1. About the ASO: MoU, Global Policy, Address Council

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   - Principles, Roles, Basic Steps
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ASO MoU (dated 21 October 2004)

- Agreement between ICANN and the Numbering Resource Organization (NRO)
- NRO fulfills the role of the ASO
- The NRO Number Council fulfills the role of the ASO
- Address Council
  - Defines the Global Policy Development Process (PDP) as a 15-step process
    - From proposal through adoption by the ICANN Board
    - Based on the RIR’s PDPs... “...the global policy proposal [will] be placed on the agenda for next open policy meeting in each region, in accordance with the applicable policy process...”
Global Policy

- “Global policies are defined within the scope of this agreement as Internet number resource policies that have the agreement of all RIRs [Regional Internet Registries] according to their policy development processes and ICANN, and require specific actions or outcomes on the part of IANA or any other external ICANN-related body in order to be implemented.”*

- For the most part global proposals/global policies determine number allocation policy for requests from the RIRs to the IANA (RIRs receive their number resources from IANA)

*Defined in the ASO MoU (dated 21 October 2004)
Comprised of 15 elected and appointed individuals from all 5 regions

Independent body separate from RIR management and board to:

1. Oversee global policy development
2. Appoint 2 ICANN Board of Directors
3. Serve on ICANN bodies: NomCom, AoC Review Teams
4. Advise ICANN Board on number resource matters
RIR PDP: Principles

Open Forum
- Open Policy Mailing List
- Open Policy Meetings

Transparent
- PDP documented
- Policies documented
- Meetings documented

Bottom Up
- Consensus-based
- RIRs do not dictate policy, they implement
RIR PDP: Roles

Community
– Submit policy proposals
– Discuss policy proposals (in favor or not?)

Consensus Evaluator
– Determine consensus

Board
– Provide fiduciary and process oversight*
– Ratify policy*
*Responsibility shared with WG Chairs in some RIRs

Staff
– Conducts assessments of proposal impacts
– Implement ratified policy
RIR PDP: Basic Steps

1. Community individuals and groups submit a proposal
2. Community discusses the proposal on the mailing list
3. Community discusses the proposal at an open policy meeting
4. Consensus evaluation
5. Last Call
6. Adoption
7. Implementation
Global proposal discussed/presented at all 5 RIRs per their PDPs

- ASO AC members follow and participate in discussions

After adoption by all 5 RIRs proposal forwarded to the ASO AC
Global Process: Overview (cont.)

ASO AC Proposal Review
- Process (RIR PDP) review
- Common agreement among RIRs on common text
- Adequate consideration of viewpoints

ASO AC forwards proposal to ICANN Board for adoption

ICANN Board adopts, and IANA implements
9 Global Proposals (since 2001)
- Adopted and implemented as policy = 6
- Under discussion = 1
- Abandoned = 2

http://aso.icann.org/global-policies/
Global Process: Globally Coordinated Proposal

Review

- Global Proposal
  - Policy about IANA and RIRs

- RIR Proposal
  - Policy about RIRs and their customers
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Closing: Questions and Answers

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How to Participate

Watch the ASO AC site for news about new global proposals
- [http://aso.icann.org/](http://aso.icann.org/)

Participate in the Policy Discussions in your RIR region
- Global proposals are discussed on the RIR’s policy mailing lists and at open policy meetings
- Subscribe and participate on the appropriate list and attend open public policy meetings (remote participation enabled)
  - Open, no membership requirements
  - State your opinion
Participation is Easy!

Subscribe to the RIR policy list(s)
- No membership requirements

Attend RIR meetings
- In person (open, nominal fee)
- Remote (free)
Thank you. Questions?

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