ICANN Specific Reviews – Third Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3)
Recommendation 2 - Implementation Documentation

ATRT3 Final Report

Board resolution on ATRT3 Final Report
https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2020-11-30-en#1.a

- Recommendation submitted: May 2020
- Recommendation approved: November 2020
- Implementation completed: February 2024

See https://community.icann.org/display/atrt/Implementation for more information on ATRT3 implementation.

ATRT3 Recommendation 2
ICANN org shall review the implementation of ATRT2 Recommendations in light of ATRT3’s assessment and complete their implementation subject to prioritization (see recommendation on the creation of a prioritization process).

Board Action on ATRT3 Recommendation 2
The Board approves Recommendation 2. Under the Bylaws, ATRT3 is empowered to determine the extent to which ICANN org has completed implementation of the ATRT2 recommendations and has done so as part of this report. To the extent this recommendation is intended to establish a collaborative mechanism to progress implementation of ATRT3 recommendations with input from the ATRT3 Implementation Shepherds, the Board accepts this recommendation. The Board notes, however, that as a formal matter the Bylaws (Section 4.6(b)(iii)) reserve to ATRT4 (or other future ATRTs) the role of final assessment of the completion of recommendations from prior ATRTs, including those that the ATRT3 assessed. The Board directs ICANN org to undertake a thorough analysis of the ATRT3’s suggestions pertaining to the implementation of ATRT2 recommendations, and to engage with the ATRT3 Implementation Shepherds regarding those suggestions to identify resource effective means, where appropriate, to complete the implementation of the ATRT2 recommendations discussed in the ATRT3 assessment.

Final Implementation Report

To address the ATRT2 Recommendations, ICANN org began its implementation work in June 2022 after the conclusion of the FY23 Pilot Prioritization. ICANN org ran a thorough gap analysis of the assessment of the ATRT2 implementation made by the ATRT3 Review Team, as documented in Annex A of the ATRT3 Final Report.

Subject matter experts across the various ICANN org functions and departments were engaged to address the implementation gaps, where relevant, and to provide additional information and rationale.
The ATRT3 Recommendation 2 Implementation Report was released in February 2024, thereby completing the ATRT3 Recommendation 2.

Rationale

The production of a single report provides greater consistency and clarity on the implementation work. The ATRT3 Recommendation 2 Implementation Report offers further context and comprehensive details for how ATRT2 recommendations were completed and operationalized.

The delay in the completion timeline for ATRT3 Recommendation 2 is due to additional verification steps (e.g. additional liaising with various parties etc.) that were carried out to ensure a thorough and concise report. This included examining extended, historical ICANN org knowledge and assembling additional information to address the ATRT3 assessment.

Timeline

Expected implementation date: March 2023

Final implementation date: February 2024

Milestones

February 2024 - Release of the ATRT3 Recommendation 2 Implementation Report