PDP-WT Update

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Objective

The PDP-WT is responsible for developing a new policy development process that incorporates a working group approach and makes it more effective and responsive to ICANN’s policy development needs. The primary tasks are to develop:

1. Appropriate principles, rules and procedures applicable to a new policy development process; and
2. An implementation/transition plan
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Taking into account that a new PDP:

1. Is better aligned with the contractual requirements of ICANN’s consensus policies
2. Emphasizes pre-PDP launch work to narrow define issues
3. Be more flexible
4. Provides for periodic assessment
5. Contains rules, processes and procedures that are more effective and efficient leading to informed policy development process.

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New PDP Stages (under discussion)

- Planning and Initiation of Issues Report
- GNSO Council Proposal Review and Initiation of the Policy Development Process
- PDP Working Group Procedures and Support
- Voting and Implementation
- Assessment of Policy Effectiveness and Compliance

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Approach

- Breakdown of each stage into different phases & questions
- Weekly calls to discuss each stage and address questions
- On-line survey for each stage to allow for input from all WT members
- Report for each stage, incl. draft recommendations
- Incorporate all stages + overarching issues in new PDP

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Overarching PDP Issues

Timing  Translation  Definitions
Challenges

- PDP is complex process with many interconnections that require in-depth understanding and discussion
- WT has suffered from lack of participation and input, but has been able to move forward thanks to a core of dedicated and knowledgeable members
- Hardest part not over yet – coming to consensus on overall PDP and by-law changes

WT is discussing possibility of face to face meeting in early 2010 to ensure broad participation, get to consensus on new PDP and speed up overall process

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Further Information

• PDP WT Work Space - https://st.icann.org/icann-ppsc/index.cgi?pdp_team
Questions?