

# Report of the ccNSO meeting in Vancouver, Canada

## **0. INTRODUCTION**

The ccNSO is pleased to present its report for the meeting in Vancouver, Canada on 30 November and 1 December 2005.

Represented at the meeting were 62 ccTLD managers and several dozen observers. All of those present express their appreciation for the work done in facilitating the meeting by the members of the local host organising committee.

## **1. UPDATE ON ccPDP**

The ccPDP Issue Manager, Bart Boswinkel, advised that ccNSO members had recently voted in favour of adopting the recommendations outlined in the ccPDP Members Report. A Board Report has subsequently been prepared and accepted by the ccNSO Council and will be submitted to the ICANN Board for due consideration.

The Issue Manager also provided a useful analysis of the lessons learned from the ccPDP and suggested possible changes to the process for consideration.

## **2. ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORKS**

There was discussion of the Accountability Frameworks Working Group's Interim Report which the ccNSO Council recently released for comment until 9 December 2005. Considerable work had been undertaken by the working group in developing the Report, which had also relied on discussions undertaken on this issue in other fora.

## **3. ANYCAST ROOT SERVICES**

Shinta Sato from JPRS and John Crain, ICANN's Chief Technical Officer, made very informative presentations on issues associated with anycast. Board Member Suzanne Woolf also attended the discussion and assisted in answering questions arising from the presentations. The presentations elicited considerable discussion among the group.

## **4. ccNSO IANA WORKING GROUP**

A very productive session was conducted with IANA staff and presentations from the new IANA staff of David Conrad and Kim Davies were well received. The ccNSO looks forward to continuing IANA improvements and communications with IANA staff on ccTLD issues.

## **5. ICANN STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Chair provided an update on the current status of the strategic plan and spoke to a number of items contained in the draft plan which will be of direct relevance to the ccNSO.

## **6. REPORT FROM ccNSO APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS**

Peter Dengate Thrush and Demi Getchko provided members with an enlightening update on their Board experiences.

## **7. UPDATE FROM WORKING GROUPS**

The Budget Working Group recently received a communication from ICANN providing advice on elements of the budget which are associated with the ccTLD community. The communication provides a starting point for the group to consider their work. The WG will shortly send out the letter to members for comment.

The Fee Apportionment Working Group is currently considering the merits of four possible models: voluntary banded; non-voluntary banded; per domain name; and expenses of a ccTLD. This work will be progressed between now and Wellington.

## **8. ICANN/VERISIGN PROPOSED AGREEMENT**

A very informative session was conducted on this issue with Paul Twomey and Vint Cerf providing useful background information on the process followed in arriving at the current comment period on the proposed agreement. Members suggested that the communication of the situation could have been better managed within the community which may have resulted in less static at this meeting.

## **9. MEGA REGISTRANTS**

An informative session was conducted on the experiences of .ca and .au with megaregistrants and the way these ccTLDs manage these issues.

## **10. ccNSO SECRETARIAT**

Representatives from .tw made a presentation to the group about providing a secretariat for the ccNSO.

## **11. INTERNATIONALISED DOMAIN NAMES**

A very useful session was conducted on IDNs. Presentations were made by Hiro Hotta on the brief history and contentious issues of IDN and by Charles Shaban focusing on its IPR aspects. Tina Dam advised the group of work being undertaken within ICANN and provided an update on the IDN workshop conducted during this meeting and looks forward to continuing dialogue on this issue.