

## **Statement of the Non-Commercial Stakeholders Group on the [SSAC Name Collision Analysis Project \(NCAP\)](#)**

The Non-Commercial Stakeholders Group (NCSG) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the proposed project plan by the SSAC Name Collision Analysis Project (NCAP).

The NCSG represents the interests of non-commercial domain name registrants and end-users in the formulation of Domain Name System policy within the Generic Names Supporting Organisation. We are proud to have individual and organisational members in over 160 countries, and as a network of academics, Internet end-users, and civil society actors, we represent a broad cross-section of the global Internet community. Since our predecessor's inception in 1999 we have facilitated global academic and civil society engagement in support of ICANN's mission, stimulating an informed citizenry and building their understanding of relevant DNS policy issues

The Noncommercial Stakeholders Group thanks the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC) for preparing the proposed Name Collision Analysis Project project plan. We have reviewed this plan, and wish to express our support to the SSAC in undertaking these activities while we have concerns regarding the excessive cost of the project. It is our position that name collisions are to be avoided, and we believe this project would go far in mitigating the potential harm to the stability and security of the Domain Name System posed by such strings. Thank you again for your efforts in addressing this important matter.