ccNSO Council Meeting Beijing
10 April 2013

Attendees:

African Region

Vika Mpisane, .za
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw

Asia-Pacific Region

Keith Davidson, .nz
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Young-Eum Lee, .kr

European Region

Lesley Cowley, .uk (Chair)
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Katrina Sataki, .lv

Latin American and Caribbean Region

Victor Abboud, .ec
Margarita Valdes, .cl
Rolando Toledo, .pe

North American Region

Fernando Espana
Byron Holland
Dotty Sparks de Blanc

NomCom Appointees

Sokol Haxhiu
Mary Wong
Hong Xue

Regional Organisations

Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD
Barrack Otieno, AfTLD
Peter Van Roste, CENTR
Jian Zhang, AfTLD

Observers and Liaisons

Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ALAC Liaison to the ccNSO
Ron Sherwood (remote), ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabriella Schittek

1 Apologies

Apologies were noted from Carolina Agguera and Jian Zhang for having to leave the meeting early.

2 Minutes and Actions

The Chair asked for comments or questions to the minutes from the Council meeting on 12 March. No comments were noted and the minutes were approved.

Gabriella Schittek ran through the action items from the previous meeting.

Action 82-01:
Bart Boswinkel to distribute the adopted ccPDP Tracking Document to appropriate ICANN Staff on behalf of the ccNSO Council.
This action was completed.

Action 82-02:
The Secretariat to circulate the draft report of the ccNSO Council Capacity Building Committee on the Council email list for feedback.
This action was completed.

Action 82-03:
Bart Boswinkel to find out whether it would be possible for Margarita Valdes to join the ICANN Board Meeting Strategy Working Group.
This action was completed.

Action 82-04:
The Chair to ask Byron Holland to provide a written update on the progress of the Finance Working Group.
This action was not completed, but had since been superseded.

Action 82-05:
The Secretariat to ask Vika Mpisane to provide a written update of the progress of the Celebration Committee.
This action was completed.

Action 82-06:
The Secretariat to seek a volunteer to help organise the joint ccNSO/GNSO Council meetings.
This action was completed.

3 Updates

3.1   Chair Update

The Chair reported on Fadi Chehadi's visit to Nominet during which they had also taken the opportunity to discuss ccNSO related matters, including financial contributions and the roles that ccTLDs play at national, regional and international levels.

3.2   Vice-Chair Update

Byron Holland reported on his participation in the ICANN roundtable discussions and in the Canadian IGF meeting, for which CIRA had been host.

Keith Davidson reported on his activity in the ICANN Meeting Strategy Working Group, the ITU Informal Experts group on WTPF and a New Zeeland government group, also on the topic of WTPF.

3.3   Councillors Update

Several Councillors reported on their recent ccNSO-related activities.

3.4   Regional Organisations Update

No updates were noted in addition to the ones provided at the ccNSO Members Meeting.

3.4   Staff Update

No updates were noted.

4 ccNSO Council Capacity Building Committee

Fernando Espana explained that the Capacity Building Study Group had concluded its work and thanked its members as well as Bart Boswinkel and Gabriella Schittek for their work in this process.

Roelof Meijer noted that the Council should keep in mind the possibility to on occasion suggest that working group members could switch groups in order to spread the capacity.

Resolution 83-01:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the Final Report of the ccNSO Council Capacity Building Study Group and that the Study Group is closed. The recommendations will be implemented in the appropriate ccNSO Guidelines.

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to thank the members of the Study Group wholeheartedly for their hard work.

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the updated Guideline Work Plan to establish the ccNSO Council Triage Committee and start the prioritization of work plan process.

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the updated Guideline on working groups to reflect the recommendations of the Study group in order to enable and increase active participation of the ccTLD community in working groups

The resolutions were passed unanimously.

5 Adoption 2013 Work Plan

The Chair explained that the Council had addressed this topic during the Council Workshop a few days earlier and that the outcomes of that session would be discussed further on the email list after Beijing.

The Council noted receipt of the monthly update of the Work Plan.

6 Adoption Roles and Responsibilities Councillors

The Chair presented the proposed resolution regarding the assignment of roles and responsibilities amongst the Councillors.

Resolution 83-02:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the roles and responsibilities as defined and assigned as proposed and discussed at the ccNSO Council workshop, Sunday 7 April 2013.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

7 Final Report IDN ccPDP

The Chair presented the proposed resolution on the final IDN ccPDP report.

Roelof Meijer congratulated the members of the PDP for the concise and clear report.

Young-Eum Lee noted that a decision made as a result of a PDP would be binding according to the Bylaws.

Resolution 83-03:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt all recommendations contained in the Final Report of the Issue Manager as submitted to the Chair of the ccNSO Council on 1 April 2013. The adopted recommendations shall be conveyed as Council Recommendations to the Members of the ccNSO to vote upon. As a result of adoption of the Final Report IDN ccPDP, Working Groups 1 and 2 will close.

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to wholeheartedly thank the members and other participants of IDN ccPDP Working Groups 1 and 2 for their hard work and prolonged effort to conclude the Final Report, and in particular the Chairs of both working groups Chris Disspain and Hiro Hotta and the Issue Manager, Bart Boswinkel.

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to request the ICANN Board to implement the updated process concerning Confusing Similarity in IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process. Taking into account that the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process was introduced at the time to, amongst others, experiment with the proposed methodology. Accordingly the ccNSO Council requests the ICANN Board of Directors to implement the two panel process for confusing similarity review, as defined in the Final Report, dated 29 March 2013. The Board is also requested to direct staff to develop further the method and criteria to assess confusing similarity and the additional aspects relating to the roles and responsibilities of the two panels, which will review the confusing similarity aspects of requested strings.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

8 Study Group Review Principles of Representation

Katrina Sataki asked the Council for its support to draft charter for a study group, which would be tasked to study and report to the Council on the aspects relating to maintaining or striking the "quorum" rule in the ICANN Bylaws Article IX and Annex B.

The Council decided that this topic would need further discussion before deciding on a resolution and was therefore deferred to the next Council call.

9 Implementation ccNSO Improvement Recommendations nr 2 and 3 - Translation of Core Documents

The Chair explained that the proposed resolution to introduce translation tools for ccNSO documents would conclude the work of implementing the recommendations from the ccNSO ITEMS review.

Roelof Meijer suggested that a review should be scheduled within six months in order to follow up on the use of these tools. He further noted that sponsored translations could be an option.

Resolution 83-04:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the recommendations as proposed by the Secretariat, to enable the translation of relevant ccNSO documents in various languages, via electronic translation tools. The Secretariat is requested to have the tools implemented for the ccNSO Website. The Secretariat is also requested to inform the ICANN Board structural improvements committee that, with the implementation of the translation tools, the ccNSO Improvement process is completed.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Action 83-01:
The Secretariat to inform the ICANN Board structural improvements committee that with the implementation of the translation tools the ccNSO Improvement process is completed.

10 ICANN CEO Note Regarding Microsoft Security Service for ccTLDs

The Chair explained that some community members had expressed concern regarding a Microsoft blog post that presented a launch of a new security service as supported by ICANN. She referred to a note from Fadi Chehade in which he confirms that this is not the case.

The Council noted receipt of Fadi's note.

11 ccNSO Council Statement on IANA Consultation KPI Delegation – Redelegation Process

The Chair presented the draft resolution on the IANA Consultation regarding KPI Delgation-Redelegation Process. She explained that even though some of the timelines for the IANA Consultation would be difficult for the ccNSO to meet, she had been assured that the input would still be accepted.

Resolution 83-05:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the draft as submitted by the drafting team, as a ccNSO Council Statement on the IANA consultation KPI Delegation and Re-delegation Process. The secretariat was requested to submit the Statement.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Action 83-02:
The Secretariat to submit the ccNSO Council Statement on IANA Consultation KPI Delegation-Redelegation Process.

12 Working Group and Other Updates

12.1   SOP Working Group

Roelof Meijer reported that the SOP Working Group would start working on the FY14 Budget and Operational Plan and the ICANN Strategy Conversation as well as the framework for the Strategic Plan.

12.2   Framework of Interpretation Working Group

Keith Davidson reported that the Framework of Interpretation Working Group had found it difficult to reach unanimity on the topics of revocation and substantial misbehavior but that the members had now reached consensus on how to move forward.

12.3   Joint ccNSO/GNSO IDN Working Group (JIG)

Bart Boswinkel reported that the JIG Working Group would publish a draft final report on universal acceptance for public comments subsequent to the Beijing meeting, and further submit the report to the ccNSO and GNSO Councils at Durban meeting.

12.4   Finance Working Group update

Byron Holland noted that this topic had already been addressed.

12.5   Meetings Programme Working Group

Vika Mpisane reported that the Meetings Programme Working Group would start looking at the meeting survey results and also start planning the agenda for the Durban meeting.

12.6   Study Group on Use of Country Names

Young-Eum Lee noted that Paul Szyndler had given an update on the Study Group the day before and that a draft final report had been published.

12.7   Contact Repository Implementation Working Group

Bart Boswinkel reported that the Working Group chair had held a presentation during Tech Day and that the members would meet face-to-face the following day.

12.8   Council Working Group Revision of Election Guidelines

Katrina Sataki noted that the Working Group had received some good advice during the meeting week on how to move forward with its work.

Other Updates:

12.9 Requests for Comments/input

Vika Mpisane reported on the disparate requests for public comments that might be relevant for the ccNSO.

12.10 ICANN Outreach Program

Sokol Haxhiu reported that the Global Outreach Program would have a session the following day in Beijing. He noted that some topics of this group were similar to the ones addressed by the ICANN Meeting Strategy Working Group and encouraged members of that group to join the session on global outreach.

12.11 ICANN Academy

Hong Xue reported that the ICANN Academy had completed its final report and presented the results from the survey. She noted that most replies indicated that capacity building and training programs are generally needed, however the ccNSO had shown a contradicting view on this matter.

12.12 10 Years Anniversary Celebration

Vika Mpisane reported that the Celebration Committee would release information on the planned events closer to the Durban meeting.

12.13 Progress ccNSO Statements on IANA Function Consultations

Bart Boswinkel noted that the ccNSO is awaiting new topics for the consultation, which should be public soon.

13 Liaison Updates

13.1 GNSO Liaison

The Chair noted that the Council often had been missing a GNSO liaison report lately and that she would confer with the GNSO Chair regarding this issue.

Action 83-03:
The Chair to liaise with the GNSO Chair regarding the issue with the GNSO liaison to the ccNSO Council.

13.2 ALAC Liaison

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for his timely report on ALAC activities.

14 Elections

14.1 ccNSO Chair

Keith Davidson explained that Lesley Cowley had announced that she would not be able to re-stand for another term as ccNSO Chair due to Nominet commitments, she would however be willing to serve as interim Chair until the end of the Durban meeting, should there not be any other nominations at this point. There were no nominations made.

Vika Mpisane nominated Lesley Cowley as interim Chair as presented. Byron Holland seconded the nomination.

Resolution 83-06:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to appoint Lesley Cowley, .uk as interim Chair until the end of the Durban meeting.

14.2 ccNSO Vice Chairs:

Young-Eum Lee nominated Keith Davidson and Byron Holland as Vice-Chairs for another 1-year term. Lesley Cowley seconded the nominations.

Resolution 83-07:
THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to appoint Keith Davidson, .nz and Byron Holland, .ca as Vice-Chairs for another 1-year term.

15 Date of Next Meetings

The Chair reminded the Councillors of the upcoming Council meeting dates.

14 May 2013 12:00 UTC
11 June 2013 12:00 UTC
17 July 2013 16:00 local time, Durban

16 Thank You to Departing Councillors and Welcome to New Councillors

16.1 Departing Councillors

On behalf of the ccNSO Council, the Chair thanked following departing Councillors for their services to the ccNSO:

Fernando Espana, .us (North American Region)
Paulos Nyirenda, .mw (African Region)
Rolando Toledo, .pe (Latin American and Caribbean Region)

16.2 New Councillors

The Chair welcomed following new members of the ccNSO Council:

Becky Burr, .us (North American Region)
Demi Getscko. .br (Latin American and Caribbean Region)
Abibu Ntahigiye, .tz (African Region)

16.3 Other Thanks

The Chair thanked the sponsors of the ccNSO Cocktail; auDA, Nominet and CIRA as well as CNNIC for hosting the meeting.

The Chair further thanked the Secretariat; Bart Boswinkel; Kristina Nordstrom and Gabriella Schittek for their work.

17 AOB

Peter Van Roste asked the Council whether it would like to comment on the ICANN reputation study on ccTLDs. The Chair suggested that this topic should be added to the agenda for the next Council call.

Action 83-04:
The Secretariat to include the ICANN reputation study on ccTLDs as a topic on the agenda for the Council call on the 14th of May.

The meeting closed.