

ICANN Board Public Forum Action List - Prague June 2012

Topic	What we heard	What we said we would do	What we have done
ICANN Structure after the new gTLDs	It is a key issue, various GNSO groups are studying it, regarding both the GNSO and regarding ICANN generally	We will request each community group, supporting organisation or advisory committee to prepare 1 page of notes on the impact of their structure and ICANN.	
		We will hold an open session in Toronto to review these notes and answer questions.	Most groups have responded and the responses have been posted at a special address on the site: http://www.icann.org/en/groups/reviews/new-gtld
Communications	We need to come to the community for input, advice and help.	We received a variety of comments regarding our communications processes.	Substantial changes in our communications are underway. We consider this "heard and responded to." We fully expect everyone to watch closely and continue to comment.
Registrar Accreditation Agreement	A few significant issues are still outstanding, most particularly WHOIS verification and data retention. There are a few other structural issues regarding the changing marketplace created by the vertical integration and methods for changing the agreement. There is also a significant amount of discussion from parts of our community about privacy issues. Some disparity points of view about to what extent when law enforcement requests are involved, there is also a balancing with privacy matters. Consideration of the GAC offer for advice for	Facilitation of further discussion regarding pending issues of various stakeholder groups. Consideration of the GAC offer for advice for privacy considerations from privacy authorities. Staff will continue negotiations with registrars to attempt to generate a new draft agreement before the Toronto meeting.	The main issues in the RAA revolve around the requests from the law enforcement, the intellectual property and the privacy communities regarding WHOIS. Extensive negotiations have taken place and will be discussed in the public session scheduled for Monday 15 October in Toronto - http://toronto45.icann.org/node/34197
Ethics and Conflicts of Interests	What sanctions or legal steps could be taken against Directors or Staff after they leave the organisation and what policies are in place for the staff.	We will wait until the end of the public comment period (28 July) which is in progress. We will publish documents incorporating recommendations for public review and approve any changes by Toronto.	This item will be on the agenda for the board on Thursday for discussion.
WHOIS review	Varying views on the recommendations from 'implement all the recommendations' to 'implement none of the recommendations'.	Encourage public input on the final report and recommendations and request all SO & ACs provide input to the Board by 31 August. CEO has been asked to consider the public comment and community input to assess the recommendations and other WHOIS related proposals under discussion and evaluate the feasibility of and the potential implementation paths for each recommendation and provide the Board with guidance and advice on the report. Staff have been asked to report by 31 July on guidance on feasibility.	Comments have come in from several groups, including SSAC. There will be more discussion during the week and it will be an agenda item for the public Board meeting on Thursday.
Planning Cycle	There are too many priorities and projects, there is a lack of measurable goals, the cycle is not conducive to providing useful input.	The cycle needs to change, consensus that the main problem is on the operations plan comment and reply timing. Staff currently working on suggested changes to timing cycle.	The new CEO has looked at a number of the projects and at the planning processes for the Operating Plan, Budget and Strategic Plan. Simplification is in process.
Internet Governance	ICANN needs to be engaged at WCIT and a coherent strategy needs to be developed within ICANN regarding internet governance issues.	We continue to work with staff on strategy and are happy to have more discussion on this.	Extensive activity. With the addition of Tarek Kamel and focused attention on the entire global relationship team, ICANN is carefully engaging with all parties.

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Application Funds received	It's not ICANN's money. When will applicants get their money back? What will happen with auction funds? What are we going to do about all that?	We are going to recognise that we are stewards of this money. We acknowledge the questions however it is too early in the application process to consider exactly what the actions are going to be. When we have a better understanding of the financial picture, we will carefully consider, consult and report and have a full and careful process of dealing with the funds. We will build a roadmap which will detail the next steps and timelines, assess implications to applicants, assess risk to the program. We will open an applicant comments process and provide opportunity for community input. We have set a new gTLD Program Committee call to assess progress and report back to the community.	It was suggested at the last meeting that ICANN collected more money than it needs for the new gTLD program and we should give back the excess to the applicants. We will not know the actual operational costs until the program is completed and risk reserves will need to remain in place for some time after that. We are committed to a full accounting of the revenue and costs associated with this program, and we will make a separate decision about the disposition of any excess funds at the appropriate time.
Batching	That the solution has to be equitable. That the evaluation results have to be announced at the same time. That successful applications should proceed to delegation phase without undue delays. Delegation to the root must be at a smooth rate and must not exceed 1,000 per year.	There will be no digital archery.	http://www.icann.org/en/groups/board/documents/resolutions-new-gtld-27jul12-en.htm
		We will evaluate all applications and move them to the next phase as soon as practical.	A proposal for processing applications through to the delegation step is now open for public comment (http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/drawing-prioritization-10oct12-en.htm)
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IOC and Red Cross	We heard some assertions that the new gTLD Program Committee had rejected GNSO recommendations on further protection at the top level for IOC and Red Cross. And from the GAC, that the Board should consider protections for this organisation at the top level and at the second level.	ICANN denied the IOC reconsideration request 12.1 and ICANN instructed staff to review and report back on all inputs that have been provided on this issue including previous public comment period, community input in Prague, additional input from the IOC and Red Cross, status of GNSO work following Board decision and GAC input if any.	Protections are in place for the IOC and Red Cross. The new gTLD Program Committee recently took the following action: http://www.icann.org/en/groups/board/documents/resolutions-new-gtld-13sep12-en.htm