Tools Classroom Session & Working Group Newcomer Webinar:**

At the start of every PDP Working Group two newcomer sessions will be held. A communication tools classroom (staff-led) and a Working Group Newcomer Webinar will be held (community-led) aimed at newcomers in the GNSO Working Group setting.

Please contact [nathalie.peregrine@icann.org](mailto:nathalie.peregrine@icann.org) for more details

# Thank you!

**Pre-ICANN55 Policy Update Webinar Wiki Space:**

**<https://community.icann.org/x/AhWAAw>**

**For recordings, transcripts, slides and more information in preparation for ICANN55.**

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