

Meeting Minutes

ccNSO Council meeting 206
Thursday, 13 June 2024 at ICANN80

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Decisions

- **Resolution 206-01**

The ccNSO Council approves the Board Report on the Proposed Policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings and related variants. Per requirements of Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws the Board Report contains:

- The result of the ccNSO Members vote
- The ccNSO Recommendation, following the vote by the Members of the ccNSO
- The Final Report, which contains the Proposed Policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings and related variants.

The Council requests the secretariat to publish this decision as soon as possible on the ccNSO website and inform the ccNSO membership accordingly. The decision becomes effective upon publication.

The Council requests its Chair to submit the Board Report to the Chair of the ICANN Board of Directors as soon as possible after publication of this resolution.

Finally, the Council expresses its appreciation and congratulates the members of the Working Group and specifically, the chair and vice-chairs of ccPDP4 – Kenny Huang and Anil Kumar Jain – for completion of the process.

- **Resolution 206-02**

The ccNSO Council adopts the ccNSO two-year rolling forward FY 25-26 Portfolio of ccNSO activities as the baseline for the ccNSO activities for the coming year, and requests the ccNSO Triage Committee to review and update the Portfolio quarterly.

The secretariat is requested to publish the Portfolio on the ccNSO web-site. This resolution becomes effective upon publication of the Portfolio and the resolution.

- **Resolution 206-03**

The ccNSO Council adopts the proposed charter for the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group (hereafter: the PGA WG or WG) as submitted to the Council on 11 June 2024.

The secretariat is requested to publish this decision as soon as possible and take all the necessary steps to establish the working group. This decision becomes effective upon publication.

The ccNSO Council wholeheartedly thanks Kim Davies, PTI and the Councillors who participated in the ad-hoc Council group, and hope they will continue to participate in the PGA WG.

- **Resolution 206-04**

The secretariat is requested to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group, including organizing a webinar introducing the PGA WG, as soon as feasible, after publication of the resolution and all necessary steps have been completed to establish the PGA WG.

- **Resolution 206-05**

The ccNSO Council requests the secretariat to first launch a call for volunteers of the ccNSO Onboarding and Mentoring Committee (OMC) among the ccNSO Councillors to seek at least three (3) and a maximum of six (6) members, including one (1) NomCom appointed Councillor, taking into account the need for a diverse Committee.

After completion of the call for volunteers among Councillors, the secretariat is requested to launch a call for volunteers for the remaining seat on the OMC to complete membership of the OMC. After completion of both calls for volunteers, the full slate of members of the OMC (Councillors and non-Councillors) will be appointed by the Council.

The secretariat is requested to complete this resolution as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective upon recommendation.

- **Resolution 206-06**

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- **Resolution 206-07**

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- **Resolution 206-08**

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to UASG and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee. In addition, the secretariat is requested to take into account that the ccNSO appointed liaison to the UASG is preferably a member of the ccNSO Universal Acceptance Committee.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- **Resolution 206-09**

To meet the requirement of sections 4 and 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, and to take into account the requirements for the appointment of the ccNSO appointee to the Nominating Committee, the secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointee to the NomCom and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible.

In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and the need to select the appointee well before ICANN81.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- **Resolution 206-10**

The ccNSO Council appoints Claudia Ruiz as the CSC Selection Process Manager and adopts the timeline as proposed for the selection of the newly to be appointed ccNSO member and alternate of the CSC. The Council requests Claudia to launch the call for volunteers at the time foreseen in the schedule and in accordance with the mechanism in the Guideline: Procedure for ccNSO Appointees.

The ccNSO Council also confirms that the one of the candidates who will not be selected as Member of the CSC, will be requested to become the alternate for the ccNSO appointed Members on the ccNSO.

The ccNSO Council also confirms that the CSC selection committee is composed of the following Councillors: Molehe Wesi, Yiankang Yao, Peter Koch, Jennifer Lopez, Pablo Rodriguez and Olga Cavalli. The committee is mandated by the Council to consult and coordinate the selection of members of the CSC with the RySG and approve the full slate of membership together with the GNSO Council.

The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. The resolution becomes effective upon publication. Finally, the secretariat is requested to inform the community as soon as possible on the upcoming CSC member and alternate nomination and selection process.

Action items

- **Action Item 206-01**

Regarding the approval of the Board Report on the Proposed Policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings and related variants:

- The Secretariat is requested to publish this decision as soon as possible on the ccNSO website and inform the ccNSO membership accordingly.
- The Council Chair is requested to submit the Board Report to the Chair of the ICANN Board of Directors as soon as possible after publication of this resolution.

- **Action Item 206-02**

Regarding the ccNSO FY25-26 Portfolio of ccNSO activities:

- The Secretariat is requested to publish the Portfolio on the ccNSO website.
- The ccNSO Triage Committee is requested to review and update the Portfolio quarterly.

Additionally, the ccNSO Council Triage Committee is requested to add resourcing - volunteers and staff - to the FY25-26 Portfolio of ccNSO activities.

- **Action Item 206-03**

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to publish the decision to adopt the proposed charter for the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group as soon as possible and take all the necessary steps to establish the working group.

- **Action Item 206-04**

The ccNSO Secretariat is requested to take all necessary steps regarding the launch of a call for volunteers or expression of interest, for the following roles:

- Members ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group (PGA WG)

- At least three (3) and maximum six (6) Council members to the ccNSO Onboarding and Mentoring Committee (OMC), including one (1) NomCom appointed Councillor and one member from the broader ccTLD community
- One (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC
- One (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council
- One (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to UASG
- One (1) ccNSO delegate to NomCom
- One (1) ccNSO Member one one (1) Alternate to Customer Standing Committee (CSC)

- **Action Item 206-05**

Council is expected to prepare a Council statement regarding ICANN's role in the coordination efforts by the technical community, in support of the Multistakeholder Model.

Attendees

Africa

- Ali Hadji Mmadi, .km
- Biyi Oladipo, .ng (Vice-Chair)
- Molehe Wesi, .za

Asia/Australia/Pacific

- Jordan Carter, .au (Vice-Chair)
- Ai-Chin Lu
- Jiankang Yao, .cn

Europe

- Chris Disspain
- Peter Koch, .de
- Nick Wenban-Smith, .uk

Latin America/ Caribbean

- Demi Getschko, .br
- Jenifer Lopez, .pa
- Alejandra Reynoso (Chair)

North America

- Sean Copeland, .vi
- Stephen Deerhake, .as
- Pablo Rodriguez, .pr

NomCom appointed Councillors

- Olga Cavalli
- Wafa Dahmani
- Tatiana Tropina

Liaisons to ccNSO, appointed by ALAC and GNSO

- Desiree Miloshevic, GNSO liaison to ccNSO Council

- Laura Margolis, ALAC liaison to ccNSO Council

ICANN Staff

- Joke Braeken
- Bart Boswinkel
- Kimberly Carlson
- Claudia Ruiz

Invited Guests

- None

Apologies received

None

Background and supporting documents

- Council workspace for this meeting:
<https://community.icann.org/x/1QAZew>
- ccNSO correspondence: statements and responses:
<https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/statements.htm>

Agenda

1. Welcome and roll call

Welcome by Alejandra Reynoso, the Chair of the ccNSO.
There are no objections to the proposed agenda as circulated.

a. Establish whether meeting is Quorate

Claudia Ruiz, ccNSO Secretariat, confirmed the meeting is quorate

b. Update Statement of Interest

No updates were disclosed.

Administrative matters

2. Relevant Correspondence

No correspondence since the last meeting

3. Minutes & Action Items

a. Minutes Meeting 205: Circulated 27 May 2024

The prior meeting's minutes are approved. No questions or comments were raised regarding the new format. Council expressed its support for the new format.

b. Action items

All action items are completed. No questions or comments were raised regarding these agenda items. Action Items 204-05, 205-01, 205-03, 205-05 were discussed during the meeting:

- Action Item 204-05:
Post ICANN80, Council to decide whether to keep the policy gap analysis group ad-hoc or create a fully mandated working group. (Completed, see item 13 on the agenda)
- Action Item 205-01:
Based on a strawman by the ccNSO Secretariat, the ad hoc gap analysis team will produce a draft charter for a future gap analysis working group, for consideration by Council and the ccTLD Community at ICANN80. (Completed, see item 13 on the agenda)
- Action Item 205-03:
By ICANN80, the ccNSO Secretariat is expected to launch a call for volunteers for the following positions:
 - One (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC,
 - one (1) ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council,
 - one (1) liaison to UASG,
 - one (1) ccNSO delegate to the ICANN Nominating Committee(Completed, see agenda item 15)
- Action Item 205-05:
Council is expected to address the need to appoint a CSC member and an alternate at Council Meeting 206.(See agenda item 16)

Alejandra Reynoso suggested to skip agenda items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and to move to agenda item 10. No questions or comments were raised and Council expressed its support to skip to item 10.

4. Intermeeting Decisions (since meeting 205, May 2024)

a. 204-A

Adoption Terms of Reference Onboarding and Mentoring Committee

b. 204-B

Adoption of 20th Anniversary World Café Outcome Report

5. Intermeeting Decisions Triage Committee

No decisions were made since the last meeting

Updates

6. Update ECA, IFRT & CSC

7. Update WGs

- a. ccPDP3-RM*
- b. ccPDP4-IDN*
- c. DASC*
- d. GRC*
- e. IGLC*
- f. MPC*
- g. OMC (was OISC) (no meetings pending call for volunteers)*
- h. SOPC*
- i. Technical WG*
- j. TLD-OPS Standing Committee*
- k. UAC*
- l. Triage Committee*
- m. Registrant capacity ad-hoc group*
- n. IRP Panel selection*
- o. CCG WS2 Implementation*
- p. CIP-CCG*
- q. Prioritization Framework group*

8. Update liaisons

- a. Update ALAC Liaison*
- b. Update GNSO Liaison*
- c. Update UASG Liaison*

9. Update ccNSO Website redesign

10. Update Chair, Vice-chairs, Councillors, Regional Organisations and Secretariat

Alejandra Reynoso mentioned that the ICANN Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) Roundtable meeting, originally planned to be held prior to ICANN80, did not

take place, due to the High Level Government Meeting (HLGM) on Sunday, 9 June. The SO/AC chairs met nonetheless. Highlights of the discussion included:

- Topics for discussion at the next SO/AC Roundtable
- Follow-up conversations regarding ICANN's risk aversion
- Deferral of reviews: theory vs practice
- Procedures and timelines regarding ICANN Bylaws Amendments

Alejandra further added that she met with Tripti Sinha, ICANN Board Chair. Highlights of the discussion included:

- Distribution of governance models across ccTLDs
- Upcoming CSC effectiveness review
- Lack of progress on requested bylaw change

Nick Wenban-Smith asked why the ccTLD governance models were a topic of discussion. No further questions or comments were raised regarding this agenda item, and no further updates were provided.

Administrative Matters - Discussions & Decisions

11. Approval Board Report ccPDP4 (de-)selection of IDN ccTLD strings and variants.

The ccNSO Council adopted the Board Report unanimously. The resolution was moved by Olga Cavalli, seconded by Pablo Rodriguez.

- ***Resolution 206-01***

The ccNSO Council approves the Board Report on the Proposed Policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings and related variants. Per requirements of Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws the Board Report contains:

- The result of the ccNSO Members vote
- The ccNSO Recommendation, following the vote by the Members of the ccNSO
- The Final Report, which contains the Proposed Policy on the (de-)selection of IDNccTLD strings and related variants.

The Council requests the secretariat to publish this decision as soon as possible on the ccNSO website and inform the ccNSO membership accordingly. The decision becomes effective upon publication.

The Council requests its Chair to submit the Board Report to the Chair of the ICANN Board of Directors as soon as possible after publication of this resolution.

Finally, the Council expresses its appreciation and congratulates the members of the Working Group and specifically, the chair and vice-chairs of ccPDP4 – Kenny Huang and Anil Kumar Jain – for completion of the process.

12. Adoption ccNSO FY25-26 Portfolio of Activities

Alejandra Reynoso spoke about the ccNSO Council workshop about the portfolio of activities for the ccNSO for the next two years. The chairs and vice chairs of the ccNSO Working Groups were invited to this workshop and all concluded that the proposed portfolio is complete and the

proposed planning is comprehensive. Alejandra added that work regarding volunteer and staff resources is still pending by the Council Triage Committee.

The ccNSO Council adopted the ccNSO FY25-26 Portfolio of Activities unanimously. The resolution was moved by Stephen Deerhake, seconded by Tatiana Tropina.

- **Resolution 206-02**

The ccNSO Council adopts the ccNSO two-year rolling forward FY 25-26 Portfolio of ccNSO activities as the baseline for the ccNSO activities for the coming year, and requests the ccNSO Triage Committee to review and update the Portfolio quarterly.

The secretariat is requested to publish the Portfolio on the ccNSO web-site. This resolution becomes effective upon publication of the Portfolio and the resolution.

13. Adoption Charter ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group

a. Adoption charter

Jordan Carter, leading the gap analysis ad hoc team, referred to work done since ICANN78 and the reasons for undertaking this work. He expressed his support for formalising the work as part of a new ccNSO Working Group. Alejandra Reynoso referred to the proposed charter, as previously circulated.

The ccNSO Council adopted the Charter of the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group unanimously. The resolution was moved by Sean Copeland, seconded by Biyi Oladipo.

- **Resolution 206-03**

The ccNSO Council adopts the proposed charter for the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group (hereafter: the PGA WG or WG) as submitted to the Council on 11 June 2024.

The secretariat is requested to publish this decision as soon as possible and take all the necessary steps to establish the working group. This decision becomes effective upon publication.

The ccNSO Council wholeheartedly thanks Kim Davies, PTI and the Councillors who participated in the ad-hoc Council group, and hope they will continue to participate in the PGA WG.

b. Call for Volunteers

Alejandra Reynoso referred to the various upcoming calls for volunteers, noting that those for the CSC and the PGA WG have priority.

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO Policy Gap Analysis Working Group unanimously. The resolution was moved by Olga Cavalli, seconded by Jenifer Lopez.

- **Resolution 206-04**

The secretariat is requested to launch a call for volunteers for the PGA WG, including organizing a webinar introducing the PGA WG, as soon as feasible, after publication of the resolution and all necessary steps have been completed to establish the PGA WG.

14. Call for Volunteers ccNSO Onboarding and Mentoring Committee (OMC)

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO Onboarding and Mentoring Committee unanimously. The resolution was moved by Tatiana Tropina, seconded by Biyi Oladipo.

- **Resolution 206-05**

The ccNSO Council requests the secretariat to first launch a call for volunteers of the OMC among the ccNSO Councillors to seek at least three (3) and a maximum of six (6) members, including one (1) NomCom appointed Councillor, taking into account the need for a diverse Committee.

After completion of the call for volunteers among Councillors, the secretariat is requested to launch a call for volunteers for the remaining seat on the OMC to complete membership of the OMC. After completion of both calls for volunteers, the full slate of members of the OMC (Councillors and non-Councillors) will be appointed by the Council.

The secretariat is requested to complete this resolution as soon as possible. This resolution becomes effective upon recommendation.

15. Call for Volunteers / Expression of Interest

- a. ccNSO Liaison to the ALAC**

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC unanimously. The resolution was moved by Peter Koch, seconded by Jordan Carter.

- **Resolution 206-06**

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to ALAC and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

- b. ccNSO Liaison to the GNSO**

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council unanimously. The resolution was moved by Olga Cavalli, seconded by Pablo Rodriguez.

- **Resolution 206-07**

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to GNSO Council and propose the Process Manager for this

specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee.

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c. ccNSO Liaison to the UASG

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO appointed liaison to UASG unanimously. The resolution was moved by Sean Copeland, seconded by Ali Hadji Mmadi.

• ***Resolution 206-08***

To meet the requirement of section 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, the ccNSO secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointed liaison to UASG and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible. In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and call for volunteers for the working group and committee. In addition, the secretariat is requested to take into account that the ccNSO appointed liaison to the UASG is preferably a member of the ccNSO Universal Acceptance Committee.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

d. NomCom appointee

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for the ccNSO appointee to the NomCom unanimously. The resolution was moved by Biyi Oladipo, seconded by Molehe Wesi.

• ***Resolution 206-09***

To meet the requirement of sections 4 and 8 of the Guideline ccNSO Appointment Procedures, and to take into account the requirements for the appointment of the ccNSO appointee to the Nominating Committee, the secretariat is requested to propose a timeline for the call for expression of interest to fill the role of ccNSO appointee to the NomCom and propose the Process Manager for this specific selection process as soon as possible.

In proposing the timeline for the call for expression of interest and the selection, the secretariat is requested to take into account the selection processes for the other positions, and the need to select the appointee well before ICANN81.

This resolution becomes effective upon publication.

16. CSC Membership Selection - Call for expression of Interest ccNSO appointed Member and Alternate & Mandate ccNSO CSC Selection Committee

The ccNSO Council adopted the decision to launch a call for volunteers for one member to CSC, and one alternate. The resolution was moved by Jenifer Lopez, seconded by Pablo Rodriguez.

- **Resolution 206-10**

The ccNSO Council appoints Claudia Ruiz as the CSC Selection Process Manager and adopts the timeline as proposed for the selection of the newly to be appointed ccNSO member and alternate of the CSC. The Council requests Claudia to launch the call for volunteers at the time foreseen in the schedule and in accordance with the mechanism in the Guideline: Procedure for ccNSO Appointees.

The ccNSO Council also confirms that the one of the candidates who will not be selected as Member of the CSC, will be requested to become the alternate for the ccNSO appointed Members on the ccNSO.

The ccNSO Council also confirms that the CSC selection committee is composed of the following Councillors: Molehe Wesi, Yiankang Yao, Peter Koch, Jennifer Lopez, Pablo Rodriguez and Olga Cavalli. The committee is mandated by the Council to consult and coordinate the selection of members of the CSC with the RySG and approve the full slate of membership together with the GNSO Council.

The secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible. The resolution becomes effective upon publication. Finally, the secretariat is requested to inform the community as soon as possible on the upcoming CSC member and alternate nomination and selection process.

Substantive Matters - Discussions & Decisions

17. Progress Response Board Caucus questions Review Mechanism

Stephen Deerhake, chair ccPDP3-RM and Jordan Carter, co-leading the draft of the response, mentioned that good progress has been made, and that the questions mainly relate to implementation. Bart Boswinkel, issue manager, referred to attempts to avoid changes to the proposed policy.

18. Outcomes/Observations sessions ICANN80 relevant ccNSO

- Session gTLD DNS Abuse Contractual amendments

Chris Disspain appreciated the exchange with GNSO and mentioned that a closer relationship between ccNSO and GNSO DNS Abuse efforts are worth pursuing.

- ccTLD News

Olga Cavalli particularly appreciated the ccTLD News session, and expressed the wish to dedicate more time to interaction with presenters.

- Call for volunteers

Nick Wenban-Smith expressed the wish to thank the former volunteers. Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO Secretariat, mentioned that this would be taken into consideration, once their terms have ended.

- Root Server System Governance Working Group

Peter Koch provided a heads up regarding an upcoming call for volunteers for ccNSO appointees.

- ICANN plenary sessions on WSIS+20 and the Strategic Planning

Jordan Carter mentioned that ICANN should accelerate in terms of technical coordination in support of the Multistakeholder Model. Councillors expressed support to draft a Council statement. Following a short discussion on the role of ICANN and the expectations by ccNSO, Tatiana Tropina mentioned that the statement would be a useful alignment exercise on views, regardless of whether it would be sent out or not.

19. AOB

There were no items for discussion

20. Next Council Meetings

18 July 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 207
22 August 2024 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 208 - may be deferred
19 September 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 209
17 October 2024 | 21:00 UTC, Meeting 210
14 November 2024 | time TBD, Meeting 211 (at ICANN 81)
12 December 2024 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 212
16 January 2025 | 18:00 UTC, Meeting 213
13 February 2025 | 12:00 UTC, Meeting 214

21. Thank you

Alejandra Reynoso thanked all who made the ICANN80 ccNSO Sessions possible, in particular: RICTA, the .rw ccTLD Manager, including Grace Ingabire, CEO at RICTA and her team, for inviting the ccTLD Community to the Kigali Genocide Memorial; The sponsors to the ccNSO cocktail; Kimberly Carlson, outgoing member of the ccNSO Secretariat and welcome to Claudia Ruiz; The ccNSO working groups who hosted sessions at ICANN80; The ccNSO Secretariat and language services team; Those who participated in and contributed to the sessions.

22. Adjourn