

ICG - Meeting #3

Friday, 17 October 2014

Chat Transcript

Patrik Fältström - SSAC: Public portion of the meeting is planned to start at 09:45 local time in Los Angeles, i.e. approximately 40 minutes from now.

Alice Jansen: Welcome to the ICG meeting # 3!

Alice Jansen: Please note that chat sessions are being archived and follow the ICANN Expected Standards of Behavior: <http://www.icann.org/en/news/in-focus/accountability/expected-standards>

John Poole: audio?

ICANN - Tech: We are working on it John - please standby.

ICANN - Tech: Thank you for your patience - audio is now online. I apologize for the inconvenience.

Mamadou: Hi all!!

Alice Jansen: Here is the link to Board resolution projected in the room - <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-10-16-en#2.d>

Keith Drazek: As a general statement, when we refer to the "Global Public Interest" it would be helpful to define that term. Also, any time ICANN intervenes or interjects based on a global public interest standard, it must be based on ICANN's mission, bylaws and narrow technical remit. Otherwise, it's a slippery slope for scope creep.

Lynn St.Amour: @ Keith - agree would be helpful to have that definition (in the context of this exercise)

John Poole: @KeithDrazek Likewise, It would also be helpful for the ICANN Board of Directors to disclose to whom they owe a "fiduciary duty" as directors since ICANN has no stockholders nor membership--as a result, the fiduciary duty of every ICANN Board Member is to the corporation alone as required by California Corporate Law?

Alice Jansen: @Jennifer Chung - the ICG will not be taking questions from observers during this meeting. Thanks for your understanding.

Mohamed EL Bashir: 2 groups related to IANA Accountabilty stream :

Mohamed EL Bashir: 1) CWG-IANA (Names)

Mohamed EL Bashir: 2) CCWG-Accountabilty (IANA)

Keith #1 ccNSO: Mahammed - the Names CWG IANA is the group who will build the joint or separate proposal for the Names community. The Names CCWG on Accountability will have two threads, thread one being the IANA accountability and thread 2 being broader icann accountability

Alice Jansen: The ICG is on a 15-minute break and will be back at 11:45 local time

Alice Jansen: we are back!

Difference: It's not about adults and children, it's about loss of the political framework that assures the stewardship context.

Difference: No, wer're talking about conditions. Accountability is not just informational

Difference: It's not just the names. The numbers arrangement will be affected as well. The accountability functions will not work the same way even in numbers

Difference: stability is critical

Difference: but people don't yet comprehend how it's stable now

Difference: Most important: in the absence, even if you say nothing about it, you will be left in a very different political context

Difference: Milton is trying to deal with the issue, but he seems to see it as inherent to the difference between numbers/parameters and names

Difference: Right, if the communities raise the point, they can identify conditions they see necessary

Difference: Wrong. Protocols/parameters have the same issue.

Keith #1 ccNSO: But its a different difference Difference...

Difference: Right! But how to make the stewardship work is the whole question.

Difference: Yes, something that approximates the "culture of free expression"

Difference: But not (inter)governmental

Difference: You simply have to find a way to replace that.

Difference: Can't do it with contracts. It's about the context you're left in.

Difference: tech/operational/day-to-day vs public policy is not the distinction

Difference: No the role was the basis of recourse, even if never exercised

Difference: Sure you can

Difference: You can clearly identify what's lost

Difference: Yep, great

Difference: Encourage the problem goes to the communities

Difference: Sure the corporate establishment is deficient, but more important is the fact that you don't have the same stewardship context without recourse

Difference: Yes, once you acknowledge this issue, you make the synthesis much easier and less fraught with contention

Difference: This is an illusion. The same issue is there for both numbers/protocols and names, just explicit or not

Difference: I think now that the issue is acknowledged, there will be forward progress

Difference: That includes parameters/numbers

Difference: Doesn't require a national government role

Difference: Supplements would be a good way to state -- from the communities -- what things need to be addressed that appear extraneous

Difference: But the fact is that the RFP is written to allow stipulating conditions. Just need to be non-(inter)governmental

Difference: Well . . . the RFP is not written well. Gets stakeholder processes wrong, but never mind that

Keith Drazek: @Difference: can you please identify yourself so we know who you are?

Difference: Seth Johnson

Keith Drazek: Ok thank you.

John Poole: From the comments, apparently Chair and some others want a matrix to tell everyone what to do--what is expected--they apparently think they already "knows" what end proposals will or should be. Dear ICG you handed off the work--let others do their work

Difference: The ICG has an (understandable) tendency to try to say "no/little change"

Difference: Doing a proper process improvement that acknowledges these sort of tacit issues requires understanding that up front

Difference: tacit issues

Alice Jansen: The ICG session will resume at 13:45 local time.

Alice Jansen: The ICG is about to reconvene

Alice Jansen: The ICG is now discussing the Finalization Process document available at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7x5poce3wb8ffsv/AADw9QOnkQDjNl3GlnIjoXuMa/Proposal%20finalization%20process/proposal-finalization-process-v1.docx?dl=0>

Difference: Audio check . . . not hearing anything. Did only momentarily

ICANN RP 3: You should be getting audio - I am connected to the Adobe room myself.

seun: Audio good here

Difference: thx, on my end then

Difference: It's back for me, just sporadic. will rely on the transcript or my provider improving

ICANN RP 3: Difference - if you are having trouble with the Adobe stream - you can use the MP3 stream here in the background and just mute your Adobe Connect session:

ICANN RP 3: <http://stream.icann.org:8000/lax51-westside-en.m3u>

Difference: thx

Difference: Strikes me that that section of the RFP can be a guide for the ICG to just decide how best to compose something that's made up of elements that have strong consensus

Difference: (The section on consensus Patrik referenced)

Difference: Oh sure, there could be conflicts -- the problem of the nature of the new context will raise that issue. Again, folks continue to think that it should be presumed that things will continue as they have been.

Difference: The new context raises general questions of what to do about it -- the communities will likely come up with a variety of notions.

Difference: But the important thing will be to work "cross-functionally" at least to the extent that concerns of this sort arise (and they have)

Difference: It would appear that conflict is coming, so long as people keep saying things will simply work the way they have. However: it doesn't sound like there's any reason to suppose the approaches need to conflict

Difference: Should try to encourage cross-community facilitation. This is something that needs foresight

Difference: However, I don't think ICG is about doing that, so much as: listen, this process raises issues that many don't anticipate, so you should try to develop approaches across the communities

Difference: "You" being the communities -- encourage them to do liaisons

Sivasubramanian M: There is already an Accountability framework in place, there is a review process in place, and what the ICG could do is to reassure NTIA that Accountability process would move forward with improvements in the right

direction. An indication of the possible improvements could be stated in the report to NTIA, but what more could be done within the limited time frame? There are no specific or critical Accountability issues to be solved before the Transition and no new measures could be introduced within the limited time frame. So, the ICG could say that Accountability process improvements would be carried out on an ongoing basis in the near term and long term

Difference: Oh, the mechanisms can conflict, sure. You can't just say that's implausible

Difference: I think let it be all messy, you want to encourage the communities to grasp what the others are doing. Plus a third community can have the political opportunity of interjecting a new perspective

Difference: Well, that's another question: analysis of just one? The question was working with two to start with

Difference: Yes, that's a fact, we have different models! :-)

Difference: Milton, it can be messy, the play will be alive. :-)

John Poole: no audio

Difference: Okay -- check: should there be video and audio happening now? Looks like the FAQ session was about to start, then everything stopped.

Alice Jansen: There is silence in the room for now :-)

John Poole: have video, but someone killed the audio

Keith #1 ccNSO: Just setting up

John Poole: have audio now

Difference: Hello all, I restarted.

Difference: Have audio/video

Alice Jansen: Unfortunately there is an issue with the screen pod - FAQs available at: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7x5poce3wb8ffsv/AADU032uWrbvFbCL2_F71uu2a/FAQ?dl=0

Difference: thx

Difference: which faq doc are they discussing?

Difference: Final? V3? -clean?

Alice Jansen:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7x5poce3wb8ffsv/AAC5911T8FFAR5_o7pV5107Fa/FAQ/ICG-FAQ-v3%20-%20clean.doc?dl=0

Difference: Great

Alice Jansen: unfortunately I believe not all most recent edits are included in that version but it is the most recent uploaded document (15min) we have on the web

Difference: I'll try to track it, but if you know where they're positioned in it at the moment, would help "top of page 2" -- "item 3" -- topic?

ICANN RP 3: I'll have the camera zoom in a bit to help you - sorry about the Pod.

Difference: Okay, it's pretty blurry, but I think I've bothered the tech aspect here enough.

Difference: Wow, important stuff being discussed though. Not getting audio again, and maybe the video is stalled on the document.

Difference: No, video is live

ICANN RP 3: Audio is coming through cleanly at the moment.

Difference: Got it now, sort of ;

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Milton: Techno.CAT is in the house!

Milton: reveal your true identity, CAT!!!

Milton: There are rumours about that you are really a dog....

Difference: ?? You mean me? I did upon request. This is not likely who you're thinking of. It's Seth Johnson

Difference: Or are you having a fit of whimsy about cats and dogs ?

Keith Drazek: He wasn't referring to you.

Milton: Look at the list of participants, "Difference," I was asking about Techno.CAT, not you

Difference: Ah, okay

Tracy Hackshaw: Would the Tech team be able to share the document being edited in the Presentation window?

Difference: I wish I'd spelled it with an a: Differance.

Milton: perhaps Deference would be better

Keith #1 ccNSO: So a cat and a dog walk into a bar. Someone asks "whats the difference"?

Difference: @Milton: no, never. I'm all on the differing going on in that primordial substratum LOL

ICANN RP 3: Tracy - The document is being edited from a different laptop, unfortunately we're unable to get it synced with the Presentation pod without interrupting the discussion.

Alice Jansen: @Tracy - unfortunately there is an issue with the presentation pod.

Alice Jansen: Our tech-team is working on fixing it. Our apologies for the inconvenience

Tracy Hackshaw: OK. Thanks all. Understood.

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: All: following on my suggestion to replace "coordination" by "articulation", I just checked an online dictionary, which suggests "link between A and B".

Roosevelt King (Barbados): some sound problems?

Tracy Hackshaw: Sounds like inside an old movie film projector/underwater/inside a car engine

ICANN RP 3: Working on it - on moment please.

Tracy Hackshaw: Improved

Milton: Proposed FAQ question: Will Kansas City defeat the Giants in the World Series?

Milton: "Nothing is being shared". Anywhere. Damn. That's really depressing.

ICANN RP 3: Nothing is being shared in the physical room at the moment.

Milton: oh ;-)

Milton: I feel better already

ICANN RP 3: Just the final score of the World Series.

Alice Jansen: We will be back at 4:15 local time.

Keith #1 ccNSO: Is the World Series actually a global concept?

Tracy Hackshaw: World Series with teams competing from two countries ... awesome

Tracy Hackshaw: US & Canada

Tracy Hackshaw: And only US teams in the final

Tracy Hackshaw: Cricket World Cup - 14 teams in the Tournament with qualifiers including 10 teams of which the top 2 went through to the 2015 CWC -

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2015_Cricket_World_Cup

Alice Jansen: The ICG is reconvening

Milton: @keith: oyu know how the song goes: "We are the world...."

Keith #1 ccNSO: I recognise that as your country's aspirational goal Milton :-)

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: Patrik, we're talking about "interpretation", rather than translation...

Difference: That's a statement on accountability to say what?

Alice Jansen: @Difference - the ICG will not be taking questions from observers during this meeting. Thanks for your understanding.

Difference: Can someone ask them to state more clearly what that statement was that the said ICANN would be issuing on accountability?

Difference: accountability to the groups -- the person who raised the point ws unclear

Difference: (17:03) How about a mailing list specifically to discuss the issue?

Difference: (17:04) Someone reading this in the room might well propose that

Ergys Ramaj: (17:04) I believe you may be referring to the infographic that would explain the relationship between the different tracks; ICANN will be working on producing this in the coming days

Difference: (17:05) Well, the person who raised it seemed to be pressing for some kind of direction on how to approach the accountability questions (it also included stewardship)

Difference: (17:06) What about contracting for a better transcript so you can post that to indicate the nature of what transpired?

Difference: (17:07) Someone transcribing from the video record

Difference: (17:08) It would be better to get a transcript

Difference: (17:08) that would be a good compromise -- just a record of what happened

Difference: (17:09) Send a note out saying you'll post a refined transcript