

NEXT STEPS TO IMPROVE
THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
ICANN'S
MULTISTAKEHOLDER MODEL

WHAT WE ALREADY ADDRESSED

- ALAC submitted a statement which condenses the 21 issues developed into 4 more general categories. These are
 - Structural
 - Process
 - Participation
 - Intergroup Relations
- AFRALO submitted a statement along the same line and emphasized more on structural issues.

WHAT WE ALREADY ADDRESSED (CONT.)

- **Structural:** Some party are more equal than others leading to lead to problems like silos, tribalism, lack of trust and others noted on the issue list. This was considered out of scope previously.
- **Process issues:** How do we do the work that we do.
- **Participation (Who and How)**
- **Inter group Relation:** The needs to foster a positive intergroup culture

AFRALO'S STATEMENT

- ❖ Trust:
- ❖ Cultural consideration
- ❖ Regional challenges and realities:
- ❖ Identifying the real representative of the community:
- ❖ Inadequate representation:
- ❖ Complexity of Policy Development Processes:
- ❖ Demographics

AFRALO'S RECOMMENDATIONS

- ❑ The MSM should be clearly defined as a governance system where all stakeholders, on equal footing, with their different legitimate interests debate issues and take decisions thereupon preferably by consensus among the stakeholders or by vote in the extreme cases where consensus is impossible to reach.
- ❑ Conflict of Interest should be clearly declared in working groups and it should be taken seriously
- ❑ Any decision coming out from any ICANN structure (SO, AC, Board, Working Group, etc.) should take into careful consideration the global public interest
- ❑ Chairs of SO/AC should be rotational among all regions for a fixed term of two years for inclusivity.
- ❑ There should be clear and sharp term limit for all positions at ICANN (2 times 2 years for example) after which the person should not take any leading or representation role for at least 2 years to permit to the new management to exercise their role without any influence or domination

ONGOING WORK

- At ICANN65 in Marrakech, There was a session on the next steps (Phase 2)
- At that session the beginning of phase 2 which involves the process of developing a work plan was discussed.
- Workplan without duplicating the work that is being done elsewhere.
 - For the issues identified by the community, we now need to determine whether there are existing solutions or solutions being developed in other community work streams that can sufficiently address the issue.
 - If there are solutions that could sufficiently address the issue, identify them to ensure we don't create duplicative work in the Evolving ICANN's MSM Work Plan.
 - If there aren't solutions that will sufficiently address an issue, we need to identify which entity should take on the task of developing and proposing a solution to that issue (E.g. Advisory Committee, Supporting Organization, the community-as-a-whole, the ICANN Board or the ICANN organization.)

ONGOING WORK (CONT.)

➤ How would you prioritize the issue?

- a. Must be addressed in the Evolving ICANN's MSM Work Plan.
- b. Is fully addressed by solution being developed in another work stream.
- c. Should be discussed and addressed at a later time.
- d. This issue is not a priority and need not be addressed to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of ICANN's MSM.

LIST OF ISSUES

1. Strengthen ICANN's bottom-up multistakeholder decision-making process and ensure that work gets done and policies are developed in an effective and timely manner.
2. Prioritization of the work
3. Precision in scoping the work
4. Efficient use of resources
5. Roles & responsibilities, and a holistic view of ICANN II. Support and grow active, informed, and effective stakeholder participation.
6. Representativeness + Inclusiveness III. Sustain and improve openness, inclusivity, accountability, and transparency.
7. Culture, trust, and silos
8. Complexity
9. Consensus

