Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

The GNSO Council is composed of 21 members – divided into 2 houses (contracted and non-contracted parties) – who work on generic top-level domain (gTLD) naming policies (e.g., .com, new gTLDs).

- **Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG)** – divided into three constituencies
  - Business Constituency (BC) for commercial business interests
  - Intellectual Property Constituency (IPC) for IP interests

- **Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG)** – gTLD registry operators
  - Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers Constituency (ISPCP) for ISP interests

- **Registrars Stakeholder Group (RrSG)** – domain name registrars
  - Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC) for civil society interests

- **Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG)** – supported by two constituency groups
  - Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns Constituency (NPOC) for not-for-profit interests

Learn More: https://gnso.icann.org
Civil Society in ICANN

Represented by the Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG), part of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

Civil Society
Stakeholder Groups

Contracted Parties House
- Registries
- Registrars

Non-Contracted Parties House
- Commercial Constituencies
  - Business
  - Intellectual Property
  - ISPs
- Non-Commercial Constituencies
  - NCUC/NPOC

Non-profit organizations and individuals primarily concerned with the non-commercial, public interest aspects of domain name policy
Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG)

• The NCSG provides a voice and representation in the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) and other ICANN policy processes to non-profit organizations and individuals who are primarily concerned with the noncommercial, public interest aspects of domain name policy

• NCSG also represents non-commercial interests in other ICANN processes, for example structural and organizational reviews and cross-community working groups

• NCSG has two member constituencies representing different noncommercial interests

• Website http://ncsg.is
NCSG Constituencies

Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC)

Focuses on generic top-level domain (gTLD) policy development; Internet governance policy; and protection of non-commercial communication and consumer protection, civil liberties, and human rights.

Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns Constituency (NPOC)

Focuses on operational concerns related to ICANN and the Domain Name System (DNS), such as domain name registration, expansion of the DNS, and DNS fraud and abuse.