Update on the Registration Data Request Service

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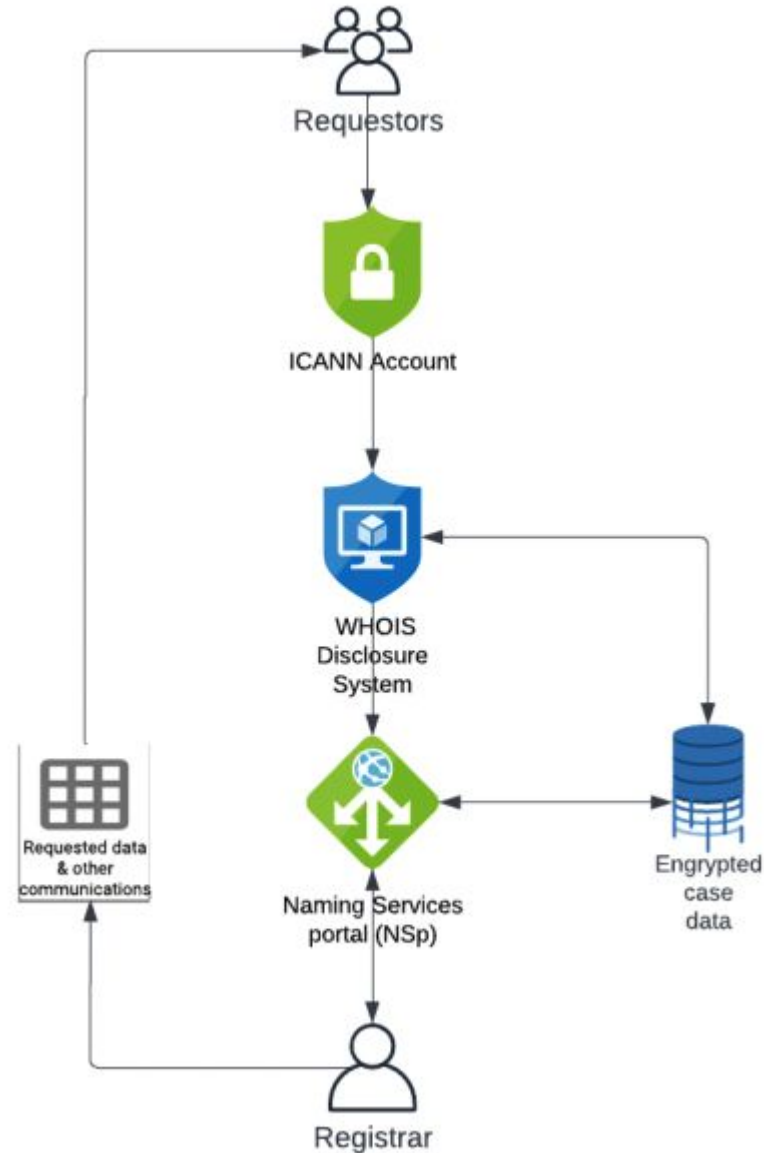
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Background

- Following ICANN org's [Operational Design Assessment](#) of the EPDP Phase 2 team's [18 SSAD policy recommendations](#), the Board raised [concerns](#) related to the significant time and resources required to build a system for which demand was unknown.
  - The GNSO Council asked the EPDP Phase 2 Small Team to review the ODA and provide input to the Council.
  - The Small Team [recommended](#) to the Council to proceed with a simpler design for requesting non-public gTLD registration data.
- The Board [paused](#) consideration of the SSAD policy recommendations, at the Council's [request](#), to allow for the org and Council to explore implementation of a simpler system.
  - ICANN org's [design](#) has evolved with input from the Small Team and wider community, and is now [supported](#) by the Council.
  - The [Annex](#) to the Temp Spec recognizes development of an access model as an important issue for further community action.
- The Board adopted a [resolution](#) directing the org to begin implementing the design on 27 Feb.
- Agreement with Small Team to rename the Registration Data Request Service – formerly WHOIS Disclosure System.

About the Registration Data Request Service

- ◉ The system provides one platform for both requestors and registrars to submit and receive requests for nonpublic gTLD registration data in a standardized format.

- ◉ The system is more cost effective than the one outlined in the SSAD Operational Design Assessment.

- ◉ The system will provide actionable data for the Board and Council to discuss the disposition of the EPDP Phase 2 Team's 18 SSAD-related policy recommendations.

- ◉ The system aligns with what the Small Team requested.

- ◉ The system is voluntary. There are no contractual or policy requirements that mandate registrars' use.

About the Registration Data Request Service

Board Resolution

- The [Resolution](#) was adopted 27 February 2023.

- 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 its name.

  - Work with the Small Team and Council to encourage comprehensive system usage by data requestors and by ICANN-accredited registrars throughout development and operation of the system.

- ICANN Board also urged GNSO Council to consider a Policy Development Process or other means to require registrars to use the system.

Next Steps

- Service development and launch by ICANN org over the next 11 months, in consultation with the GNSO Council, Small Team, and wider ICANN community.

- Periodic community updates.

- After launch, service operation (including collection and reporting on usage data) for up to two years.

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