

1. Moving Forward with the Global Public Interest Framework (carried over from ICANN72)

Group/Affiliation 1	ALAC
Contact Name	Marita Moll
Session Leaders/Speakers	Avri Doria -- Board shepherd for an update on the current status of the framework: what is it; how does it work; how can communities participate moderator: Marita Moll (ALAC)
Brief Description	The ICANN FY22 operating plans (community engagement and services) include the following activity: "Community to decide whether the proposed public interest framework can be used to demonstrate how specific recommendations, advice and public comments are in the global public interest". At ICANN, the global public interest is tied to its mission and central to primary governance documents. The challenge has been in operationalizing this commitment. In 2019, the Board and the community began a discussion on developing a tool designed to formally incorporate the public interest into Board decision making. In the interests of addressing the activity proposed in the plan, this session will provide more information and seek feedback about the public interest framework and how it is evolving. It would also consider how such a tool should be used by the community in their activities/initiatives to further ICANN's mission. What has changed since the last public update on this in ICANN66? * https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/draft-op-financial-fy22-26-opplan-fy22-2020-en.pdf . p.280
Rationale/Desired Outcomes	An valuable opportunity for a public community discussion on the public interest framework; a discussion that would inform the Board as per the activity proposed in the FY22 operational plans
Community Interest	high level of interest anticipated as this relates to the Board decision making processes and thus affects everyone. Constituencies will want to be well informed and the Board is asking for feedback
Session Format	Public interest framework to be introduced and explained by Board shepherd Avri Doria. Subsequent discussion, comments and suggestions from representatives of ICANN constituencies.

2. Reflections from the pandemic so far — impacts of Covid-19 on the work of ICANN

Group/Affiliation 1	GAC
Contact Name	Anna Goulden
Session Leaders/Speakers	Open to suggestions - a main priority should be that the speakers reflect a range of perspectives and community groups within ICANN
Have the proposed session leaders/speakers confirmed their participation?	No
Brief Description	The session, rather than specifically looking at the effects of the pandemic on the ICANN Community, would essentially be an opportunity to discuss how the pandemic has affected key ICANN work initiatives, such as growth in gLTD & IDNs, and ICANN Compliance, as well as operational matters (e.g. the diversity of ICANN participation etc).
Rationale/Desired Outcomes	- A better understanding of the impacts of the pandemic on ICANN and the overall DNS market - Community discussion of potential strategies for how to respond to the experience and take learnings forward into the future in a positive way
Community Interest	All community groups, since all have experienced effects of the pandemic in different ways and therefore have insights to share
Session Format	Strong focus on interactive discussion and Q&A

3. Evolving the DNS Abuse Conversation: Maliciously Registered versus Compromised Domains

Group/Affiliation 1	GNSO RySG
Contact Name	Samantha Demetriou
Session Leaders/Speakers	Moderator: Graeme Bunton, DNS Abuse Institute Presenter: Maciej Korczynski, University of Grenoble Panelists: Lori Schulman, IPC Chris Lewis Evans, PSWG Alan Woods, RySG Reg Levy, RrSG Possible Brand Registrar Rep and additional Registry Operator
Have the proposed session leaders/speakers confirmed their participation?	Yes
Brief Description	Most discussions relating to DNS Abuse, to date, have not distinguished between malicious and compromised domains. However, any nuanced approach to DNS Abuse mitigation must account for both malicious registrations, where a domain is registered with malicious intent, and as such the registrant is likely complicit, and compromised domains, which are registered by a registrant for a non-abusive purpose but are later compromised by malicious third-party actors in order to engage in DNS Abuse, typically without the registrant's knowledge or consent registrant. Thus the registrant is considered a victim alongside others potentially affected, and suspending the entire domain name is typically not the appropriate remediation. Compromised domains account for a significant portion of DNS Abuse. As the DNS matures, and we welcome more established web presences of all types of genuine registrants, individuals and businesses alike, both large and small, we must seek to protect them. Efforts to effectively combat DNS Abuse should seek to do no harm to genuine registrants, who are not directly to blame for abuse occurring in connection to their domain. The potential for disproportionate harm in treating compromised domain the same as maliciously registered domains is high. A more nuanced approach is required to address compromised names. This session will explore the differentiation between maliciously registered and compromised domains in DNS Abuse; specifically, we will discuss the impacts of the DNS Abuse itself on end-users and registrants, and strategies to effectively mitigate DNS Abuse when dealing with both malicious and compromised domains.
Rationale/Desired Outcomes	This session is being proposed against the backdrop of the ongoing community focus on DNS Abuse and the widely shared goal of improving the domain industry's education and approaches to DNS Abuse mitigation, as well as evolving legislative and regulatory developments. It is critical to build non-arbitrary, well evidenced and appropriate actions into our industry's efforts. The intended outcome of this session is to identify, educate and establish an effort and understanding of an, until now, under-appreciated, yet vital element in tempering and tailoring efforts to address DNS Abuse in a predictable, transparent and victim-centric manner.
Community Interest	The panel has been established to be representative of the ICANN community and parties impacted by this topic. Registries and registrars' approaches to these domains will be presumably different in that the likelihood of collateral damage in suspending a compromised domain is quite high. Individual users, small businesses, large businesses, and corporations who rely on their web presence can, at any time, have a domain compromised, and suspending their domains as a result can have direct and financial consequences. It is in the interests of all in the community, to ensure our actions are supporting all victims of DNS Abuse, domain name registrants included. This session therefore should have a full and broad interest and appeal.

Session Format	<p>This session will begin with an objective and impartial introduction to the topic of compromised domains by a single presentation, drawing on the insights of Maciej Korczynski to explain the classification of compromised versus maliciously registered domains (with reference to the COMAR study). The presentation will be followed by a highly interactive, moderated panel (not following a preset 'presentation format') that will open a discussion among industry representatives and community members, as well as the session audience. The aim is to provide a true discussion on maturing industry response to this vital differentiator in the fight against DNS abuse. Below is a sample agenda for the session:</p> <p>0:00 – 0:05 Introduction by Moderator 0:05 – 0:20 Presentation to set the stage 0:20 – 0:30 Audience Q&A 0:30 – 0:50 Moderated Panel Discussion incorporating audience questions 0:50 – 1:05 Additional audience Q&A 1:05 – 1:15 Presentation on mitigation strategies/future community work 1:15 – 1:30 Final audience Q&A</p>
Comments	<p>The listed speakers have confirmed their interest and willingness to participate. The RySG recognizes that as the planning for this session progresses, it may make sense to include additional or different speakers and so would be open to discussing that.</p>

4. 10 year Anniversary of the New gTLD program: a conversation with the operators

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Contact Name	Samantha Demetriou
Session Leaders/Speakers	To be confirmed, but speakers from a range of new gTLDs including: Validated / restricted eligibility dotBrand geoTLD OpenTLD Niche/market TLD IDN [A TLD operator who has terminated their RA - not sure how easy it will be to get this, but it might be of interest to hear from someone who has given up their TLD, particularly the reasons for doing so]
Have the proposed session leaders/speakers confirmed their participation?	No
Brief Description	2022 marks the 10th anniversary of the opening of the application window for new gTLDs. ICANN73 provides an excellent opportunity to reflect on some of the benefits that new gTLDs have brought, innovative business models and practices that new gTLDs have successfully adopted, as well as explore some of the challenges encountered by new gTLD applicants and operators.
Rationale/Desired Outcomes	<p>In 2012, the introduction of new gTLDs was heralded as the single biggest change to the domain name landscape, intended to enhance competition, innovation, and consumer choice. The aim of this session is to take stock, as we reach the 10th anniversary of the program launch, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How is innovation occurring through TLDs - What are the barriers to innovation, which might be lowered through new contractual provisions or procedures in order to encourage innovation - How are consumers benefiting from TLDs that provide new products and choices - Bearing in mind ICANN Org's focus on the role that new gTLDs in scripts other than ASCII can play in getting underserved regions online, how are IDN TLDs currently playing a role in competition, innovation and consumer choice, and what are the barriers to and challenges of IDN TLDs
Community Interest	Broad interest by enhancing the understanding in the wider community of the range of TLDs available, commercial and other drivers for registry operators, and challenges barriers to entry and innovation, and to encourage cross-community discussion and education that might improve on the quality or uptake of current innovations.
Session Format	<p>Moderated panel discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What's been your most surprising achievement in managing your TLD? - What was the most difficult challenge in establishing your TLD? - What advice would you give to future applicants? - What are your thoughts on the state of the industry? - What is your business model of operation?