

**Notes, Agenda and Resolutions**  
**ccNSO Council Meeting 207**  
18 July 2024, 21.00 UTC

**1. Welcome and roll call**

Any AOB? None

Apologies Molehe, after the call Wafa

**1. Is meeting Quorate?**

Not quorate at the start of the meeting, meeting quorate after Biyi joined when item 8 was discussed. No decision until then.

**2. Update Statement of Interest**

For information [Guideline](#) & [Template](#)

No updates

**Administrative matters**

**2. [Relevant Correspondence](#)**

Letter to ICANN re WSIS+20 (Item 10.3)

**3. Minutes & Action Items**

**1. *Minutes Meeting 206***: Circulated 26 June 2024

No comments, adopted as circulated

**2. *Action items***

Results 206-04 to be discussed, no questions

- **Action Item 206-01 (Completed)** - 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 (Completed)**- 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 (Completed)**- 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 (Completed - see item 11 on the agenda)** - 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 and one (1) Alternate to Customer Standing Committee (CSC)
  
- **Action Item 206-05 (Completed)** - 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.

#### **4. Intermeeting Decisions (since meeting 206, June 2024)**

1. **206-A** Order of preference candidates Pilot Holistic Review.
2. **206-B** Approval timeline Councillors 360 evaluation
3. **206-C** Approval of Council statement regarding ICANN's role in the coordination efforts by the technical community, in support of the Multistakeholder Model

No questions or comments

#### **5. Intermeeting decisions Triage Committee**

The Triage Committee has made no decisions since the last meeting.

No questions or comments

## **Updates**

Item 6, 7b and 8: written updates, no questions.

Peter Koch: heads-up regarding the Root Server System Governance WG (RSSG WG) cross-community WG, two appointees ccNSO. Propose future governance structure root-server system. Current proposal:

Structure with different "strengths". gTLDs and ccTLDs different stature: designed 24 members , 12 Root-server other 12 , 6 gTLD and 6 ccTLDs

Only acceptable if at least parity

Challenge to find adequate volunteers. To date no call for volunteer

**Action 207-01 Peter to send email to list and get back with response and put on the agenda next meeting**

**Action 207-2: Secretariat to include update from RSSG WG under written updates starting item 208**

**6. Update ECA, IFRT & CSC (written updates)**

**7. Update WGs (written updates)**

- 1. IGLC**
- 2. GRC**
- 3. SOPC**
- 4. (new) PDA WG**
- 5. TLD-OPS**
- 6. DASC**
- 7. Technical WG**
- 8. MPC**
- 9. UAC**
- 10. IRP Panel selection**
- 11. CCG WS 2 Implementation**
- 12. Prioritization Framework group**

**8. Update liaisons (written updates)**

- 1. Update ALAC Liaison**
- 2. Update GNSO Liaison**
- 3. Update UASG Liaison**

**9. Update ccNSO Website redesign**

Informational

Brief update wire framing, frequent meetings

**10. Update Chair, Vice-Chairs, Councillors, RO's and Secretariat**

- 1. ICANN81 Planning call (Block schedule, Plenary topics)**

Block schedule shared. ccNSO block schedule based to be discussed under item 17

Including suggestion topic plenary

- 2. Takeaways meeting with GNSO Council**

Deferral 3<sup>rd</sup> CSC Effectiveness Review

Update top3

- PGA

- Management of workload
- “How we meet-discussion. Some concern about process
- Brief discussion on WSIS+20.
- Tentative agreed to continue, potential follow-up

### **3. WSIS + 20 Conversation**

WSIS+20 – Conversation

Introduction letter

Timely, GAC and ccNSO most active in this area

Develop more active strategy

ICANN more active leadership role (facilitator/convenor)

Better and more frequent information sharing

More and targeted messaging

Jordan: Unfortunate need for letter. Re-agreeing to do things agreed up in January

Plenary session in ICANN81, what should community do

Call for support:

Risk Temptation to wait until session. Always geopolitical session, extend and use for purpose. Ask to be used.

Action with ICANN

Jordan: Conscious of the risk. Mitigate, by using session to take stock and be forward looking on next steps, involving community. ICANN is expected to work with community well ahead of ICANN81 to develop strategy  
Use plenary to present results to date, and make it community session, not ICANN staff

**Action 207-03: Jordan to provide note to be used for the plenary**

**Action 207-4: Alejandra to inform planning team with placeholder note by 19 July 2024**

## **Administrative Matters & Decisions**

### **11. Appointment Members to Committees and Working Groups**

#### ***a. Progress Selection CSC member & Alternate***

Update open until today

At least two candidates - selection needed

CSC selection committee involved – secretariat will schedule meeting with RySG to coordinate members selection.

#### ***b. Approval appointment members Policy Gap Analysis Working Group***

Call for volunteers and webinar

19 volunteers

Mixed-bag

Chris – Like to participate in other, join as Councillor

Nick: likes to participate as well

Will be added to the list with formal on-line decision

Resolution For decision

Mover: Pablo

Secunder: Jordan

Resolution Adopted, no abstention, no objections

**Action 207-5: The secretariat to inform all volunteers of outcome Council decision and publish the Resolution as soon as possible**

## Resolution

### **Background**

Following the call for volunteers, nineteen (19) persons volunteered:

Full name	Affiliation
Pablo Rodriguez	.pr
Laura Margolis	ALAC Liaison to ccNSO
Abdalmonem Galila	National Telecom Regulatory Authority
Laxmi Prasad Yadav	.np
Mirjana Tasić	Serbian National Internet Domain Registry
Federica Tortorella	LACTLD
Maria Camila Rojas Azula	ccTLD .co
Diego Ernesto LunaQuevedo	Legal consultant of the ccTLD .co
Rocío de la Fuente	LACTLD
Peter van Roste	CENTR
Erick Iriarte Ahon	ccTLD .pe
Irina Danelia	.ru/.pφ
Eduardo José Tomé Peralta	.HN
Sagar Gupta	Volunteer
Atsushi ENDO	.jp
Jordan Carter	.au
Svetlana Lobanova	.RU and .Pφ ccTLDs
Pengyu Zhu	.cn
Peter Koch	.DE

The secretariat noted that one person has not listed an association with a ccTLD or other entity. One person is liaison from the ALAC to the ccNSO, and three (3) persons are related to a Regional ccTLD Organisation.

According to its charter the Council appoints members, which are persons who are related to a ccTLD Manager. The Regional ccTLD Organisations may appoint a liaison and, finally other SO and AC may appoint a liaison at the request of the chair of the working group.

***Decision***

**The ccNSO Council appoints the following persons who are related to a ccTLD, as members of the Policy Gap Analysis Working Group:**

**The Council confirms the persons associated with a Regional Organization as liaisons to the Working Group and the ALAC liaison to the Council is confirmed as participant.**

**The person who is not associated with a ccTLD, Regional Organization or invited by the chair, may attend the meetings as an observer.**

**The secretariat is requested to inform all volunteers according to the designations above and organise the first meeting of the working group as soon as feasible.**

**The Council appoints Jordan Carter as initial chair of the Working Group. The Working Group is requested to nominate its chair and a vice -chair as soon as possible, after which the Council will appoint those persons.**

**Finally, the secretariat is requested to publish this resolution as soon as possible on the ccNSO website. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.**

***c. Schedule other calls for volunteers/expression of interest***

***d. Tech Working group appointment of Vice Chairs***

Stephen circulated update Tech WG, which included the nomination two new vice-chairs. Jacques Latour stepped down, and Ondrej Filip end of term

Mover: Pablo

Secunder: Jordan

No questions re Resolution

No objection, no abstentions

Thank to Jacques for years of service as vice-chair. Hopes he stays involved. Thank you to Niklas and Ondrej for stepping up, and accepting role as vice-chair.

**Action 207-6: Secretariat requested to inform Tech WG of decision and publish resolution as soon as possible**

**Resolution**

***Background***

One of the Tech Working Group's vice-chair, Jacques Latour, stepped down before the end of his term. The three year term of the other vice-chair, Ondrej Filip, ended. In accordance with its charter, the Tech Working Group nominated Niklas Poussette for a two-year term, and Ondrej Filip, for a three year term.

### ***Decision***

**At the nomination of the Tech Working Group Niklas Poussette is appointed as vice-chair of the Tech Working Group for a two-year term, and Ondrej Filip, as vice-chair for a three year term.**

**The ccNSO Council thanks wholeheartedly Jacques Latour for serving as vice-chair, and hopes he will stay involved in the Tech Working Group. The secretariat is requested to inform the Tech WG accordingly and publish this resolution. This resolution becomes effective upon publication.**

## **12. 2025 Annual Council Election - Approval of Timeline appointment Election Process Manager**

For Decision

Background material: Timeline Council Elections

Timeline shared with Council. Take into account Q&A with Candidates and appointment of Election Process Manager, No questions or comments

Mover: Pablo

Secunder: Peter

No abstentions, no objections

**Action 207-7: Secretariat to publish resolution on Council Election as soon as possible to become effective**

### **Resolution**

#### ***Background***

In accordance with ICANN Bylaw section 10.3 (d), the following five (5) ccNSO members appointed Councillors will need to step down at the end of the ICANN82 ccNSO meeting (March 2025):

- Biyi Oladipo (AF Region)
- Jordan Carter( AP Region)
- Nick Wenban-Smith ( EU Region)
- Demi Getschko (LAC Region)
- Pablo Rodriguez (NA Region)

According to the ccNO Guideline on Election of Council members, the ccNSO membership should have an opportunity to interview candidates at a meeting prior to the election process (see:

<https://ccnso.icann.org/sites/default/files/field-attached/guideline-ccnso-council-election-procedure-31aug17-en.pdf> ).

Further, and also according to the aforementioned Guideline, the ccNSO Council needs to appoint an Election Process Manager.

### ***Decision***

The ccNSO Council adopts the proposed timeline for the ccNSO Council Elections 2025 as circulated to the Council on 12 July 2024, and requests the secretariat to publish this timeline and resolution as soon as possible to inform the community accordingly.

The ccNSO Council appoints Joke Braeken, ccNSO Secretariat, as the Election Process Manager.

In accordance with the adopted timeline the ccNSO Council launches the ccNSO Council Election Process and requests the Election Process Manager to open the call for Nominations on 1 October 2024.

This decision becomes effective immediately upon publication.

## **Substantive Matters & Decisions**

### **13. 3rd CSC Effectiveness Review: How to handle the review**

For Discussion & Decision

Background material: Briefing note 3rd CSC Effectiveness Review (was circulated in preparation of joint ccNSO-GNSO Councils meetings)

According to the ICANN Bylaws and Charter of the Customer Standing Committee, the 3<sup>rd</sup> CSC effectiveness review is expected to start around 1 October 2024. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Review was concluded in June 2022, and one of the recommendations was to amend the ICANN Bylaws (and Charter of the CSC) to expand the duration between the reviews to five years after the previous review was concluded. Amending section 17.3 is a Fundamental Bylaw change. Further, according to section 17.3 (b) the method of review will be determined by the ccNSO and GNSO and the findings of the review will be published on the Website.

Sentiment in May: defer the 3<sup>rd</sup> Effectiveness review. Meeting with GNSO Council agreed to draft joint letter CSC: support deferral. Not all recommendations have been implemented due to short time-frame between conclusion 2<sup>nd</sup> review in April 2023. Also noted 3<sup>rd</sup> CSC effectiveness will run partially in parallel with 2<sup>nd</sup> IANA Function Review, limiting pool of potential liaisons and volunteers.

Agree with letter to defer

No Abstentions, No Objections

Google doc, build on briefing note, to be circulated to full Council for approval and to be shared with GNSO Council.

**Action 207-8: Secretariat and Councillors to draft letter on deferral 3<sup>rd</sup> CSC Effectiveness Review and to revisit decision in 1 year. To be shared with Council in 2 weeks, in time for next Council meeting.**

### **14. Review Travel Funding**

Introduction and discussion

Peter:

Travel Funding convened to discuss application ICANN82. Questions around Criteria and long term objective

Secretariat: quality of the process, under continuous improvement

Timely: travel funding.

Sounds good for this specific purpose.

Council supports approach

Peter, and others in time for next round? ICANN82 and/or 83

Jennifer agrees

**Action Item 207-9: Travel Funding with assistance of secretariat to update travel funding process, using ccNSO Continuous Improvement Framework. Provide an update on progress by next meeting, and with aspiration to conclude update by next round of travel funding requests (for ICANN82 or 83).**

### **15. Discussion on ICANN's "How we meet" initiative**

For Information & discussion

Background Material: Initiating Note & "How we meet" discussion paper (were circulated by Alejandra 8 July 2024)

Meeting in Kigali with Sally. Introduce: How we meet, How we work. Further detailed in Mary Wong paper and cover note.

3 elements:

- Goal/Purpose of discussion on "how we meet"
- Process
- Suggestions for topics to consider

Detail of process:

- First call end July
- Second Call end August
- Third call

Chris expressed concern on process. Role of SO/AC group limited. Re-iterate that concern already raised around CIP-CCG. In this case shorter time-frame ( 8 July to end July) and far bigger impact.

Chris: Singularly inappropriate. To date two major reviews of meeting strategy; First one , as part of the Formal review ICANN 2.0 ( 2002/2003)– Second one CCWG Meeting Strategy ( 2012-2014)

Simply not right way: RySG most likely to respond in same way

Nick: Asked to Sally question, what is carbon imprint/ Post-covid

Environmental/ sustainability. Financial driver important, other impact more important

Jordan: Discussion charge with cost saving bias, should be with stewardship focus.

Conclusion Clear to push-back. No objections, and no abstention

Write letter/email. This should include

- SO/AC not right forum
- Timeline is prohibitive
- Propose alternatives

Drafting team – Jordan, Chris, Alejandra, Sean & Nick

Final draft to be circulated to list for approval. To be concluded in 2 weeks.

**Action 207 – 10: Drafting team (Jordan, Chris, Alejandra, Sean & Nick) draft response to invite to discuss “How we meet”. Circulate draft by 26 July to Council**

## **16. Continuous Improvement Program Cross Community Group (CIP-CCG)**

For Information & discussion

Update by Sean & Irina

Latest slide deck to be circulated to the list.

**Action 207 -11: Sean to circulate slide deck and questions to Council . Councillors requested to respond timely.**

## **17. Tentative ccNSO Block Schedule ICANN81**

For Information

Tentative block schedule ccNSO will be shown during the meeting

Quick run through

## **18. AOB**

No AOB

## **19. Next Council Meetings**

- August 22 – 18:00 UTC (208)
- September 19 – 12:00 UTC (209)
- October 17 – 21:00 UTC (210)
- November 14 @ICANN80 – (211) – time TBD
- December 12 – 12:00 UTC (212)
- January 16, '25 - 18:00 UTC (213)
- February 13, '25 - 12:00 UTC (214)

**20. Adjourn – Meeting closed 13.35 UTC**