



Get to know the ccNSO

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Country Code Names Supporting Organization

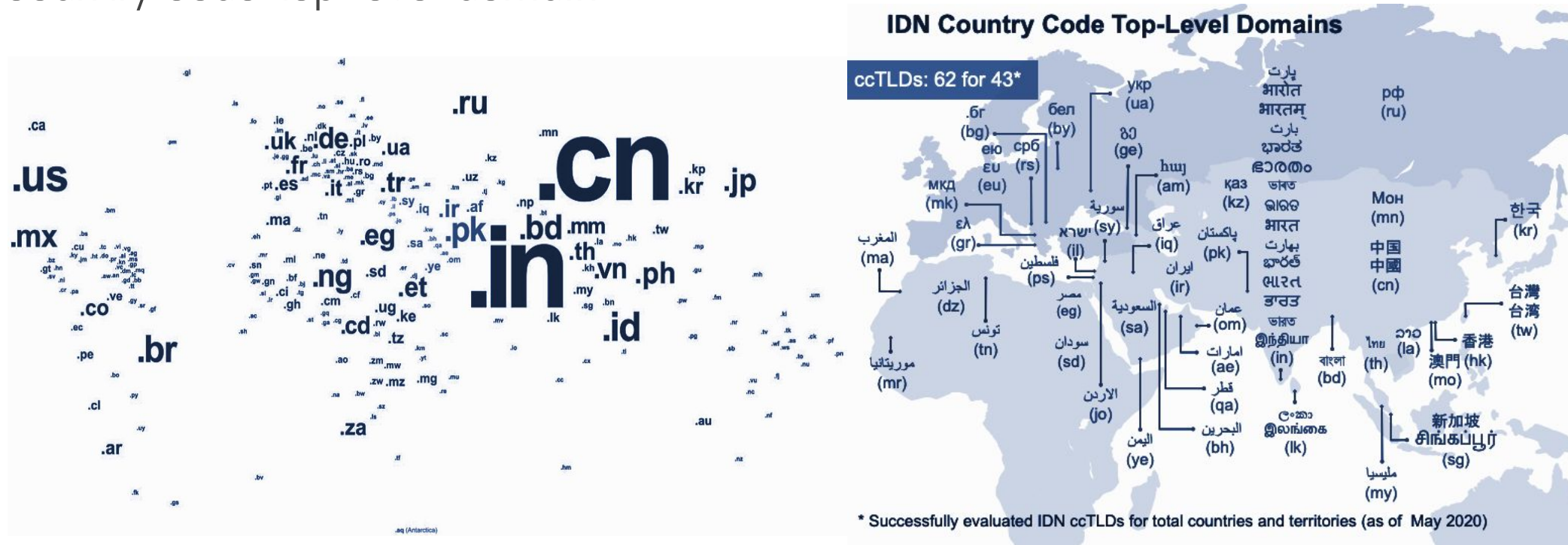




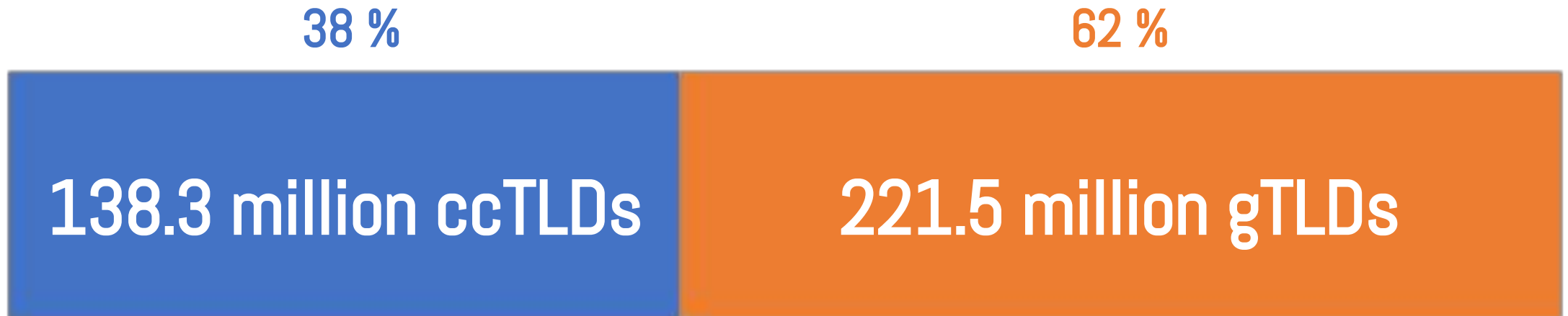
Introduction to the ccNSO

What does ccNSO stand for?

- **ccNSO:** Country Code Names Supporting Organization
 - Created for and by ccTLD managers.
- **ccTLD manager:** organization or entity responsible for managing a ccTLD
- **ccTLD:** country code top-level domain



Why are ccTLDs important?



7 of the **top 10** largest TLDs are ccTLDs:
.com, **.cn**, **.de**, .net, .org, **.uk**, **.nl**, **.ru**, **.br**, **.au**

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Purpose and Goal

Undertake policy, and policy-related work

- Evolve the global policies that serve ccTLDs in the ICANN environment, consistent with ccNSO values and the needs of ccTLDs.

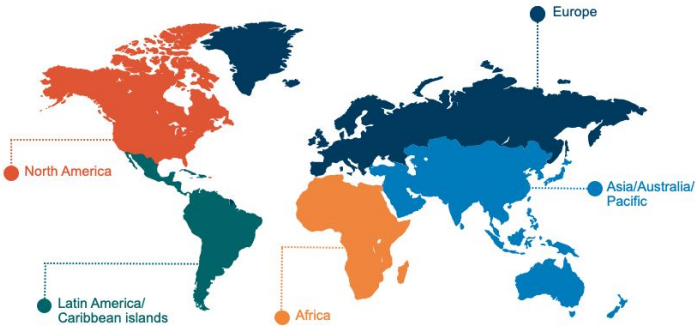
Cooperate and learn

- Support the growth and development of ccTLDs around the world through the exchange of information and ideas and building strong relationships.

Engage with other stakeholders

- Contribute to ICANN's broader work on its core mission and responsibilities, to advance ccTLD perspectives and interests.

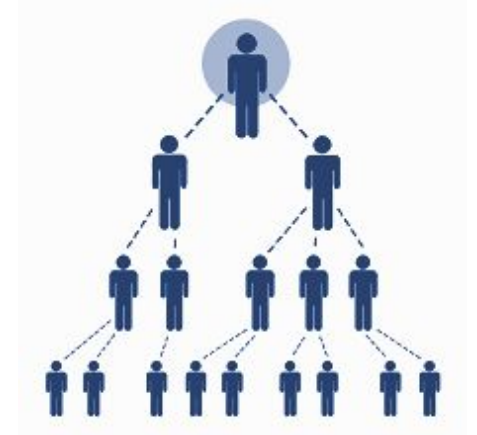
What makes ccTLDs different?



Region



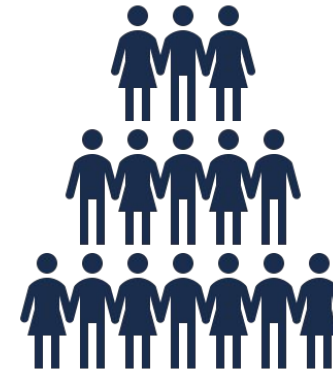
Governance Model



Registry Model



Number of Domains

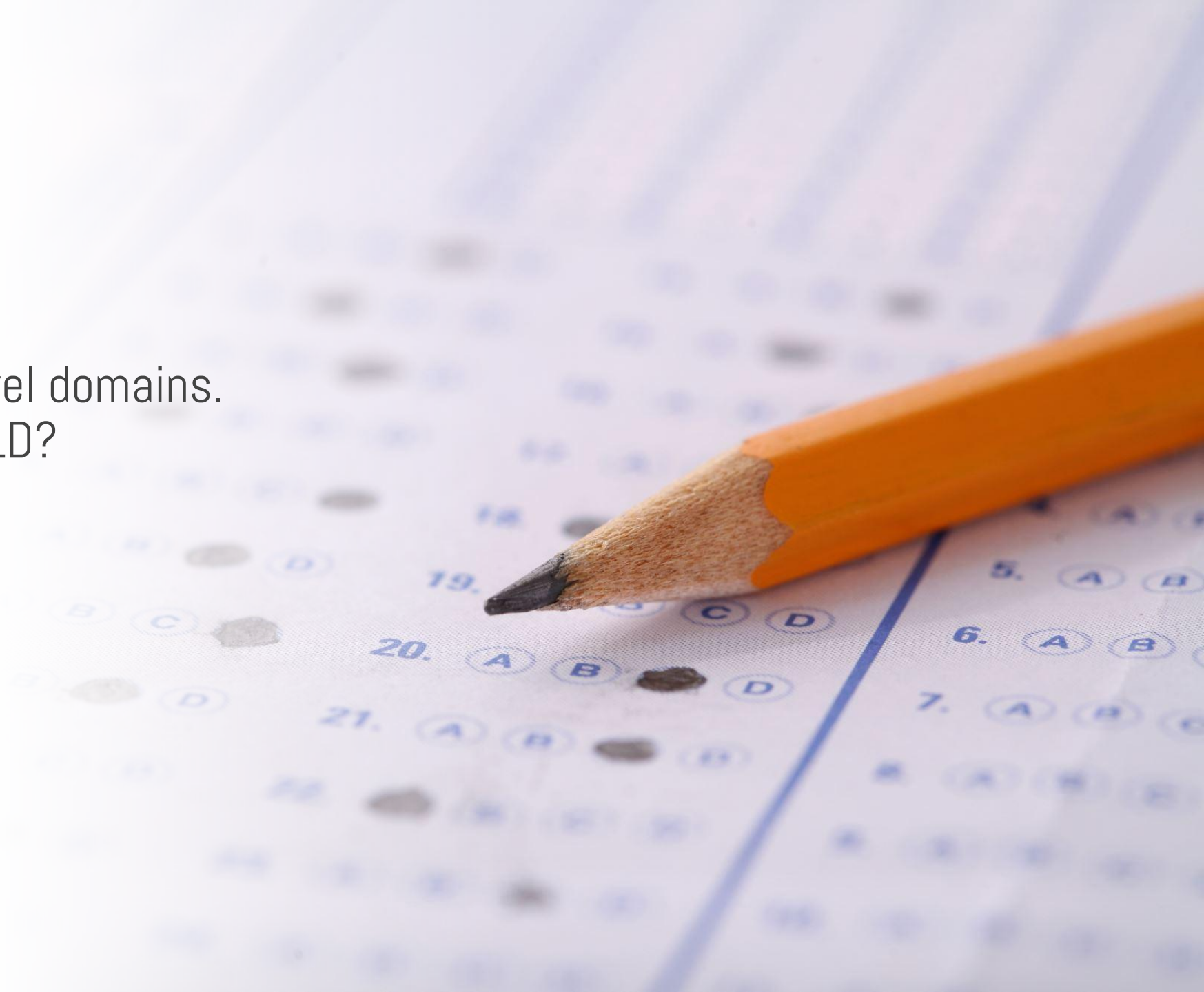


Number of Employees

Quiz

Below is a list of top-level domains.
Which one is NOT a ccTLD?

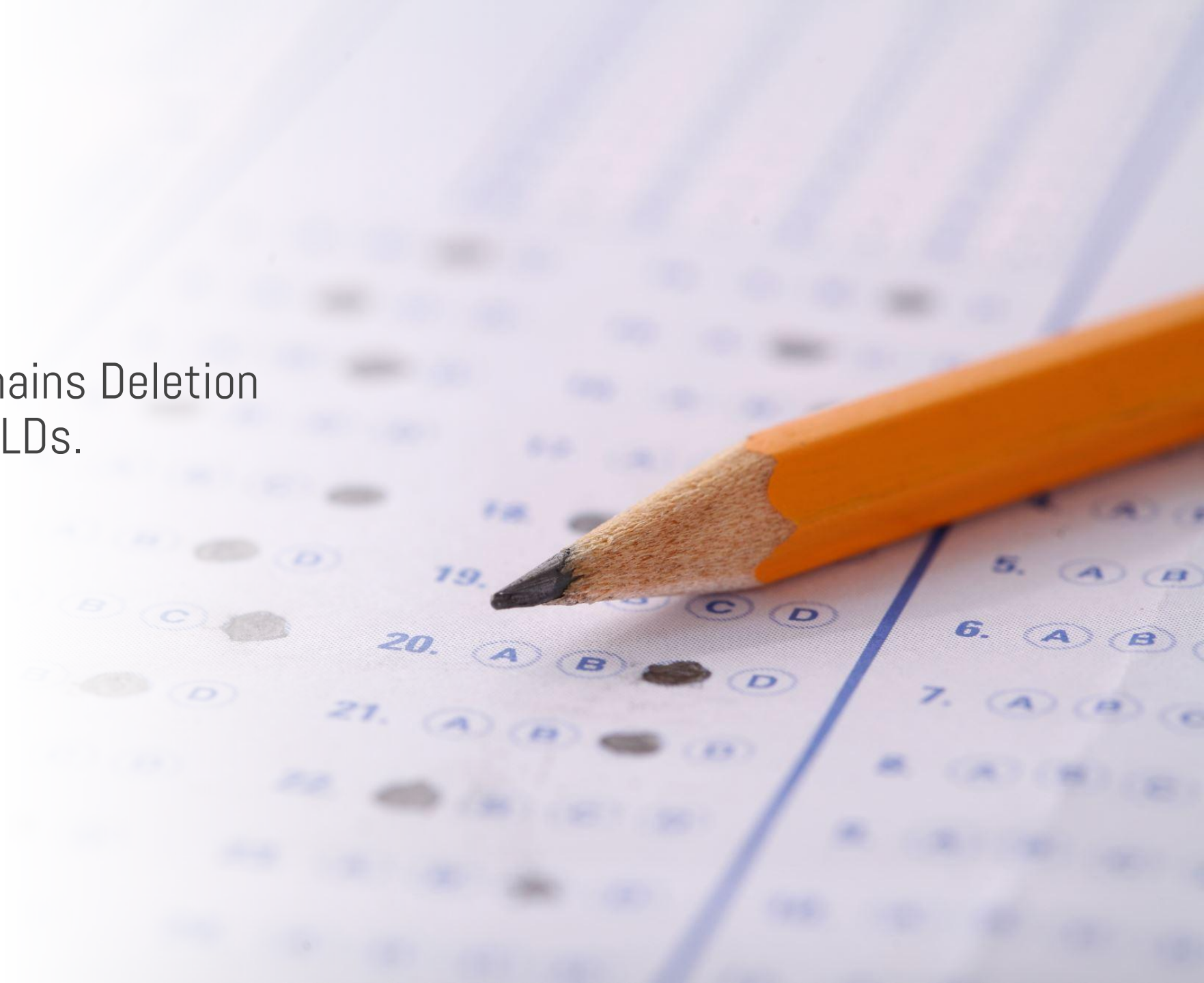
- 1) .me
- 2) .com
- 3) .us



Quiz

The ccNSO Expired Domains Deletion Policy applies to all ccTLDs.

- 1) True
- 2) False





Composition of the ccNSO

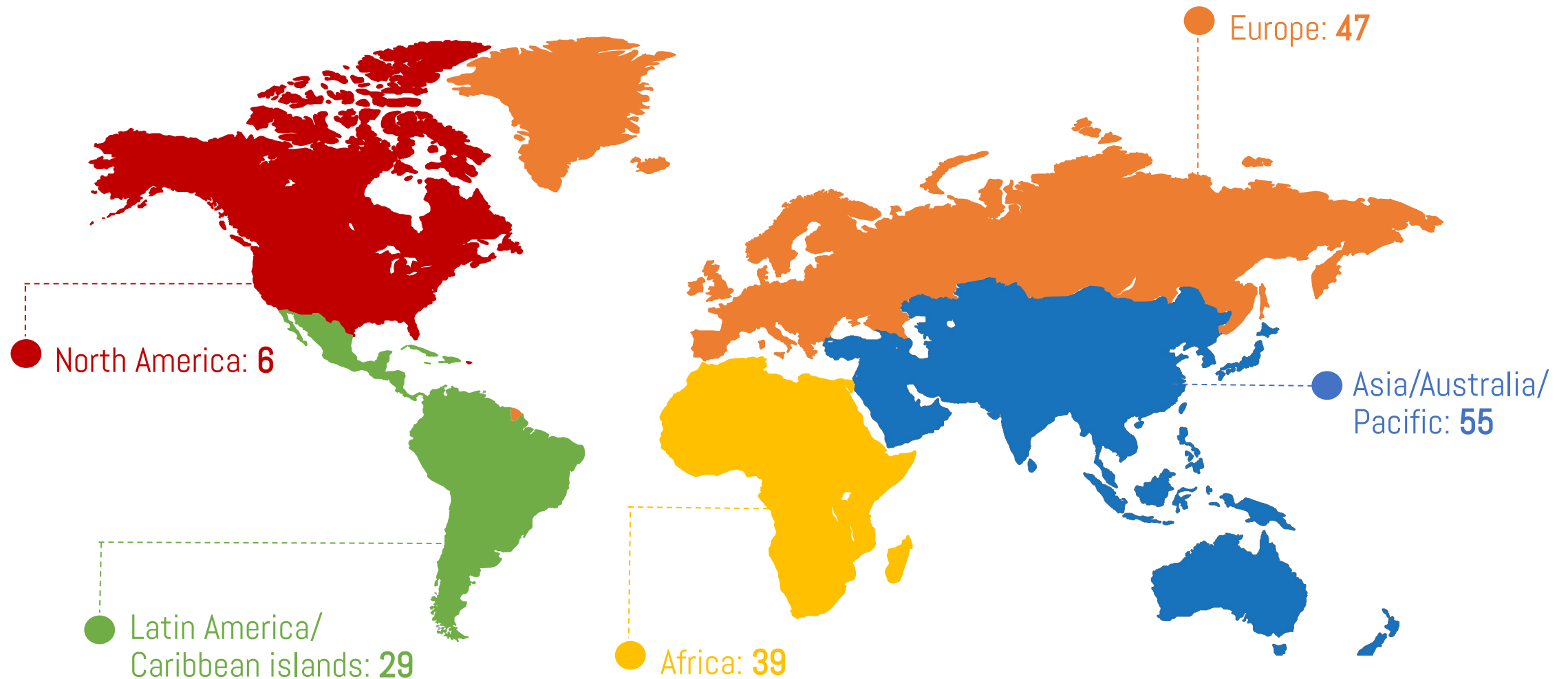
Composition of the ccNSO



ccNSO Members: ccTLD managers that have agreed in writing to be so.

ccNSO Council: administers and coordinates the affairs of the ccNSO.

176 ccNSO members (16 February 2024)



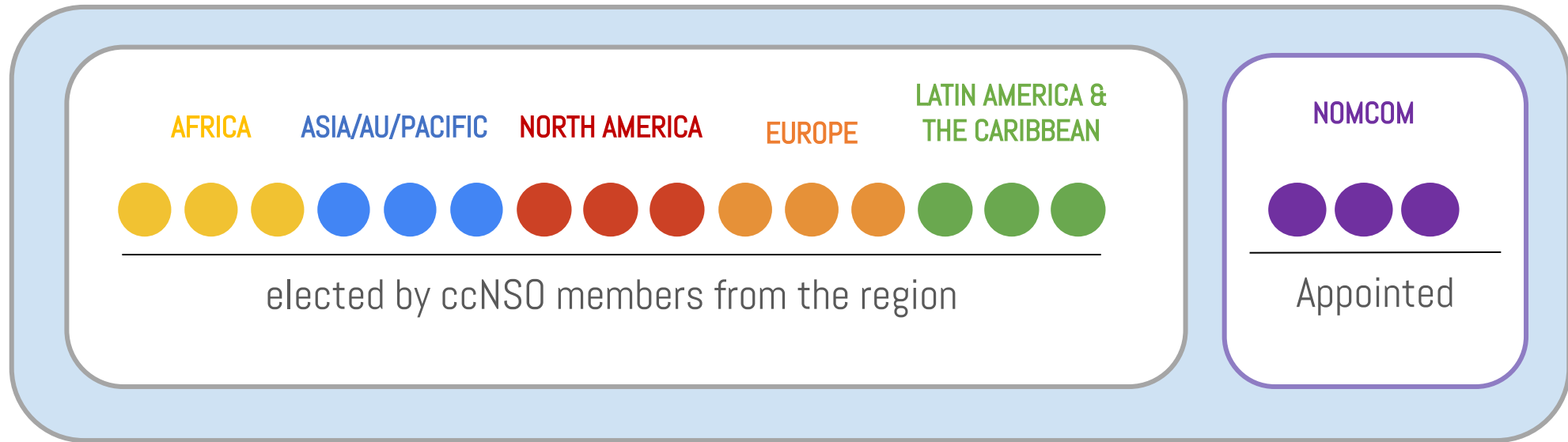
Benefits for ccNSO Members

- Selecting:
 - ccNSO Councilors
 - Members of the ICANN Board
- Voting on the global policies within the scope of the ccNSO
- Make your voice heard in the ICANN community
- Share experiences and information

What does the ccNSO Council do?

- Administers and coordinates the affairs of the ccNSO.
- Manages the development of policy recommendations.
- The Councilors are actively involved in:
 - Setting the course of the ccNSO
 - Leading and participating in various ccNSO working groups
 - Engaging the community in topical issues
 - Developing positions based on community input

Who sits on the Council?



GNSO
liaison



ALAC
liaison



Regional Organizations Observers



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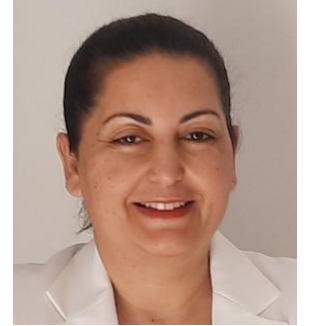
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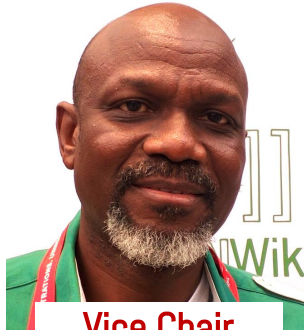


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Quiz

Which of the statements below is correct?

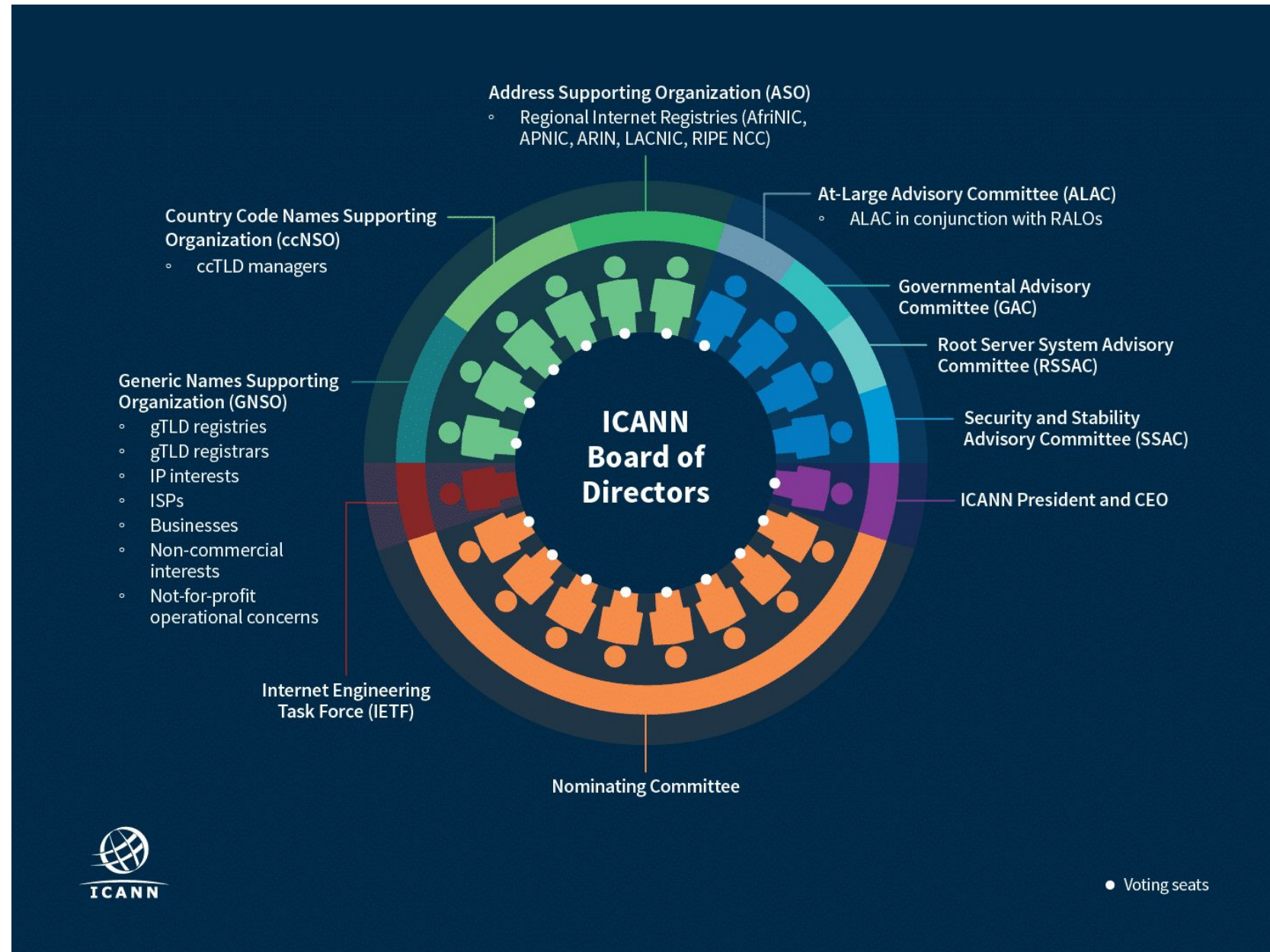
- 1) A ccTLD manager is the CEO of a ccTLD registry.
- 2) A ccTLD manager is an organization or entity responsible for managing a ccTLD and is listed as such in the IANA Root Zone Database.



How does the ccNSO fit in the ICANN structure?

Board Seat 11: Patricio Poblete, .cl

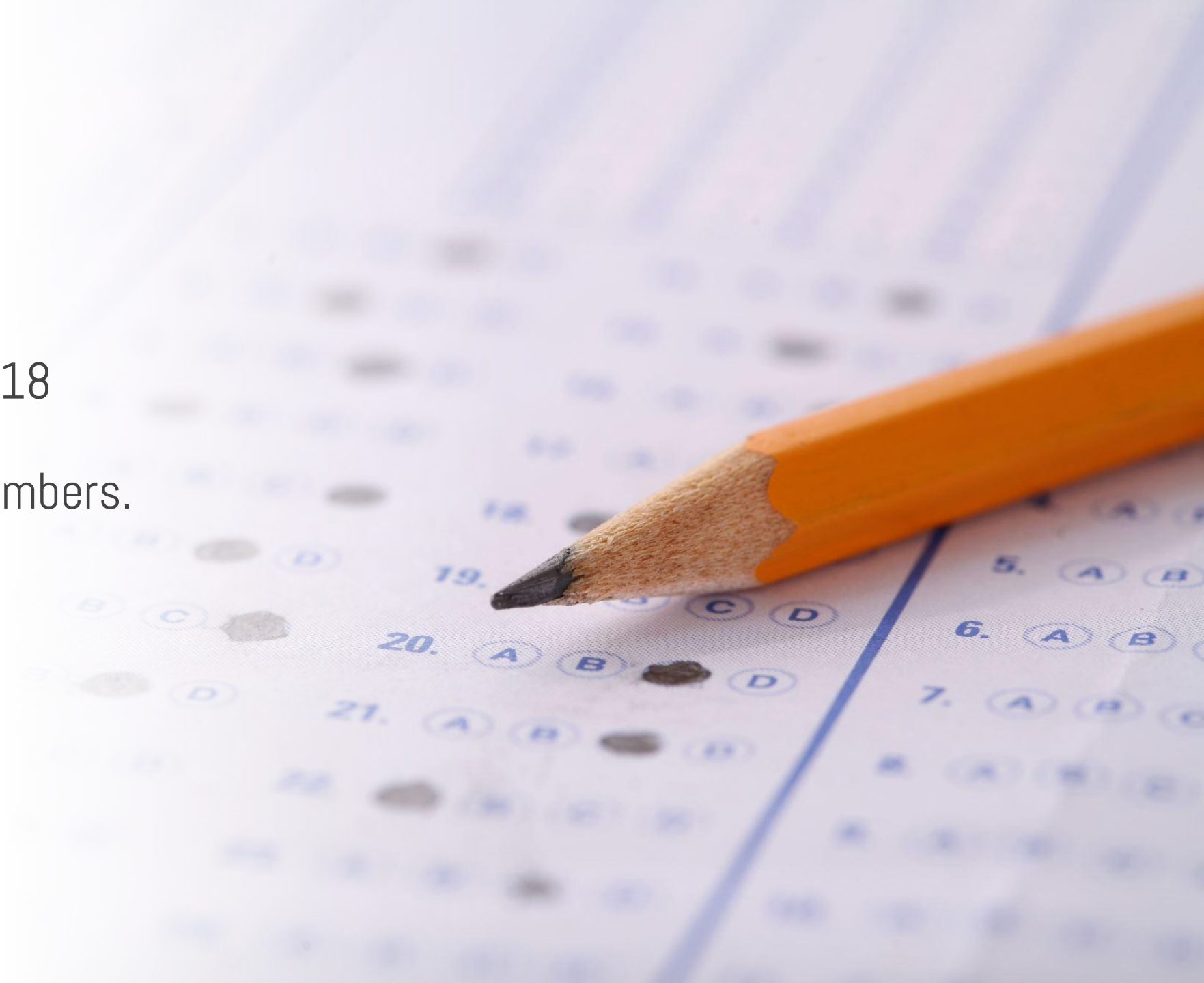
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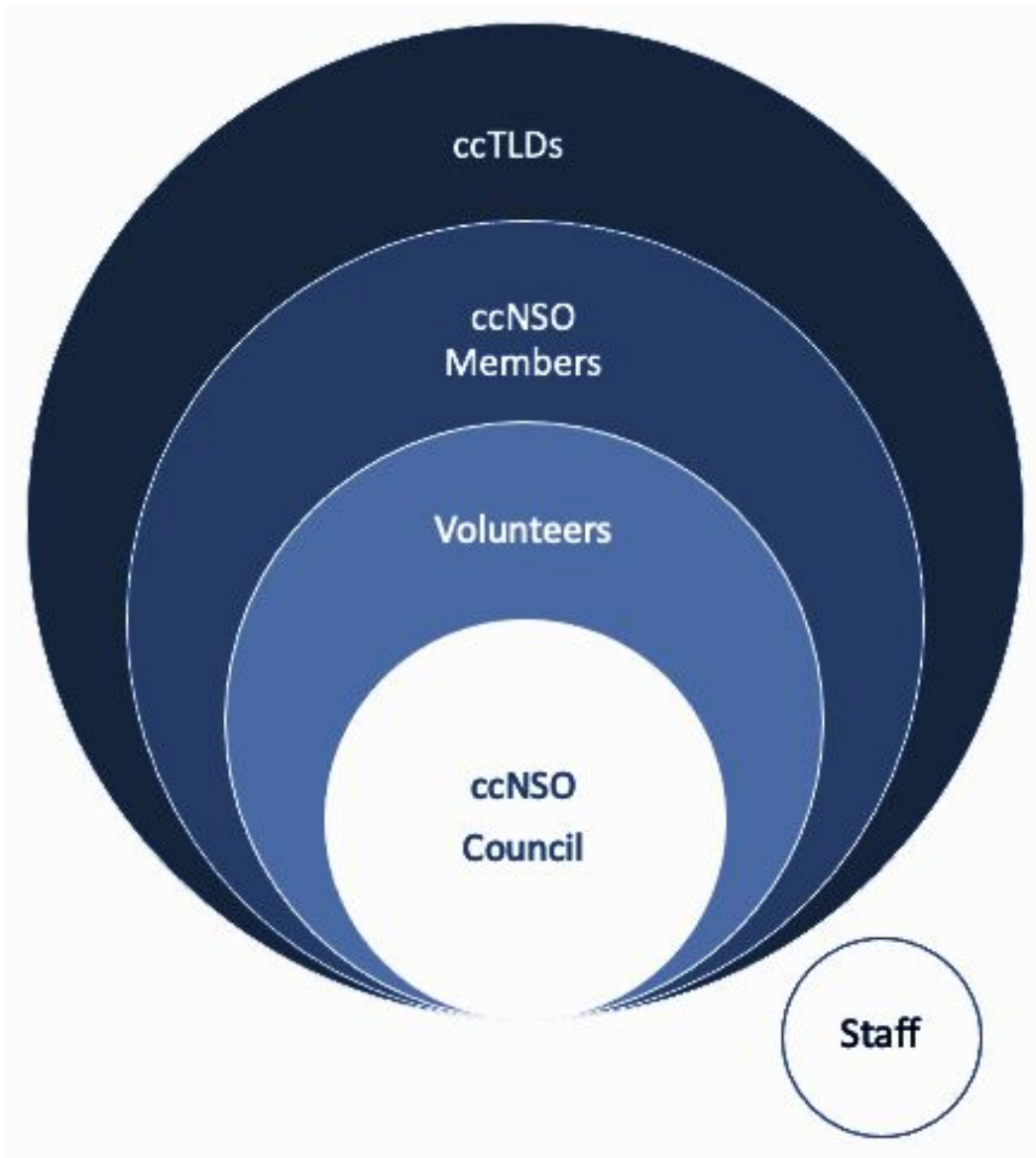
The ccNSO Council has 18 councilors, all of them appointed by ccNSO members.

- 1) True
- 2) False





Participate in the work of the ccNSO



Who can be ...

... ccNSO Member?

Any entity responsible for managing a country-code top-level domain, who has agreed in writing to be a ccNSO member

... ccNSO Volunteer?

Any ccTLD representative

... ccNSO Councillor?

Anyone who has been:

- nominated by a ccNSO member
- seconded by a ccNSO member (same region)
- elected by ccNSO members (from that region)

ccTLDs contributing to the work of the ccNSO

- Attend sessions
- Vote (members only)
- Answer surveys
- Give a presentation
- Use the ccNSO mailing lists
- Join a ccNSO Working Group or Committee
- Join the TLD-OPS mailing list
- Apply for a position on the ccNSO Council



Can I join a ccNSO Working Group or Committee?

- Membership is open to all those associated with a ccTLD manager, regardless of ccNSO membership
- Depending on the scope and charter of a ccNSO Working Group or Committee, those affiliated with other ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees are welcome to join as observers



Which topics does the ccNSO address?

Relevant to ccTLDs globally:

- Security and stability of services
- Internet Governance
- Legislative initiatives
- Operational best practices
- Other

Also: internal ccNSO Governance



ccNSO policy development

- **ccPDP3 Retirement** of ccTLDs
- **ccPDP3 Review Mechanism** for decisions pertaining to:
 - delegation,
 - transfer,
 - revocation and
 - retirement of ccTLDs
- **ccPDP4 IDN** to define the criteria, process, and procedures for (de)selecting Internationalized Domain Name country code Top Level Domain strings (IDN ccTLDs)
 - The results of this ccPDP4 will eventually replace ICANN's IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process.

Working Group or committee highlights

Read the latest on <https://community.icann.org/x/4QciCw>

DNS Abuse Standing Committee (DASC)

- New: online repository with useful resources for ccTLDs: <https://bit.ly/3NWcua6>
- 2022 survey to better understand the ccTLD landscape, and better serve ccTLDs: <https://bit.ly/3XL07Ak>
- ICANN78: email list launched

TLD-OPS Standing Committee (TLD-OPS)

- TLD-OPS is the incident response community for and by ccTLDs and brings together folks who are responsible for the overall security and stability of their ccTLD
- Developed a Disaster Recovery Playbook: hands-on guideline for smaller registries

Universal Acceptance Standing Committee (UASC)

- New Committee, addressing the need of ccTLDs provide the ccTLD community to create a platform to interact and share information at a global level and with other groups under the ICANN umbrella on topics related to UA and acceptance of IDNs.

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Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)

- Aim of the Committee is to coordinate, facilitate, and increase the participation of ccTLD managers in ICANN and PTI's strategic and operational planning processes and related budgetary processes
- SOPC submitted comments on Draft PTI FY25 Operating Plan and Budget and Draft ICANN FY25 Plans

Meetings Programme Committee (MPC)

- Planning for ccNSO members meetings. Next: ICANN79
- Session to highlight: ccTLD News

ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC)

- Coordinates, facilitates, and increases participation of ccTLDs in discussions and processes pertaining to Internet Governance
- At ICANN79: session on Internet Fragmentation, and why it is relevant for ccTLDs

Technical Working Group (Tech Day)

- Planning for Tech Day. Next: ICANN79

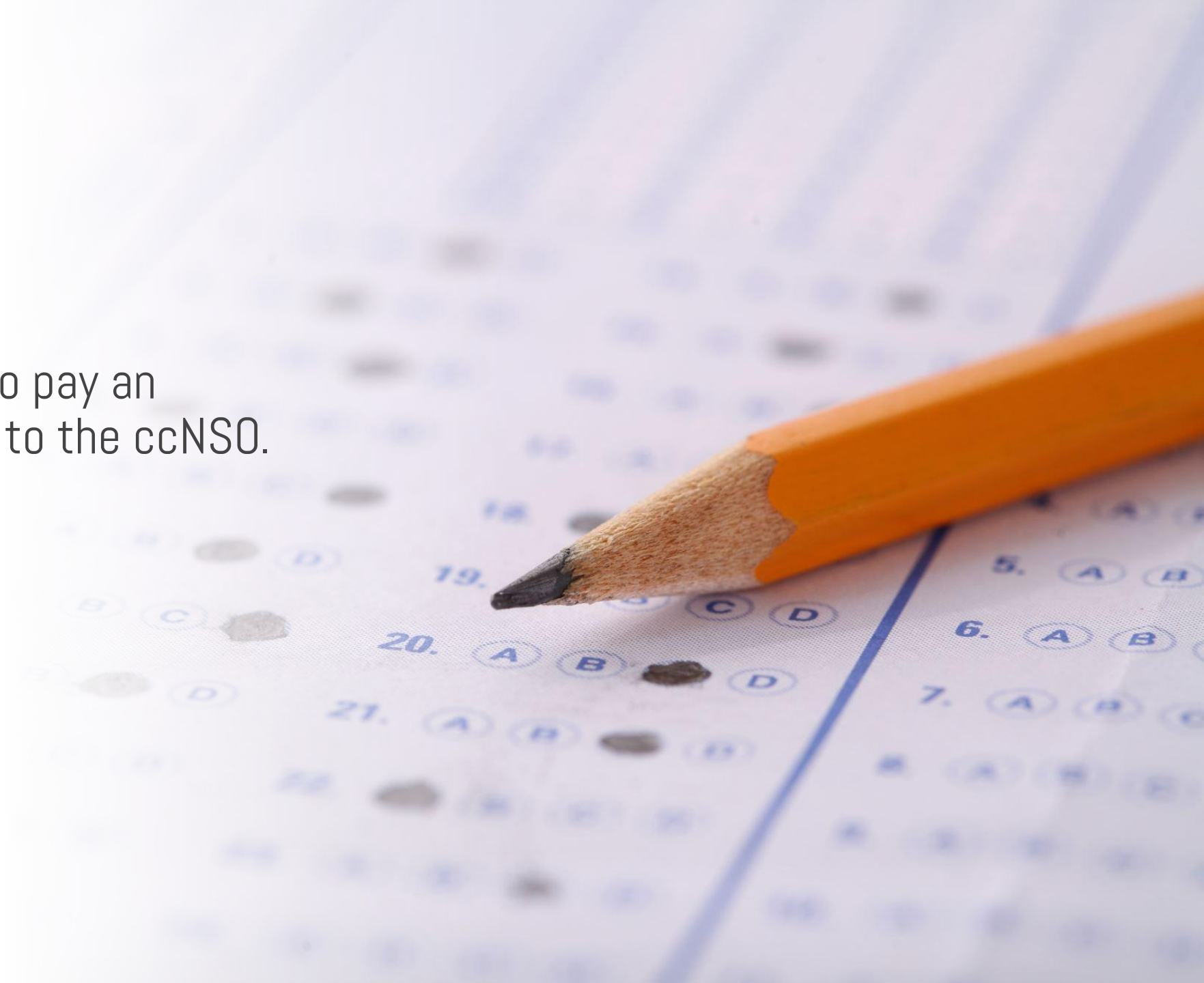
Guidelines Review Committee (GRC)

- ccNSO governance
- Next work items include: Implementation framework, SOI/COI proposals, simplification ccNSO guidelines, and more

Quiz

ccTLD managers need to pay an annual membership fee to the ccNSO.

- 1) True
- 2) False



Quiz

Which of the following statements is false?

- 1) The ccNSO provides a unique platform to share information and be informed about practices by ccTLDs on a global level.
- 2) When an organization becomes a ccNSO member, ICANN imposes its policies on the daily operations of my ccTLD.
- 3) The ccNSO gives the opportunity to support and participate in the ICANN multistakeholder model.





How to keep up to date with the ccNSO?

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community.icann.org/category/ccnso



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Meet with Councillors, ccNSO members
& the Secretariat



ccnsossecretariat@icann.org

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ccNSO

Quiz

I am very active in the internet industry, but I am not affiliated with a ccTLD manager. Am I eligible to join a ccNSO working group or committee?

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) It depends





The ccNSO at ICANN79

ccNSO at ICANN79

* ccNSO sessions with interpretation (AR, EN, ES, FR)

Sat, 2 March	Sun, 3 March	Mo, 4 March	Tue, 5 March	Wed, 6 March	Thu, 7 March
GRC workshop (1 of 2) 09:00-10:00	ccNSO Council working session: gap analysis [C] 09:00-10:00	ICANN79 Opening Ceremony & Community Excellence Award 09:00-10:00			
GRC workshop (2 of 2) 10:30-12:00	ccNSO Council workshop: Roles & Responsibilities, succession planning [C] 10:30-12:00	* Tech Day 10:30-12:00	Next Round new gTLDs 10:30-12:00	* Internet Fragmentation 10:30-12:00	* ccTLD News Session 10:30-12:00
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UAC working session 13:15-14:30	IGLC working session 13:15-14:30	Tech WG working session 13:15-14:30	* Tech Day 13:15-14:30	Q&A ICANN Exec. 13:15-14:30	* Policy Gap Session (1/2) 13:15-14:30
DASC working session 15:00-16:00	SOPC 15:00-16:00	TLD-OPS (1/2) 15:00-16:00	* Tech Day 15:00-16:00	* Policy Gap Session (2/2) 15:00-16:00	* Meeting with ccNSO-appointed ICANN Board members 15:00-16:00
Registrant Capacity building working session 16:30-17:30	CSC 16:30-17:30	TLD-OPS (2/2) 16:30-17:30	* Tech Day 16:15 -17:30	* ccPDP4 IDN ccTLD selection Update 16:30-17:30	* IANA/CSC 16:15 -17:30
			ccNSO Cocktail 19:00-22:00		



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ccNSO Session Highlights

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