

ccNSO Council Meeting Buenos Aires
20 November 2013

Attendees:

African Region

Vika Mpisane, .za
Souleymane Oumtanaga, .ci

Asia-Pacific Region

Keith Davidson, .nz (Vice-Chair)
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Young-Eum Lee, .kr

European Region

Lesley Cowley, .uk (telephone)
Roelof Meijer, .nl
Katrina Sasaki, .lv

Latin American and Caribbean Region

Victor Abboud, .ec
Margarita Valdes, .cl
Demi Getschko, .br

North American Region

Becky Burr, .us
Byron Holland, .ca (Chair)
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi

NomCom Appointees

Sokol Haxhiu
Jordi Iparraguirre
Hong Xue

Regional Organisations

Carolina Aguerre, LACTLD
Don Hollender, APTLD
Barrack Otieno, AfTLD

Observers and Liaisons

Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Liaison to the ccNSO (on behalf of Cheryl Langdon-Orr)
Ron Sherwood, ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC (telephone)

ICANN Staff

Bart Boswinkel
Kristina Nordström
Gabiella Schitteck

1 Apologies

Apologies for this meeting were received from Patrick Myles and Cheryl Langdon-Orr.

2 Minutes and Actions

Gabriella Schitteck ran through the action items from the previous meeting on 8 October.

Action 88-01:

Gabriella Schitteck to send a note to the Council with the link to the Council meeting preparation material on the ccNSO website.

Completed

Action 88-02:

The Secretariat to arrange for the Study Group on Use of Names for Countries and Territories resolutions to be adopted on the Council email list.

Completed

Action 88-03:

The Secretariat to arrange for the resolution on appointing the volunteers for the joint ALAC/ccNSO meeting to be adopted on the Council email list.

Completed

Action 88-04:

Hong Xue to send the Chair a copy of the ICANN Academy curriculum for the leadership training in Buenos Aires.

Completed

Action 88-05:

Bart Boswinkel to follow up on the progress of the ccNSO statements on IANA delegation and re-delegation of ccTLDs and on the Geographic Regions Working Group report.

Overtaken by time

3 Updates

3.1 Chair Update

The Chair reported on his participation in the recent IGF meeting in Bali as well as in the SO/AC chairs meeting prior to the ICANN meeting.

3.2 Vice-chair Update

Keith Davidson reported on his participation in the Australian as well as the Bali IGF meeting. He also mentioned his work with the FoI Working Group and the ISOC Board.

3.3 Councillors and Regional Organisations Update

Don Hollender introduced himself as the new manager of APTLD.

Several Councillors and Regional Organisation representatives reported on their recent activities.

3.4 Staff Update

No updates were noted from the staff support.

4 Membership Applications

Roelof Meijer reported on the recent membership ccNSO applications from .vn, the ccTLD of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and from .ee, the ccTLD of Estonia.

Resolution 89-01:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to approve the application of both .vn and .ee and welcomes both .vn and .ee as members 143 and 144 respectively.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

5 Final Report Joint ccNSO-GNSO IDN Working group

Young-Eum Lee reported on the proposed resolution to adopt the JIG final report on universal acceptance of ccTLDs. She also reported that the JIG group now has submitted final reports on all three of its topics and therefore suggests for the Working Group to be closed.

Resolution 89-02:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the JIG Final Report on Universal Acceptance of IDN TLDs and its recommendations and will submit it to the ICANN Board for its consideration.

The ccNSO Council thanks the JIG for its work, with special thanks to Jothan Frakes for his contributions in proactively reaching beyond the ICANN community to address issues identified in the report.

The ccNSO Council recognises that further work needs to be done in relation to IDNs, in particular IDN variants and universal acceptance of IDNs and asks the JIG to put forward suggestions on how to deal with these issues and deliver these suggestions to the ccNSO Council by the ICANN Singapore Meetings in March 2014.

The ccNSO Council requests its chair to inform the chair of the GNSO of the decision of the ccNSO, and the co-chairs of the JIG accordingly, and submit the report to the Board of Directors of ICANN together with the chair of the GNSO, when the report of the JIG is adopted by the GNSO.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Action 89-01:

The Chair to inform the chair of the GNSO of the decision of the ccNSO, and the co-

chairs of the JIG accordingly, and submit the report to the Board of Directors of ICANN together with the chair of the GNSO, when the report of the JIG is adopted by the GNSO.

6 Final Report Joint DNS Stability and Security Analysis Working Group (DSSA)

The Chair reminded the Councillors of the background and work of the DSSA Working Group and noted that the Chairs of this group had decided to close the group with its first report due to the formation of a similar group that overlaps the works of the DSSA.

Roelof Meijer expressed regret over the decision to close the DSSA Working Group since he thought the member could have covered these topics in a unique and interesting way but noted that he was still supportive of the resolution.

Resolution 89-03:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to adopt the report submitted by the co-chairs of the DSSA Working Group, as the Final Report of the working group in accordance with section 2.4 of its charter.

The chair of the ccNSO was requested to inform the co-chairs of the DSSA Working Group of adoption of the report by the ccNSO Council.

The chair of ccNSO was also requested to inform the chairs of the other participating SOs and ACs (ALAC, GNSO and NRO).

Finally, the ccNSO Council thanked and congratulated all, and in particular the co-chairs of the Working Group: Olivier Crepin-LeBlond (ALAC), Joerg Schweiger (.de, ccNSO), Mikey O' Connor (GNSO), James Galvin (SSAC) and Mark Kosters (NRO) and all volunteers and staff who helped with this effort.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Action 89-02:

The Chair of the ccNSO to inform the co-chairs of the DSSA Working Group as well as other participating SOs and ACs of adoption of the Report by the ccNSO Council.

7 Final Report Finance working group

The Chair handed over the chairmanship of this agenda point to Keith Davidson who asked Byron Holland to speak to this topic in his capacity of the Finance Working Group chair.

Byron noted that the Finance Working Group had done extensive work to resolve the issue around financial contribution to ICANN from ccTLDs, resulting in the suggested model that had been presented to the community. He thanked the Working Group members for their great work and also thanked other community members that had been part of the discussion.

Several Councillors expressed their appreciation to Byron and his team for their extensive work.

Resolution 89-04:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to note and welcomed the exemplary, long and intensive consultation efforts and process the Finance Working Group went through to gather input and feed-back from the community.

The ccNSO Council noted and welcomed the letter from ICANN's CEO and President on the overall level of the financial contribution and the voluntary nature of the contributions.

The ccNSO Council adopted the proposed November 2013 Guidelines for Voluntary Contributions of ccTLDs to ICANN, and requested the chair of the ccNSO to inform the CEO and President of ICANN accordingly, once the guidelines becomes effective.

The ccNSO Council requested its support staff to publish this resolution as soon as possible after closure this ccNSO Council meeting.

In accordance to the rules of the ccNSO, the November 2013 Guidelines will become effective seven days after publication of the decision by the Council.

Finally, the ccNSO Council wholeheartedly thanked and congratulated all who participated in the process and in particular the chair of the Finance Working Group, Byron Holland, .ca, and the members of the Finance Working Group, as well as Xavier Calvez (ICANN CFO) and other staff, and all members of the community who were involved in this long and sometimes challenging effort.

The resolution was passed unanimously by acclamation.

Action 89-03:

The Chair to inform the CEO and President of ICANN of the adoption of the Guidelines for Voluntary Contributions of ccTLDs to ICANN.

Action 89-04:

The Secretariat to publish the adopted resolution on the Guidelines for Voluntary Contributions of ccTLDs to ICANN as soon as possible after closure this ccNSO Council meeting.

8 Next steps to identify potential issues and propose pertaining to cross regional capacity building

This agenda point was deferred to the next Council meeting on 10 December.

9 ccTLD representation on the 3 IG Tracks:

The Chair shared his recollection of the 3 IG tracks and noted that Mathieu Weil and Carolina Aguerre had both offered to keep track of the developments on behalf of the ccNSO.

The Councillors agreed that the intention of the 3 IG tracks was rather unclear and that further information would be needed in order to discuss it further.

Action 89-05:

The Chair to consult the other SO/AC Chairs to gain more clarity on the purpose of the 3 IG Tracks, and report back to the Council in two weeks time.

10 Working Group and Other Updates

10.1 Meetings Program Working Group

Katrina Sataki reported on the work that the Meetings Program Working Group is currently doing to improve the ccNSO Members Meetings. Since the group has an opening for another member she encouraged anybody who would be interested to join the group, or share any thoughts and ideas about improvement of the meetings.

She further thanked Alejandra Reynoso for setting up the Google calendar for the ccNSO Meetings.

10.2 Contact Repository Implementation Working Group (CRI)

Bart Boswinkel reported that the Contact Repository Implementation Working Group had published a report on the contact repository initiative. He noted that a survey would be sent out to the community shortly.

10.3 Election Review Council Committee

Katrina Sataki reported that the Election Review Committee had met face-to-face in earlier the same week. She noted that the report had been updated to reflect the latest changes in the election process and that it would be sent to the Council prior to the Singapore meeting.

10.4 Quorum Study Group

Katrina Sataki reported that the Quorum Study Group had met a few times to discuss the quorum issue and that a report would be published prior to the Singapore meeting.

10.5 Other updates:

ICANN Outreach Program

Sokol Haxhiu reported that the discussions within the Outreach Program had among other things concerned digital engagement and how to find the best calendar system for upcoming events. He noted that there would be a session the following day in which these topics would be addressed.

ICANN Academy

Hong Xue reported on the Pilot Leadership Program for SO and AC leaders which had been held for the first time prior to the Buenos Aires meeting and had received positive feedback. She noted that this would become an annual event and that the Working Group had been discussing the possibility of extending the program to include other community members as well.

Bart Boswinkel noted that any Councillor comments regarding the ATRT should be sent to him within the next two weeks in order for him to compile them.

11 Council Election update

Gabriella Schittek reported that the nomination period for the Council Election had ended in November and that it had been slightly extended in the North American region due to lack of nominations and seconding.

She noted that following people had be re-appointed for their respective regions:

Victor Abboud, .ec (LAC region)

Hiro Hotta, .jp (AP region)

Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi (NA region)

She further noted that elections would be held in the European and African regions, starting on the 29th of November to the 13th of December.

12 Board Selection Seat 11 update

Gabriella Schittek reported that Chris Disspain, CEO of AUDA had been nominated and seconded as the only candidate in the ccNSO election for Board seat number 11. Gabriella noted that she would provide a report of the nomination process prior to the next meeting and that the Council would be requested to formally select the Board member at that time.

13 Update Work Plan

Bart Boswinkel noted that an updated workplan based on the outcome of the Buenos Aires meeting would be send to the Council shortly.

14 Liaison Updates

14.1 GNSO Liaison

Gabriella Schittek noted that Patrick Myles was attending the GNSO Council meeting which was being held at the same time. The Chair noted that Patrick's reports have been very helpful and fulsome and encourage the Councillors to read them for an overview of the current GNSO activities.

14.2 ALAC Liaison

The Chair thanked Ron Sherwood for his written report to the Council. Ron noted that a report on the ALAC activities in Buenos Aires would follow in the next report.

15 Date of Next Meetings

The Chair reminded the Councillors about upcoming Council meeting on 10 December 2013 at 12.00 UTC.

Bart Boswinkel noted that the Council call schedule for 2014 would be established shortly.

Action 89-06:

The Secretariat to set a schedule for the upcoming Council meetings in 2014.

16 AOB

The Chair noted that Sokol Haxhiu would step down as member of the Travel Funding Committee and that Victor Abboud had offered to replace him. The Chair thanks Victor for taking on this task.

17 Thank you

The Chair noted that Sokol Haxhiu would step down from the Council as a NomCom appointee and that Cheryl Langdon-Orr would step down as ALAC liaison to the ccNSO.

Resolution 89-05:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to thank Sokol Haxhiu for his great work during his time on the ccNSO Council and to wish him all the best for the future.

The resolution was passed by acclamation.

The Chair noted that Sokol would be replaced on the Council by Celia Lerman Friedman and that Mary Wong who also recently stepped down as a NomCom appointee had been replaced by Jordi Iparraguirre.

Resolution 89-06:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED to thank Cheryl Langdon-Orr for her great work as ccNSO liaison, to wish her all the best for the future and to welcome Maureen Hilyard as her replacement.

The resolution was passed by acclamation.

The Chair handed out anniversary pins to members of the ccTLD community that had attended 30 and 40 ICANN meetings.

The Chair thanked the host of the meeting, NIC Argentina (.ar) and LACTLD. He further thanked the sponsors of the ccNSO cocktail: .pr, .nl, .uk, .ar and .cl.

The meeting closed.