GRC Work items

April 2022

Introduction

- Agenda MPC **12 April 2021**

From the notes:

- **GRC to-do list: review the work, agree on a timeline**
  - 7 items.
  - Board and Nomcom appointed director removal guidelines
  - Need to involve ccNSO membership. (latest update to them was September 2020)
  - Emissaries, voting, review current set of guidelines to allow IDN ccTLDs to join.

Work Items April 2022

- GRC 2.0 (==Completed==)
- ccNSO Rules 2.0 (==GRC work completed, voting underway==
- Statement of Interest and Conflcit of Interest: Subgroup, in progress
- Update Guidelines inclusion IDNccTLDs (Public comment Bylaw completed, regular Bylaw, subject to rejection action) **!**
- Complete Internal Procedures Board recall and Director Removal
- Consolidate Rejection Action and Approval Action Guidelines
- Update Meeting Guideline (needs to be over hauled, input MPC, Texch WG, joint effort?)
- Update Roles and responsibilities Guideline (to be completed by November 2022)**!**
- Update Rules **!**
- Open issues

SoI and CoI subgroup

- Develop ccNSO SOI
  - Review and adjust GNSO SoI process
  - Develop Headings & Rationale document ccNSO SoI
  - Present to Community by ICANN74
  - Develop Guideline/Internal Procedure SoI
- Develop ccNSO CoI Porcedure
  - Review and assess framework ccNSO Decisions relevant to be subject to CoI procedure
  - Develop Headings document & Rationale
  - Present to Community by ICANN74
  - Develop Guideline/Internal Procedure CoI
- Draft Guideine for community discussion (ICANN75?)

Update Guidelines inclusion IDN ccTLDs

- Minimal duration bylaw change
  - Board discussion and adoption (end of April at its earliest)
  - Rejection action process (completed end of May at its earliest)
  - Other steps?

- Adjust Internal Procedures
- Update ccNSO RULES!!

Inclusion IDNccTLDs in ccNSO membership

ccTLD Managers ==> linked to Territory

See https://itp.cdn.icann.org/en/files/country-code-names-supporting-organization-council-cc-nso-council/proposed-icann-bylaws-amendments-article-10-annex-b-21jan2022-en.pdf

"**ccTLD manager**" is the organization or entity responsible for managing a ccTLD according to and under the current heading "Delegation Record" in the Root Zone Database, or under any later modification, for that country-code top-level domain.
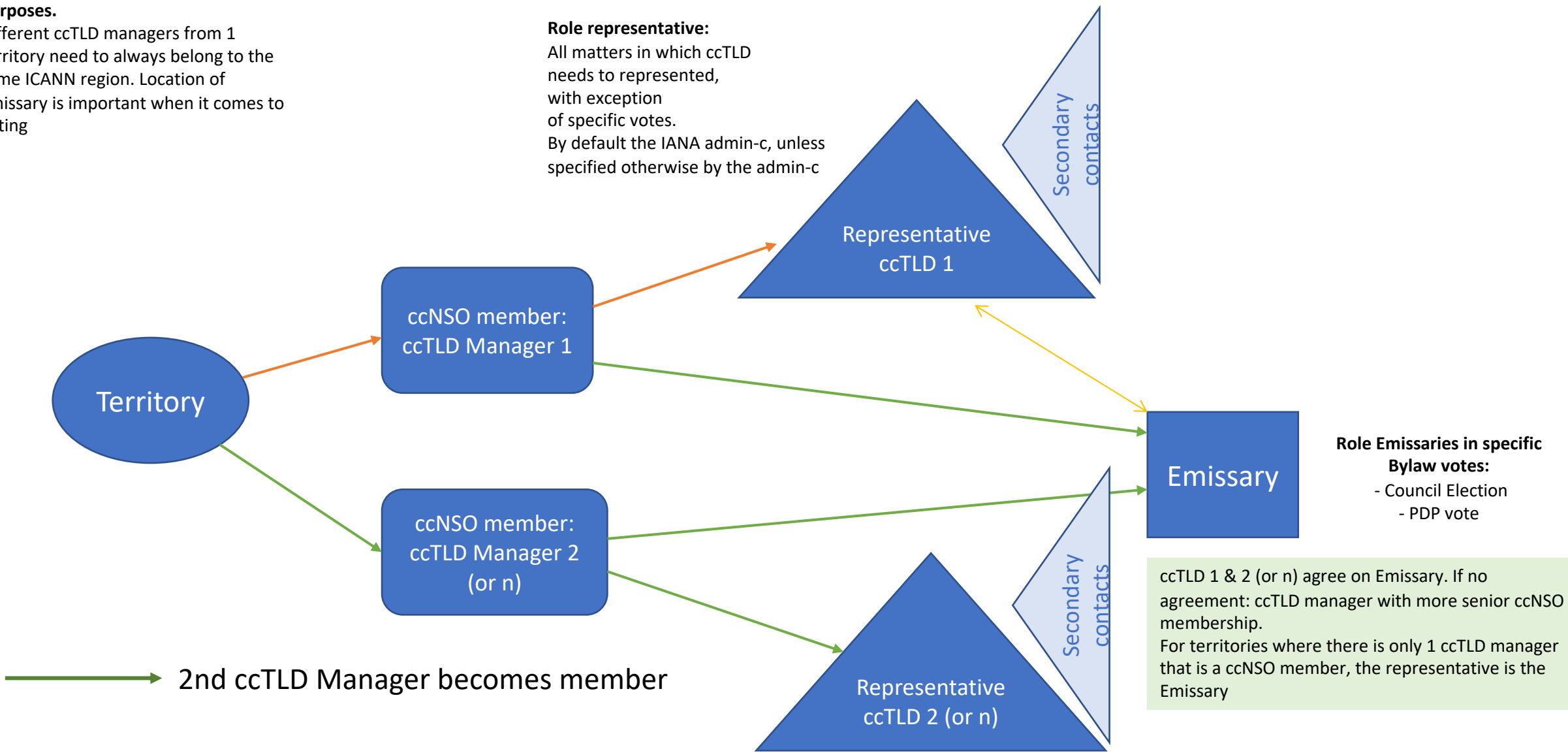
"**Territory**" is defined to be the country, dependency or other area of particular geopolitical interest listed on the 'International Standard ISO 3166-1, Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions – Part 1: Country Codes', or, in some exceptional cases listed on the reserved ISO 3166-1 code elements

Territory: linked to ICANN geographical region, for ccNSO purposes.
Different ccTLD managers from 1 territory need to always belong to the same ICANN region. Location of Emissary is important when it comes to voting

Role representative:
All matters in which ccTLD needs to represented, with exception of specific votes.
By default the IANA admin-c, unless specified otherwise by the admin-c

Secondary contact for ccNSO purposes only. back-up for the representatives

Secondary contacts

Representative ccTLD 1

Territory

ccNSO member: ccTLD Manager 1

Emissary

Role Emissaries in specific Bylaw votes:
- Council Election
- PDP vote

ccNSO member: ccTLD Manager 2 (or n)

Secondary contacts

Representative ccTLD 2 (or n)

ccTLD 1 & 2 (or n) agree on Emissary. If no agreement: ccTLD manager with more senior ccNSO membership.
For territories where there is only 1 ccTLD manager that is a ccNSO member, the representative is the Emissary

2nd ccTLD Manager becomes member

Changes to Procedures required

- ccNSO membership application form

https://www.icann.org/forms/ccnso_membership

- Council election guideline
- Board election & Members Vote
  - Question: should be Emissary or Representative?

See Board nomination Guideline

- Rules of the ccNSO:
  - Question Members veto vote: should be Emissary or Representative?
  - Question on quorum: should be 33% of Members or Emissaries?

Finalize Board Recall and Director Removal

Open issue decision making

- Who shopuld take final decision taking into account timelines?
  - 21 days final decision

- Review Good Faith Requirement (WS 2 Recommendations and legal requirements)

Meeting Guideline

- OISC comment to Council August 2021
  - The suggestion was to reflect the virtual nature of meetings and the possible role of the OISC with respect to ccNSO meetings,
  - the ccNSO meeting guideline could indeed be further refined
  - this is first and foremost the role of the MPC and Tech WG.
  - suggestion that updates to the ccNSO Meeting Guideline is within the remit of the MPC with respect to the members meetings and the Tech WG with respect to Tech Day.

- Overhaul: Add more relevant stuff to it and remove irrelevant stuff. It should be more "meeting oriented"

- Reflect change in nature of the meetings during and post pandemic

- Distinguish what is in charter and terms of refence of various committees and working groups

Update Roles & Responsibilties

- Include expereince from virtual meetings re election of chair and vice-chairs
- Council developed procedure: to be reviewed by GRC and suggest includsion in Guideline after review

  - Each ccNSO Council member can nominate one (1) person for a seat to be filled on the Council leadership team
  - Each ccNSO Council member can second one (1) person for a seat to be filled on the Council leadership team
  - Only individuals who are a member of the ccNSO Council on [date nominations open] can nominate or second a candidate.
  - Valid nominations must be seconded by another ccNSO Council member
  - Nominations and secondings should be sent by e-mail to the following e-mail address: ccnso-council@icann.org
  - Templates for nominating and seconding nominations are provided

Update Rules

- Include changes due to inclusion of IDNccTLDs in ccNSO
- Changes, if any, due to voting and/or members veto procedures realted to decional participant powers processes:
  - Rejection action
  - Approval Action
  - Board recall
  - Director Removal

  - Issue time limits versus Annex D versus ccNSO time limits veto and decision
  - Note: Annex D is always paramount!!

Open issues: parity of members

- The principle of one vote per member for those organizations or entities that manage multiple ASCII ccTLDs will not be affected by the proposed Bylaw change.

- This implies that those organizations or entities that manage two or more ccTLDs and have become member of the ccNSO for each one of them will still be able to cast two or more votes in formal voting processes:
    - Board nomination process, the
    - Council elections and in
    - membership approval voting of ccPDPs.
- As already noted in 2013 this is an issue with respect to parity of membership ,

Note: organizations or entities who run multiple IDN ccTLDs related to one (1) territory will at a maximum have one (1) vote. ccTLD Managers who manage multiple ccTLDs from different territories will have multiple votes