
ANDREA GLANDON: Good morning, good afternoon, good evening, and welcome to the gTLD registration data policy implementation pre-IRT meeting held on Wednesday the 10th of April 2019 at 15:00 UTC.

In the interest of time there will be no roll call. Attendance will be taken by the AC room. If you are only on the audio bridge, could you please let yourself be known now? Thank you. Hearing no names, I would like to remind all participants to please keep your phones and microphones on mute when not speaking to avoid any background noise. With this, I will turn it over to Dennis Chang. Please begin.

DENNIS CHANG: Welcome, everyone. This is Dennis Chang, I am GDD program director, and in this policy implementation project, I am going to serve as your project manager.

First of all, I would like to make sure that everybody is aware of the project name. as you will see, it says gTLD registry data policy implementation.

Often, people refer to this project as EPDP implementation, EPDP phase one implementation, or [the] implementation. But we want to, especially this group who's responsible for implementing this project, be consistent on the name of the project.

So full name is gTLD registration data policy implementation, or registration data policy implementation, we can call it, and we will also refer to it as reg data policy implementation.

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This is a historical moment for ICANN, and welcome, everyone, because this is our first meeting, inaugural meeting for pre-IRT. Pre-implementation review team. We have never had something like this before, so we're creating it. So welcome as the chartering member of the pre-IRT. Let's get started.

So today, Andrea, I think the first item was welcome and administrative remarks. Was there anything else that you needed to instruct us?

ANDREA GLANDON: Not at this point, Dennis, unless there's something else that you wanted me to add.

DENNIS CHANG: No.

ANDREA GLANDON: We're good then.

DENNIS CHANG: Okay. So, what we're going to do is look at our board resolution status, and specific policy recommendation, and we'll introduce you to the implementation team members and we'll talk about the role IRT, IPT, Pre-IRT, what they are and how they're different. We'll talk about the implementation process, and implementation discussion with the EPDP team, and talk about the next steps. That's the agenda.

And at any time, if you want to stop me and ask questions such as this agenda, please raise your hand and we'll stop and pause, and address your question. And let me know.

Let's talk about the board resolution first. We all know that there's no board resolution yet, and we all expect that it is going to be prior to the temp spec explanation of 20 May 2019. 20 May 2019 is the expiration date, so we should all sync up on that date too.

When will we get it? We don't know yet. The policy recommendation is currently open for public comment and it will close on 17 April 2019. This public comment is the one that the board conducts and you all have the opportunity to provide your comment directly to that.

I see James' hand up. Go ahead, James.

JAMES BLADEL:

Hi, Dennis. Thank you. I will hold my question until we get to the agenda item for membership. Thank you.

DENNIS CHANG:

Okay. After the 17th of 2019, the next date that we should be looking for is the 1 May 2019, and that date is when we expect to see the summary and analysis of the report. It's a good report, good document for all of us to find out what type of input the board has received. So it will be good for us to track that.

Now, in the final report, there is this recommendation number 28. This is unusual to have such recommendation, but then EPDP is an unusual

project. And it says that ICANN Org should [informally convene an] implementation review team and allow for planning to take place before the ICANN board consideration of the final report, of course. And this is why we're doing this pre-IRT, because for our policy process, we're not supposed to start our implementation until the board resolution and get the direction from the board. That's when I usually get started. But then this time, we're getting started because in the spirit of cooperation and blessing of our CEO, that we are getting our team together and starting to do frontend – what I will say front – of the implementation, which is what we call planning.

Anyway, we all know why we're here, just because EPDP team – actually this team we call pre-IRT, are from that EPDP team, is because you have asked for this and you are receiving it from ICANN Org. Next slide, and you must have all seen this, because you responded to his. Andrea has sent this out in March calling for the pre-IRT, and you have gone through the process that she had laid out and have arrived here. So thank you for coming, and we'll find out more about what pre-IRT we'll have to do besides those three bullets that we had when we got started.

So this is moving fast. We had the GNSO council approve the final report and submit it to the board in March, [and board opened] the public comment in March. And we have sent out the pre-IRT call in March, so it all happens in one month. So in the spirit and the pace of the EPDP, we're trying to carry on the way that you have been working. And let's see what it would entail.

So, these are the membership list. When I say policy implementation team, I usually mean us, those of us here on the call. And who are they? We are members of IPT implementation project team or pre-IRT, pre-implementation review team. We'll start with the right side there. Diane, you are number one volunteer. Congratulations. Historically, you can claim to be the number one [inaudible].

DIANE PLAUT:

I'm going to thank Amr for that. He was very inspirational.

DENNIS CHANG:

Oh, wow. Thank you, Amr. But it's amazon. Diane reached out to me before I even invented this pre-IRT concept. Very proactive. I just love it. So she will go down in the history of ICANN of being the number one pre-IRT member. And then Theo, who I have worked with in the past. And I think you see your name there, and on the left side is the IPT, and these people, some of you are – you know, others you probably don't recognize in the name.

What I'm going to do is ask you to introduce yourselves very briefly, and what I'd like you to say is your name, your affiliation, but also, what you are expecting from this pre-IRT. So let's start with Diane.

DIANE PLAUT:

I have joined the pre-IRT because I was part of the EPDP, and I feel very strongly about the issues, put a lot of work into the EPDP, and thought that the implementation component of it was really important to me personally, and for the movement of where we need to go from a policy

standpoint. So I felt that if I could no longer give the time commitment to the EPDP, I wanted to be able to see the work forward and be able to contribute on an implementation level.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you. Theo.

THEO GEURTS: Thanks, Dennis. Well, I usually join all IRTs. No, I'm just kidding. I think this work is pretty important, at least I expect it's going to be pretty important, because I have not actually really looked into it what this pre-IRT is actually going to do. I think we're going to do some important work, but that question shall be answered while we move along. Thanks.

DENNIS CHANG: Beth?

BETH BACON: Hi, everyone. This is Beth Bacon with PIR. I was both an alternate and a member at different times on the EPDP phase one. Quite frankly, I just wanted to spend more time with all of you wonderful people. So hopefully, this will be helpful and smooth and we can get the [recommendations] we worked so hard on into a nice functional policy and get it all moving along. Thanks.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you, Beth. Marc?

MARC ANDERSON: Thanks, Dennis. This is Marc Anderson, I'm with Verisign, but representing the Registry Stakeholder Group. I was a member of the EPDP working group, and as such, I'm really vested in a successful outcome and implementation of the EPDP phase one recommendations. I know there's tight schedules and pressure on everyone, really, to get this right, so I want to be involved and want my knowledge and expertise to help get this right. Thank you.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you. Matthew?

MATTHEW CROSSMAN. Yeah. Hi, everyone. I'm Matthew Crossman with Amazon registry representing RySG. I was an alternate and part of the support team for the RySG EPDP team, and I agree with what's been said, I think it's really important to execute on the hard work that was done by the EPDP team and I'm looking forward to working with all of you.

DENNIS CHANG: Amr?

AMR ELSADR: Thanks, Dennis. This is Amr Elsadr, I'm with Noncommercial Stakeholder Group. I represented my stakeholder group on the EPDP team, and

definitely interested in being a part of the pre-IRT and the IRT following that.

To me, this is a lot of work over the years coming full circle. Some of the folks on this team probably recall our days back on Thick WHOIS when we were discussing the implications of privacy and data protection laws on gTLD registration data, so yeah, I'm just really trying to see that through and still trying to figure out whether I need to keep paying for my privacy services or not. Thanks.

DENNIS CHANG: Good motivation. Mason.

ANDREA GLANDON: Mason, do you have your audio connected? Looks like your AC mic is connected. No, Mason, we cannot hear you. Thank you. [Looks like he may have to] dial in.

DENNIS CHANG: Okay. Let's move on to Sarah.

SARAH WYLD: Yes. Hello, everyone. I'm Sarah Wyld. I'm with Tucows. I used to be an alternate in EPDP and helped where I needed. I tend to have a focus on implementation of policy or legal [inaudible] my day to day work, so I'm excited to bring that experience to the IRT team. And I guess as a pre-

IRT, I would say I'm [inaudible] set up and ready to go for the IRT proper [in May] so that we can really [inaudible].

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you. Matt.

MATT SERLIN: Hi, everyone. Matt Serlin here, I work for a corporate domain name registrar called Brandsight, participated in the EPDP group representing the Registrar Stakeholder Group, and similar to what other contracted parties and everyone else has said, really just interested in seeing this through, the important policy work that we developed in the phase one work and looking to get that implemented in a way that makes our work even that much more valuable. So, thanks.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you. [Liz.]

ANDREA GLANDON: Dennis, I don't see [Liz] logged into the AC room, and I'm not sure that she's connected on the phone either.

DENNIS CHANG: Okay. Let's go to Benedict.

BENEDICT ADDIS: Hi, folks. Can you hear me all okay?

DENNIS CHANG: Yes.

BENEDICT ADDIS: Oh, brilliant. Hello. I'm Benedict, I run a IIPtLe registrar called the Registrar of Last Resort, I'm a member of SSAC, and I used to be a law enforcement officer, but I'm feeling much better now. Thanks for asking.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you. James?

JAMES BLADEL: Good morning. This is James Bladel, I am from GoDaddy, I was a member of the EPDP serving registrars, and that was either my first PDP or my 20th. I sort of lose count, they all run together. Like many of you, I'm hopeful for success here. I think that we need to split the difference between getting as much work done as quickly as possible but also not getting too far out in front of our skis with this IRT and making sure that we track as closely to the recommendation as humanly possible in the final language of our agreements and contracts, so I'm looking forward to that.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you, James. Mason, are you on now?

MASON COLE: Yes, Dennis. Can you hear me now?

DENNIS CHANG: Excellent. Yeah.

MASON COLE: Thank you very much. I'm Mason Cole with the because. I represent a law firm, Perkins Coie. I was not a member of the EPDP, but I was part of the support team for the because, and I just echo some of the sentiments raised by everybody else on this call. I'm interested in efficient implementation on phase one and seeing about moving on to phase two quickly.

DENNIS CHANG: Okay. Thank you, everyone. I have a question from Sarah, and she's wondering if she can type in the questions in the chat. And please do, at any time. You can either raise your hand and ask a question, or put it in the chat, and someone [inaudible] attention. Did you want to ask a question now?

SARAH WYLD: Thank you so much. I do have a few questions that are just a bit procedural, and I'm happy [to wait] until the appropriate time in the call. I just wasn't sure when you wanted those.

DENNIS CHANG: Okay. Yeah, I'm going to go through the entire process and procedures, and this meeting, the first meeting is really all about introduction and setting us up on the same page and expectation in how we're going to do our work. James, go ahead.

JAMES BLADEL: A question regarding the membership now that we have had a chance to introduce ourselves and everybody now knows everyone else. I just wasn't clear, I guess – and it's unfortunate that Liz isn't here, because I wasn't clear on what the role of individual members were or individuals participating in the pre-IRT, and then whether or not there are also observers to this group and call that are not participating on the Adobe Connect that are on listen only?

[inaudible] the structure of the membership, please, not just the names and the affiliation.

DENNIS CHANG: Yeah. Thank you for asking. And I think what we'll do is make those things clear as we go. But the intent of the pre-IRT is populate the pre-IRT with only the members from the EPDP, either formal or [inaudible] people who are intimately familiar with the EPDP phase one policy development. And I think when we sent out the call for the pre-IRT, it should have been in the body of that message. Let me see. Right here. For this pre-IRT [inaudible] ICANN Org is seeking volunteers who are current or formal EPDP team members and so possess a deep understanding of the EPDP team's policy recommendation and accompanying rationale.

So this is particularly important for the pre-IRT, and when we do our call for the IRT, we will open it up to everyone, but for the pre-IRT, we sent this invitation exclusively to the EPDP team and the GNSO council. That was it.

And individual members or the affiliated members right now, I think that I'm going to stay flexible on that. as we all know, the pre-IRT is going to be a short-lived team to be replaced with the IRT, and all the members will be transitioned to the IRT. So as [Amr] said, we are putting this team together to get a fast start on the real IRT.

So we're probably going to be less formal and a lot more flexible than the typical IRT as we do our work. And there will be – yes, I understood, and I thought – James is typing – there was no individual on the EPDP team, it was all preassigned and allocated by different stakeholder groups. I understood that, so when I saw [Liz's] name attached to individual, I had a question there too. And I would want to ask her when she calls in. So we'll find out, okay? Liz is not here. So I understand, James. I have the same question exactly, and I was going to ask her. Maybe she's already affiliated with somebody. But [she's not here.] And we'll see if she will remain as a member or not. But [we're not] really rigid about screening them and testing them to see if they were indeed part of the EPDP in the first place.

And there's more coming. We're going to talk about the roles of the pre-IRT and the process that we're going to go through in the next set of slides, and before I introduce the [IPT] to you, I'll just flash this page. Yes, there are observers, with e-mail read only access only. And there

are 28 of them, and we are freely accepting anyone into this observer status or observer list so they can read our e-mails.

There's no one who's listening to this call. There's no listen only mode for anyone. Observers are not getting the invitation for these meetings. They don't have meeting information, logistics information, and they're not invited and they shouldn't be on here. So if you notice on top of the right-hand box where it says only members of the pre-IRT will join this conference call. So if you're not member of the pre-IRT, you should leave, please. Thank you. And I don't think there is anyone. But that was the design.

And I'm going to go back to the policy implementation team, and I'd like to introduce our team here. So IPT, as we call ourselves, is implementation project team. We're the team internally to ICANN Org who actually does the heavy lifting and does everything that we have to do to make sure that implementation is successful.

And I'll introduce myself first. I have, as you know, I'm a program director at GDD, and I have done policy implementation for IGO, INGO, identifier protection policy, the recently opened implementation for the Red Cross names updating policy which Theo is also on, and then Thick WHOIS, the policy, of course, that was another one that I did, [inaudible] policy I did, and I'm working on the TNT policy as a member there too.

So I try to keep all the policy implementation [in view,] and active, and what we're trying to do is stay consistent on how we do policy implementation. [Karen,] if you're on, can you speak next? Introduce

yourself. Okay, let's go to [Francisco.] No? [inaudible]? Dan? Amy?
There we go, I see her name.

AMY BIVINS: Hi. This is Amy. I'm here on the IPT as part of the legal team. I think I've worked with a lot of you through my work on the registrar team, but I've recently transitioned to Legal, so I'm here in that capacity.

DENNIS CHANG: Yeah. We're grateful to have her, because we have the history with all of you, and really able to help us interpreting the recommendations. Amanda, go ahead and introduce yourself.

AMANDA FESSENDEN: Hey, everyone. Amanda Fessenden. I'm here for registry and registrar services, serving in that capacity.

DENNIS CHANG: Isabelle?

ISABELLE COLAS: Hi, everyone. I'm Isabelle Colas. I've been observing the EPDP since September, I believe, so I'm just here to assist and be a project coordinator for the IPT team.

DENNIS CHANG: Caitlin?

CAITLIN TUBERGEN: Thanks, Dennis. This is Caitlin Tubergen, and many of the IPT members remember me from the policy support staff for EPDP phase one.

DENNIS CHANG: I don't see Angelina. Is Angelina on? No? Okay. How about Fabien? Are you on?

FABIEN BETREMIEUX: Hello, everyone. Fabien Betremieux from the GAC support team and mostly liaising with the GAC here in this process. The GAC [has not yet recognized] the pre-IRT, so we're working on that in parallel as well.

DENNIS CHANG: Amanda Rose?

AMANDA ROSE: Hi. I'm here representing Contractual Compliance.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you, everyone. So we'll move on to the next page, but before we move, I want us to know that we are the team who's going to get this policy implementation done, so we should consider ourselves as one team. And please feel free to reach out to each other also.

Observers, I won't go through the list, but just know that as soon as we open this, boom, a lot of people are interested in watching over you

[inaudible] actually going to work. And I can certainly understand why. And you can expect to see this list grow, especially when we announce the IRT. This is going to be a big list, I think.

Now, all the names that you see here and the IPT and IRT are going to be posted on the Wiki page. We have a Wiki page. So thank you, Andrea, for creating a pre-IRT Wiki page. Its our community Wiki space that you're familiar with, and I think you're familiar with the other IRT workspace. This is common practice. This is your home page where you're free to add things, editing, [inaudible]. So whenever you're thinking the registration data policy implementation or pre-IRT, this is where you go to get information. And it's our desire to [inaudible] populate this Wiki page with all the essential information that you will need. And it's just been started, so you'll probably see a lot of blanks, but just so you know, it can be found under the GNSO implementation review tab where you see all the IRT pages. So right now it's called pre-IRT page, but when we do form the IRT, we'll create another page called for the IRT and archive the pre-IRT Wiki page for future reference. That's our goal.

Let's now talk about the roles. What does the IRT do? And the reason that I want to talk about this is because this is what you will all do when you are an IRT member, and [inaudible] when we do the pre-IRT which I will tell you about later coming up.

So IRT, as you know, we're supposed to operate on the GNSO policy and implementation working group guidelines, and it's not a policymaking body, this is a clear difference from the PDP. Right? We are not here to make policy. We're here to implement. And often, this is the hardest

thing to transition for people who are coming from the PDP working group to implementation group, that they now have to think differently, switch hats, especially when you're in parallel working on PDP and implementation. Please remember, when you're with me, Daniel Chang, you're doing implementation. Okay? We'll probably remind each other throughout the whole implementation period, but this I found was the most difficult thing to do, and naturally, by just a reaction, people fall back into, "Wouldn't it be nice if the policy was this way?" And, well, it would be, but that's in the past. So we're here to implement whatever policy that we have handed to us.

Now, the IRT's role is to really assist the IPT in the work of implementation, and you'll see more about this. Let me talk about what the ITT does.

And of course, IRT members, your job is to really know what's in the final report, what was the recommendation. We're looking for two types of people in the IRT. One, who are experts in the recommendations, because you know exactly what the PDP working group intended, and the other is more of a technical, maybe backend expertise where you understand how those requirements translate into the hard tasks of system revision, coding, documentation, things like that. So we need both skills, balanced skills. You have a question? Go ahead. Who's that?

ANDREA GLANDON:

No, he typed it in.

DENNIS CHANG:

Oh. Amr, you have a question. Okay. Is there a council liaison appointed to this pre-IRT? Okay, that's a good question. So hold your thoughts until I talk about pre-IRT. I'm talking about IRT right now. So IRT members are expected to attend, obviously expected to work, and IRT members should have your current statement of interest. I think that is consistent with the EPDP working group.

Now, let's talk about the IPT. AN IPT, as you now know, is the ICANN Org team. So I'm going to be building – and I have already built – and that is really the first job that I have to do, is build a team, and that's done. So we are really getting ahead of our normal process in getting a fast start here, and we're very fortunate to have a very talented, experienced and dedicated team with us. And it's a good start for us.

IPT as a group, as a team, we will make sure that IRT is updated. I will reach out when we have to, and let you know what we're doing so you are on the same page as us, and we are going to be asking the IRT for feedback on documentation, and we expect the IRT to [inaudible] distribute all the things that you need, and of course, we'll set up the meetings and let you know what we're going to be talking about so you can prepare.

Let's talk about the pre-IRT. This is us today. Pre-IRT is named pre-IRT because we are starting this IRT kind of work before the board resolution. So I don't know if this is going to happen again or this is just a one-time thing, but if there's a need that we have to put together an IPT, an IRT to support us, then we will call this group a pre-IRT.

Again, same thing as IRT, and we're not a policymaking body here, so we stay away from that, and the pre-IRT really needs to be populated with the people who are experts in the recommendations. We don't have the luxury when we are putting together the pre-IRT to wait for someone to come up to speed or educate someone on the recommendations. We just are not going to do that because that defeats the purpose of us getting started quickly anyway.

Pre-IRT does not require a GNSO council liaison. Amr, does that answer the question? Yeah, I had to think about this, Amr, and [inaudible] consider it, and I decided it's probably not needed, and this is my first question to you guys. How do you feel about this? Any reaction? Amr, go ahead.

AMR ELSADR:

Thanks, Dennis. I don't know if [inaudible] pre-IRT requires or needs a GNSO council liaison or not, but I don't see the harm in having one, so maybe let's have one appointed. If he or she ends up not being required, that's okay. But best to have one available just in case.

DENNIS CHANG:

Yeah, I thought about that. Let me hear from Marc also.

MARC ANDERSON:

Thanks, Dennis. I agree with Amr. I don't know that one is needed or not. we're certainly in uncharted territory here. But I don't think it would hurt, so I think it would probably be worth asking the GNSO council to appoint one. Presumably, whoever the GNSO council

appointed for the pre-IRT would also be the same person rolling into the IRT. So that would give an opportunity for that person to have a little more continuity. So I don't know if it's required, but I don't think it would hurt, and probably worth asking the GNSO council for one.

DENNIS CHANG:

Okay. That's a good suggestion. So let me ask, is any of our pre-IRT member also member of the GNSO council right now? I guess not. I was trying. Okay, I think I'm going to take your suggestion, and I am going to make a request. And I'm going to make this not required but optional, but I'm going to leave it to GNSO council to decide if they want to go ahead and appoint someone in the body of the pre-IRT.

I have no objections if they show up. And anybody from the GNSO council could have joined. They were sent invitations, all members. But none of them accepted the invitation, I suppose. And I'm going to be more maybe clear about it's not required, but the pre-IRT, when we convene our first meeting, thought that it's not a bad idea, so we're making the request. If you'd like to join, please join. Right? But please note that for the IRT, it's required.

So let's see how fast GNSO council will react to that request. But that decision on that role is not going to slow us down at all, so let's agree on that. [Leave the room to join.] Okay, Amr, that's your first action item from the pre-IRT. You're our official bully.

Okay, next is – obviously, you're here to help us, and as you expect, we're going to be working together, and my last statement there, I expect all of you, having invested in this pre-IRT transition to the IRT,

and when we make that IRT call, I'm going to see if you don't have to fill out the application again with Andrea's coordination, maybe we can just transition you – if you do not object – so we can make it easier for you. That's sort of my plan right now.

Let's talk about the implementation process. So [inaudible] that's our policy implementation process, IPT [bills,] IPT, the members that you see here, will build an implementation process and propose a timeline and policy [inaudible] and all that, IRT reviews and provide feedback and that sort of an iterative process will go until we're done, basically.

And of course, one of the key items for delivery is our proposed policy language, and effective dates. And final version will be crafted and reviewed, legal notice will be issued at the end. Well, let me not say at the end. It's an important milestone when we say here is the policy, a legal notice will go out to all contracted parties saying this is exactly the policy language, you'll post it with a clear date for effectivity.

Yes, of course, we will share the slides after the call. It'll be posted on our community Wiki. And I'm going to quiz you on all these steps, so you better study them. I'm going through it fast because we're running – only 15 minutes left. And for those of you who do not understand or who are new to this, I'm going to kind of go through this process that we do, perhaps behind the scenes for a lot of you.

The first thing that the implementation team does is we do the analysis, review, study the recommendations. We have to know what was recommended. Then we have to come up with and translate those recommendations into requirements. Is this recommendation a must

do? May do? Must not do? Should do? And [inaudible] for whom? Must do by registry? Registrar? Or escrow provider? Is it a must do for URS service provider? Is it a must do for ICANN Org to create something new?

These are the questions that we will be asking for every single recommendation that you have provided to us. There's one through 29, I believe. And it's an intensive, exhaustive but comprehensive process that we go through, because we don't want to get this wrong. We want to make sure that we understand your recommendations clearly and no doubt, and this is where you can help us the most with the pre-IRT. And we're going to be asking you questions about this, like what did you really mean by this?

And I hear all kinds of things in the past. "Oh, yes, we meant this," and I hear IRT members disagreeing. "Oh, no, that's not what I thought we were saying." And then I also hear things like, "Oh, yeah, we talked about that but we couldn't decide so we just left it [unsaid] for the implementation team." I hear that too.

So it'll be an interesting discussion. So what we do as an implementation team, that is aligned with the recommendations, but not making policy or new policy can be tricky. But that's the challenge and we've done this before, so we know how to do this.

So then after you understand what the requirements are, then you have to make a task list. Task list for every people who are doers, basically. What are the task lists for the registry operator, right? [For] all these

recommendations. How about registrars? What do they have to do? Oh, yeah.

And number four, how long does it take to do something like that? Timeline information, and how much possibly cost does that really mean? Because we better make sure that we understand what we're putting into the requirements, and while we're not responsible for the [cost,] it's good to know what the magnitude of the requirements are.

And after we do our estimates, we put together what we call a critical path. So we do a critical path analysis and lay out the longest timeline task, and look at the dependency and to see how they line up, and see what we can do in parallel as much as possible in the shortest amount of time that we can all perform. And that is where we also need your consultation too, because we're going to be asking you, can you do this before this? Or can you do these two things at the same time? Because you are the registry and registrar [inaudible].

And everybody actually does it differently. So it's hard for us to say if one registry tells us, yeah, that's a two-week task. We can't really take that and assume that it's the same for everyone.

And then once the implementation schedule is defined, then we prepare for a public comment. So when we go out for a public comment for our policy implementation plan, it has the timeline information with the effective dates. "We believe that this implementation will take 12 months or 18 months. What is your comment on that?" And we'll see how they react. This is where we get all the registries and registrars to look at what we put together, and see what they think.

And of course, important piece of that public comment is the policy language itself, which we will have to develop before we go to public comment. The policy language is drafted, crafted, discussed, and every word in that language must have support from you all, because it basically is a contractual requirement document that we're producing for you to be compliant with. So it's critically important, and we'll have to spend some quality time together looking at that.

Then we of course conduct a public comment, get the comments analyzed, we produce a public comment report, which is something else that you will be involved with, because when we put together the analysis and report and tell everyone, yes, thank you or your input and this is what we're going to do, they should know that.

And we revise our implementation plan and language gets finalized, and we publish, we post it, and then send you the legal notice that you will all be familiar because you built it, so this team is very familiar with the legal notice that you're going to get, which you're kind of agreeing to send to yourself.

So if we do this right, no one here will be surprised. And if we do this right, no one outside will be surprised either, and they will all support our implementation.

Implementation activity, so that's actually where the real work starts, where the engineers start writing code, the managers start approving budgets in their own companies, and then executives maybe for the first time say, "Why are we doing this?" So if you have those bosses, you better be talking to them now. Thank you.

I'll keep going here, [got nine minutes.] So I want to bring everybody together. There was some discussions of the implementation of the EPDP team. and typically, the policy development team should not be having discussions on the EPDP implementation [inaudible] and this is why I think we created this group quickly, because we want that implementation discussion to be happening on this e-mail, not there.

So if you ever notice that somebody is bringing up implementation discussion, please stop them and have them directed to the pre-IRT, just as [we would do] the development items with them. So it's a parallel activity, phase two development, phase one implementation is going at the same time, and we have to vote, be vigilant on the separation of our duties. Right?

So I think everybody read this, and I remember James commenting on it and asking the questions and getting an answer. So I'm assuming you're all familiar with this. If not, we'll talk more about this.

Here's a chart that I thought of, and I thought I need to simplify it to myself and to my team. I call it the blue or green chart. The way we see this is the policy really stays zero. The e-mail talked about three stages, one, two and three. Now is now. What are we doing today, right now?

We're at stage zero, we're doing temp spec. that's the only thing available. But soon the temp spec will be expiring. And what do we do? We have to put out a policy. And that policy I call green, and it's not the temp spec itself but temp spec compliant, or I think we're probably going to point to the temp spec and do the same thing that you have been doing, so it's nothing new to anyone. We're just making sure that

legally, you have a vehicle that you can comply with. So we're still [inaudible].

When we go to stage two, that's when we have published the policy, and you have a choice. This was part of the recommendation we're following. In-between time, you can either be temp spec compliant, or the policy compliant, the final policy per the recommendation. But of course, then the effective policy is effective on that date, you can only do green.

So this is something that I think you all know, but for simplicity, we'll talk about blue and green. We have five minutes, so I'll get right to the question. I will just share my process question here.

[Should the weekly pre-IRT meeting] be in this time? Okay, so you're asking a question on my next step. So I want to talk about this, because while the IPT is doing the work, it's important that ITT can make this meeting, it's very important, and you've already seen conflicts within our schedule. [Everybody is multitasking,] so I want to make a time that is optimum for IPT and the IRT. So my thought is this: we're not going to have weekly meetings, but probably a meeting every other week at the most, and it'll be pre-scheduled, and if we don't have anything to talk about, we'll cancel. But if we want to go ahead and pre-schedule out like every other week – and so far, I [inaudible] for you. So next [meeting] will be two weeks from now.

[Let's see.] "Important also to make sure no pre-IRT call conflicts with EPDP calls." That's correct. You're absolutely right, because you are on both teams. And I'm going to ask Andrea to make sure that we don't do

that. And all these dates, I know that EPDP phase two team call has not started yet, I don't think it has, so let's take our day first and let them avoid us.

This time slot conflicts – okay, this time slot meaning this one hour that – my time for simplicity is 8:00 to 9:00. You think it conflicts? So, what is the overlap? Is it 30 minutes or one hour?

UNDIDENTIFIED FEMALE: [inaudible] one hour.

DENNIS CHANG: One hour exactly? Okay. So we have to move this, shift this forward or backwards. Can [inaudible] any preferences? Meaning one hour earlier or one hour later. Go ahead, Marc.

MARC ANDERSON: The registry stakeholder call is two hours. It's actually from 15:00 to 17:00 every other Wednesday.

DENNIS CHANG: 7:00 to 9:00 our time. So we should do this at 9:00 AM then. Or 6:00. Okay, how about after the registry – imaging that we'll be starting a call on top of this hour. Is that good for everyone? Is that better for everyone? No opinion? Fine, I get a thumbs up. Okay, put up a thumbs up. Amr's asking questions. "Translate to UTC." Somebody do that for me.

ANDREA GLANDON: I can try to translate for you. What time were you decided on then in Pacific?

DENNIS CHANG: I'm talking about right now, top of this hour, a meeting starting for one hour.

ANDREA GLANDON: Okay, so then that would be 16:00 UTC.

DENNIS CHANG: Thank you.

ANDREA GLANDON: You're welcome.

DENNIS CHANG: RySG call goes until 17:00 he says, so that won't work then. Okay, Matthew says 15:00 to 17:00, so that won't work. So what if we start the meeting at 17:00? Does that work? Let's all talk in UTC then. Okay, people are liking the 17:00.

Okay, sounds good. I think the most important take-away [from] the meeting. Thank you very much for your contribution. And we like that better ourselves. We're all smiling here. Okay, 17:00 it is. Andrea, you have your time slots, and so let's schedule out these things. And I'm

going to conclude the call at the 17:00, right now. So thank you all, and let's keep in touch on the e-mails. [inaudible] e-mail and you should be getting your first e-mail for the pre-IRT shortly. Thank you all. Bye.

ANDREA GLANDON: This concludes today's conference. Please remember to disconnect all lines and have a wonderful rest of your day.

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