

Update on WHOIS Disclosure System Implementation

ICANN76 Meeting with GNSO Small Team



11 March 2023

Agenda

- Board Resolution
- Timeline
- Proposed Name of the System
- Open Discussion on the Next Steps
- For Future Discussion

Board Resolution

- [Resolution](#) on WHOIS Disclosure System implementation adopted 27 February.
- ICANN Board directed Interim President and CEO to:
 - Develop and launch the System within 11 months from the date of the resolution.
 - Operate the System for up to two years from the date of launch, and collect and report on usage data.
 - Continue to engage with the GNSO Council concerning the implementation of the System, including the System's name.
 - Work with the Small Team and the Council to encourage comprehensive System usage by data requestors and by ICANN-accredited registrars throughout the development and operation of the System.

Board Resolution - Cont'd

- ◉ **ICANN Board urges the GNSO Council** to consider a Policy Development Process or other means to require registrars to use the System, as recommended by the Small Team in the Addendum submitted to the GNSO Council.
- ◉ **ICANN Board will engage with the GNSO Council together with the Small Team and ICANN organization** to establish success criteria for this System, which should include analysis of relevant usage data.

Timeline

The following is a high-level timeline that will be updated as project progresses:

Late February 2023	Project Kick Off	
Late June 2023	Simple End-to-End feature completed Community Update	Awareness Campaign
Late August 2023	Bulk Processing feature completed Community Update	
September - November 2023	Registrar Early Access (Onboarding)	
Late November 2023	Email Encryption feature completed Launch of the Service & Community Update	
2024 - 2025	Ongoing monitoring and reporting	

“Registration Data Request Service”

- Does this proposed name meet the Small Team’s expectations?
- Does the proposed name accurately describe the expected utility and service?

Open Discussion on the Next Steps

- ICANN org proposes meeting monthly with the Small Team, with flexibility for both sides to cancel and/or add additional meetings if needed.
- How does the Small Team envision working with ICANN org most effectively over the next 9+ months during the implementation phase?
- Does the Small Team have any urgent questions or issues that ICANN org can address now?

For Future Discussion

ICANN org began project ramp-up work in December and has identified some areas for future discussion with the Small Team:

- How can we best work together throughout the development and operation of the System to encourage comprehensive System usage by data requestors and by ICANN-accredited registrars?
- Is there a preference for format and platform for the published metrics reports?
- Is there a desirable frequency for which registrars ought to log into the Naming Services Portal (NSp) to report on disclosure decisions?

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Thank You

For more information:

<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/whois-disclosure-system-2022-12-22-en>



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