

Independent Reviews



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Independent Reviews - Objective

- Ensure independent examination of the role and operation of key elements of ICANN.
- Conducted in objective manner by independent evaluators.
- Under guidance from the BGC/Board.
- With opportunity for public comment on results of reviews.

Process

1. Staff consults with subject of review & develops draft TOR.
2. BGC considers draft TOR; Board approves posting for public comment.
3. BGC considers final TOR; Board approves for posting.
4. BGC considers process for selecting independent reviewer (normally includes posting of Request for Proposals).
5. BGC implements process for selecting ind. reviewer, with appropriate Board coordination/approval.
6. Independent reviewer conducts review.
7. Independent reviewer submits review to Board & it's posted for public comment.
8. Board considers review & resulting public comment, and BGC recommends follow-up action to the Board.

Comprehensive Schedule

- GNSO review completed Sept. 2006
- Nominating Cmt. – est. launch Dec. 2006
- At-Large Advisory Cmt. – est. launch Feb. 2007
- Board – est. launch Oct. 2007 (revised to June 2007)
- DNS Root Server Syst. Adv. Cmt. – est. launch July 2007
- Security and Stability Advisory Cmt. – est. launch Jan. 2008
- ccNSO Supporting Org. – est. launch July 2008
- Address Supporting Org. – est. launch December 2008

GNSO Review

- Independent review completed Sept. 2006.
- Public and constituency comments on review solicited, considered by BGC.
- Board/community discussions and GNSO Improvement Forum at ICANN Lisbon meeting.
- 'BGC GNSO Review Working Group' created 30 March 2007 to guide development of comprehensive set of recommendations to improve the effectiveness of the GNSO, including its policy activities, structure, operations and communications.
- See Roberto Gaetano's BGC report for more information.

GNSO Review

- 19 June 2007, BGC WG posted -- for discussion with BGC and the community, in San Juan and on line -- a working draft and supporting documents.
- Includes discussion of areas of emerging agreement, possible recommendations, and questions that need to be addressed.
- Send input to **<gnso-improvements@icann.org>**.
- BGC WG will consider all input and prepare final draft for public comment and consideration by the BGC.
- BGC will consider the WG report and public comments, and finalize its recommendations on GNSO improvements for Board action.

Nominating Committee Review



- Launched Dec. 2006 with staff development of draft Terms of Reference (TOR).
- Draft TOR posted for public comment.
- 'BGC NomCom Review Working Group' created 30 March 2007 to guide this review and subsequent development of improvements.
- Final TOR and RFP posted.
- Interisle Consulting Group, LLC selected by BGC to conduct independent review; contract signed this week; work to begin immediately.



At-Large Advisory Committee Review

- Launched Feb. 2007 with staff development of draft TOR.
- Draft TOR posted for public comment.
- Final TOR and RFP posted 20 June 2007.
- ‘BGC ALAC Review Working Group’ will be created to guide this review and development of subsequent improvements.
- Independent reviewer proposals requested by 23 July 2007; email to [<rfpalac@icann.org>](mailto:rfpalac@icann.org)

DNS Root Server Syst. Adv. Cmt. Review

- Launch scheduled for July 2007 with staff development of draft TOR.
- Draft TOR will be posted for public comment.
- Final TOR and RFP will then be posted.

More Information

- Information and updates on all reviews found under “Current Topics” on ICANN homepage:

<http://icann.org/reviews/index.htm>

- Comments/questions welcome:

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Thank You