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# **GNSO IMPROVEMENTS IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM**

**November 2008**

# Recent Developments

- ❖ Aug-Sep: Board decided on Council structure
- ❖ Sep: GNSO Council approved IPT revised plan and structure
  - Policy Process Steering Committee (PPSC)
  - Operations Steering Committee (OSC)
- ❖ Nov: Steering Committee kick-off meetings held (Cairo)



# GNSO: Five Main Areas of Improvement

*Based on input from the independent reviews, a Working Group of the ICANN Board Governance Committee (BGC-WG) identified these areas for improvement.*



# GNSO Restructure

## WG-GCR Recommendations (July 2008)

**Bicameral Voting**  
[Two Houses]  
Contracted Parties  
&  
Non-Contracted Parties  
(see following slide)

**1 Council Level Non-Voting NCA & 1 Voting NCA in each House**

**GNSO Council Chair Elected by 60% of Both Houses**

**Voting Thresholds**  
(see following slide)

**Each Voting House Elects a Board Seat**  
(#13 & #14)

**Broad Representation in Stakeholder Groups**



*Board Approved*



*Under Board Review*



# New GNSO Council Organization: June 2009



*Legend: {} Voting; () Non-Voting*

# GNSO Implem Planning Team (IPT) Structure

Board & GNSO Council

Policy Process  
Steering Committee  
(PPSC)

Operations  
Steering Committee  
(OSC)

PDP  
Work Team

Working Group  
Work Team

GNSO  
Operations  
Work Team

Constituency  
Operations  
Work Team

Communi-  
cations  
Work Team



*Note: Work Teams are prospective pending Steering Committee approval and charters.*

# GNSO Council Action Items

- ❖ Implementation Plan on Council Restructuring By December 11 Board Meeting
- ❖ Oversee Steering Committee Activities
- ❖ Discuss Council Chair Election Process... beyond first ballot
- ❖ Elect GNSO Council Chair
- ❖ Recommend any voting thresholds that might need to be added



# GNSO Improvements Implementation Phases

**Phase 1:** GNSO Council restructuring implementation plan submitted in advance of the Dec 2008 Board Meeting

**Phase 2:** Existing Constituencies submit confirmation documents to the Board for review in advance of the Feb 2009 Board Meeting

**Phase 3:** Stakeholder Groups submit formal plans for Board approval for consideration at the Mar 2009 Mexico City ICANN Board meeting

**Phase 4:** Stakeholder Groups with plans approved by the Board select Council representatives, and the newly structured GNSO Council is seated by the Jun 2009 Asia-Pacific ICANN Meeting

