



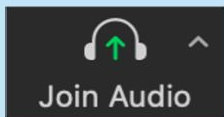
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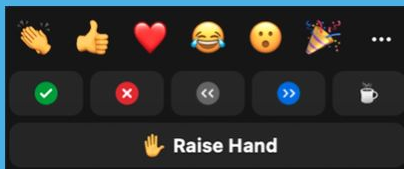
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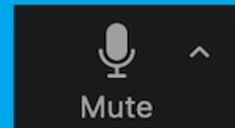
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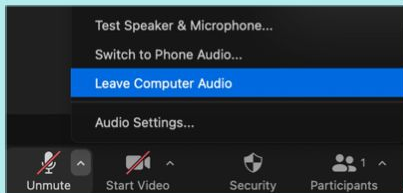
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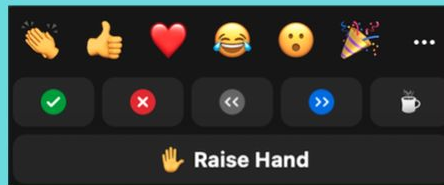
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ICANN82 ccNSO Members Meeting - Day 2

POLICY GAP ANALYSIS

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ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Update and Consultation Session

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Agenda

1. Background and role
 - a. Why the Policy Gaps Analysis Working Group (PGA-WG) was established
 - b. Working Group membership
2. Work & output
 - a. Overview Document – reminder to the community
 - b. The issues identified and how to deal with them
 - c. Priority issues for future work
3. Your feedback please!
4. Next steps

1. Background and Role - why the PGA-WG was established

1. .LB case highlighted a potential gap in the global policy framework (June 2023)
2. Ad-hoc group of ccNSO Council members established after ICANN 77
3. Agreed at ICANN 80 in Kigali that a more formal, transparent structure needed
4. Policy Gaps Analysis Working Group formed (first meeting August 2024) to
 - a. Prepare an overview of policies and guidance related to ccTLDs
 - b. Identify possible gaps in current policy/guidance/practices
 - c. Advise ccNSO Council whether to act (and if so how) on any gaps identified

1. Background and Role – Working Group members

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Observers:

Sagar Gupta (observer)

Experts:

Kim Davies (PTI)
Selina Harrington (PTI)

2. Work & output to date

Building on informal group's work and community discussions up to ICANN 81:

1. Published an Overview Document of existing policies and guidance to create a useful community resource (shared with community at ICANN 81)
2. Assess IANA list of potential gaps and available methods to fill them (sharing with the community today)

2. Work & output to date: The Overview Document

The Working Group created an Overview Document to bring all the elements of the existing policies, practices and guidance together in one place.

The Overview Document is now a community resource, helping anyone understand the whole framework of policy, practice and guidance that shape how IANA and ccTLDs relate to each other.

We introduced the document at ICANN 81 and had it open for comments or feedback to 17 January 2025.

One positive response was received, and so the document was finalised by the WG in February.

2. Work & output to date: List of potential gaps/issues

The Working Group analysed a list of potential gaps (in policy, or practice, or guidance) identified by IANA and shared with the WG.

- IANA Public Records - the purpose of these records, data quality maintenance, graduated enforcement
- IANA's role (if any) in disaster recovery for ccTLDs
- Eligibility check before changes
- Resignation of a ccTLD manager
- Requests for confidentiality
- Local presence requirements - the requirements and minimum level of involvement

2. Work & output to date: Working methods to address gaps

The Working Group discussed what working method would best apply to dealing with these issues.

Our conclusion was the next step for any of the issues should be a **Study Group**.

- A Study Group will allow a dedicated team to develop a full understanding of the issue, and to ascertain whether any further action is required.
- Study Group findings will give clarity about the nature of the issue, and may provide practical guidance to IANA and to ccTLDs

If a Study Group decides that a Policy Development Process is required, their work will provide a strong foundation for such a PDP, shortening the time required to do it.

2. Work & output to date: Prioritisation process

The Working Group considered three main factors in prioritising the list of issues:

- The impact of the issue on ccTLDs
 - bigger positive impact = higher priority
- The amount of work involved
 - less work = higher priority
- IANA's priority of the issue's importance

The Working Group discussed these and the issues, and settled on two priority issues for future work.

2. Work & output to date: Priority Issues for Future Work

The Working Group recommends two priority issues be considered by two Study Groups:

1. IANA Public Records
 - Purpose of public records
 - Data accuracy
 - Graduated enforcement of requirements
2. IANA role in ccTLD disaster recovery

3. Your feedback

To inform the Council's decisions on next steps, we welcome your feedback.

- Do you agree with the Working Group's recommendations?
 - the two priority topics?
 - the Study Group approach?
- Do you have any other feedback about the WG's work on policy gaps?

4. Next Steps

ccNSO Council will discuss the WG's recommendations this week.

The WG will prepare a closure report that sets out its work and conclusions, and detailing the follow up work:

- Council to maintain the Overview Document
- Chartering and recruitment of the study groups
- How to receive future input about potential gaps

8 Months of Work (Aug-2024 to Mar-2025) - **Mission Accomplished!** 🎉

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