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Coordinator: Excuse me, this is the operator. Thank you for holding. This conference is being recorded. And if you have any objections, you may disconnect at this time.

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(Ann Akman-Carise): Wolf, hi this is (Anne Akman-Carise). And I called in late - for the first hour. But I just wanted to note as an alternate I am participating for J. Scott for IPC.

Stephane Van Gelder: Okay, let's get this session started. Welcome everyone to Singapore. And I feel like I'm talking to myself, but I'll just carry on. I'm happy doing that.

So we'll start with a session that follows on from the previous one. And Wolf was going to give us an update on the standing committee in just a second.

I just want to start by saying a few housekeeping details, giving you a few housekeeping details. First of all, councilors you will have noticed that you don't name tags in front of you. So I hope you can all remember your names.

There will be some name tags coming. We just haven't worked them out quite as yet. So bear with us.

And as you all know, this evening is going to be, or today in fact is going to be quite busy for us. This afternoon our last session will be one with the board.

We will then have drinks, informal drink session with the board. I forget what it's called. I think it's called a social event.

And then we will go, just the council, got to have an informal, and the staff of course, thank you Mary, have an informal dinner so, that Mary Wong has arranged for us. I'm sure it will be perfect.

So those are the plans for today. If you have any questions or anything that you need to know, please come see me or Glen and we'll try and help you out as much as we can.

And as usual, although I don't think it's a problem here, I would stress if there's any problems getting to the table at any stage, please give GNSO councilors priority during these sessions for seating arrangements. (Unintelligible) there's lots or room.

Man: Thank Stefan.

Stephane Van Gelder: No problem. Okay. With that having been said, operator can you please start the session? I was expecting some kind of a response. But maybe you just need to say that and it happens.

So Wolf, want to update the council on the work that you've been doing?

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben: Yes thank you. It's Wolf-Ulrich Knoben speaking. I would like to update the council, sure Stephane. But I would like, in order to be effective (is answer), I wonder whether we have different council members available at the time being as we have in the (SCI) meeting?

So may I ask council members who did not join the (SCI) meeting who is here, who did not be present, who wasn't present at the (SCI) meeting because, you know, then I, in a different way I'm going to present it?

Stephane Van Gelder: So the first think you're going to do is try and show people up?

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben: No. I would like to be effective, you know, because the (SCI) is the one dealing with effectiveness (on occasion) and.

Stephane Van Gelder: Well I don't think Jeff was there.

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben: Okay thank you. Anyway, I will do my best to present the work of our standing committee on improvement implementation.

What it is we do, so the (SCI), (Standing) Committee on Improvement Implementations was established on the basis of a (consensus) decision. And it's - since then it was chartered in corporate first.

And after this charter has been approved by the council, we have two meetings already. So the second one was just before this meeting here.

The group itself, the (standing) committee, consists of members of all of the GNSO stakeholder groups and constituencies. And plus we have members from two constituencies in formation as well.

And we are going about to ask for a liaison to (A leg) as well. So we have until now two meetings. And in between we had also election of a chair and a vice-chair.

I myself, I am the Chair of this group. And Avri Doria is the elected Vice-Chair. And what we are dealing with in our work for this group is the first a working program.

And talking about the working program, it's what is laid down in the charter of this group. According to the charter this group should deal with the recommendations already implemented during the process of here - to it's improvement process of the GNSO.

And they should look at how effectively and are those recommendations implemented and what are the is - what may be the issues with those recommendations implemented.

So they (vote) first just cutting that. And it was very clear. And according to the charter the issues which may raise, or which could be raised with regard to those recommendations could come from the council itself or from a group which has been chartered by the council.

And the - for the group it was also clear that they should deal only with recommendations which have been - have got their approval. So that means for example, there was one example, the PDP, new recommendations for the PDP process.

They are still underway in the public comment period. They are also still out of scope of this group, but out of in scope of this group.

What we - we're also talking about is two ways the group should act. And the one is in a more reactive way. And according to the charter they may be also a more proactive in order - in periodically reviewing the recommendations and scope.

The - this regards to the reactive way. So that means if one group or the council comes up and (unintelligible) for example, which happened in the past with regards to the root of procedures, proxy voting or absentee voting or what else.

Then they could refer to this group. And we will just establish a checklist, brief checklist, in a more formal way of what should be the content of that. And that you could deal with those matters within those - within the group.

Another point was in order to get a feeling how other groups have - how the experiences of other existing working groups with regards to the recommendations implemented and where they have been touched (with).

So that they should contact the (GNSO)'s working groups in order to exchange views on that and in order to ask the experience or to learn it from that and maybe to come up with some ideas of improvements.

The other ideas were okay, in advance, we could do something advance to more - in a more proactive way for example to check the acceptance of the tool kit available implemented.

(Budget is) alter question, what - at what stages we should come up with that. So at the end of the discussion this morning it came out very clear that at first, let me say at first, we should more or less work in a more reactive way.

So if problems come up from those groups in scope, then they should refer to the (SCI). We will provide the kind of formalized checklist of what should be brought up. And then we should - we shouldn't do from the (day), we shouldn't start with a proactive work in this respect.

So we may have a meeting, every public ICANN meeting, depending on the issues and the items which are to be dealt with in this respect. And so that's it. Thank you.

Stephane Van Gelder: Thank you very much Wolf. Sorry, I'm moving my donuts out of the way. Thank you very much Mr. Nevitt. Are there any questions? No.

Jeff Neuman: I'm back. This is Jeff Neuman. I don't have a question. I think we're going to talk about it a little bit more when we go over the PAP work team report. I think that's tomorrow because I think it's in a comment period now.

I fully expect comments to be filed. I fully expect some issues that may be brought up. And so we'll just need to talk about whether we refer those issues back to the PDP work team.

Or whether we can still move forward with implementing the rest of the recommendations and maybe either having the PDP work team address those remaining issues or whether we have it addressed by the (SCI).

So I think, I don't have any questions now. I just think we'll probably talk about it more tomorrow.

Wolf-Ulrich Knoben: Wolf-Ulrich Knoben speaking. Just to comment on that Jeff, it was discussed this morning and it was the team was of the opinion that, you know, in the process of implementing recommendations we have different stages.

So we have constant improvement on the one hand side. But we have on the other side also to some extent formal approval by the board. I think from the PDP is to be approved by the board as well, you know.

So we were of the opinion that we should really, we, as a group, as the (SCI), we should really wait for any activity with regards to the PDP for the board approval. Which doesn't mean that if the council is of the opinion well to start implementation of the PDP. That could be done.

But we (wouldn't) like to deal with comments on the existing process right now. If something comes up with questions with regards to the implemented part of the PDP, that's a different thing.

Stephane Van Gelder: Thanks Jeff, any further questions on this? Well most, I think most people were in the room Wolf when you present - when you had your session earlier on.

So obviously most people probably would have discussed the main points with you then. And we have some councilors that will be arriving. So we may have questions later with regards to this.

Let's just give it five more minutes. If anyone does want to discuss any of the Standing Committee's work any further. And if not we'll take a brief recess and that would be (wrap) recommendations in five minutes. Is that okay?

Okay thank you. This session ends and we will start again in five minutes.

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