# **Standing Committee Charter**

Implementing Rec. 24

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### Purpose from Report/RIWG work

Rec 24 – Purpose

"an empowered body of current and former NomCom members ... to ensure greater continuity across NomComs, and in particular, to suggest and assist in implementing changes to NomCom processes.

The RIWG's implementation path for this group has evolved to following three purposes:

- Provide continuity across annual NomCom cycles;
- build the institutional memory of the NomCom;
- and help coordinate processes and communications with other bodies.



### **Status of Legal Inputs**

- June 2020 Inputs on a less detailed charter, noted issues such as composition and amendment of charter
- November 2020 New version
  - ICANN org's feedback addressed issues such as "oversight" asserted over groups across ICANN ecosystem.
  - Also discussed proposed composition could raise governance issues
- Discussion today is on amended version



### **Areas For Discussion**

#### RIWG Scope and Reach – Relationship with NomCom

- Too broad of scope raises concerns about impact over each NomCom
- Impacts neutrality of RIWG roles
- RIWG need to have communications with other entities? Why?

#### RIWG Relationship with Other Entities

- "Ensure", "Oversight", or something else
- Clarify no decisional role over other entities
- Focus more on how the NomCom interacts with others, as opposed to how others interact with NomCom
- Consider limitations/design in ICANN system (ex: budget participation)
- Consider removing specificity in many areas and returning to June 2020 model?



### **Areas For Discussion**

#### Governance

- Self-reinforcing membership
  - NomCom is a key governance tool; consider broader impacts
  - Likely a key area for Board's fiduciary role to ICANN as whole?
- Conflicts of Interest management
- Charter Amendment clarify approvers and consider Board role in approval



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