GNSO – ccNSO Comparison Overview
Dimensions

- Scope of activities of SO
- Scope of policies
- Structure of SO
  - Role of Councils
- Relation with TLD operators/managers
- Relation with registrars
- Relation with governments and other stakeholders
## Scope of activities of SO

### ccNSO
- Platform Exchange of information
  - Internal (ccTLD’s)
  - External (other SO’s and AC’s, ICANN as organization)
- Best practices
- Guidelines for interaction between ccTLD’s and ICANN
- Policy related activities
  - Policy development
  - Interpretation of existing policies

### GNSO
- Responsible for developing and recommending to the ICANN Board substantive policies relating to generic top-level domains
- Develops input / advice on any gTLD related issues
- Exchanges of views between stakeholders with very different views and perspectives (contracted & non-contracted)
Scope of Policies

ccNSO

• Very Limited (Annex C)
• Excludes all policies related to registration of second level domain names  -> no role for the ccNSO as such, local matter

GNSO

• Substantive policies relating to gTLDs
• Annex A / PDP Manual
• Scope of “Consensus Policies” is defined in gTLD Registry and Registrar Agreements (‘picket fence’), which includes areas such as: principles for allocation of registered names; resolution of disputes, and; access to contact information (Whois).
## Structure of SO

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<td>• Members (ccTLD managers)</td>
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Role of Councils

ccNSO
- Administrative, managing activities of the ccNSO
- Representational

GNSO
- Decision making
- Manager of PDP
Relation with TLD operators / managers

**ccNSO**
- Members (voluntary)
- Policy only applies to members
- ccNSO does not represent ccTLD’s
- ccNSO recommendation are NOT binding

**GNSO**
- Registry Stakeholder Group
- Per contract, “Consensus Policies” are directly applicable and enforceable by ICANN
Relation with Registrars

ccNSO
- No direct relation
- Local accreditation

GNSO
- Registrar Stakeholder Group
- Per contract, “Consensus Policies” are directly applicable and enforceable by ICANN
Current areas of shared work

- CWG principles – next steps
- JIG – current status / next steps
- Geographic Regions Report – any common views / position?
- Use of country and territory names as TLD’s - next steps
- DNS Security and Stability (DSSA, Risk Framework) - next steps
Shared issues and interests

- Manage joint activities
- How to improve interaction at working group level?
- Interest in ICANN strategic and operational planning and budget?
- Other?
How to move forward?

- Are joint Council meetings still the most effective tool to achieve desired objectives?
- Should other models be explored?