

1. ccNSO Proposal

The ccNSO Council suggests a plenary session during the ICANN 81 meeting to be held in Istanbul in November 2024, on the topic of the WSIS+20 Review and what ICANN (the community and the organisation) can do to help advertise and preserve ICANN's multi-stakeholder model, and the broader multi-stakeholder internet governance approach, during the Review.

ICANN is working with the community to reflect on lessons learned in the GDC process during 2023-2024, and developing a strategy for the role ICANN and its community can play during the WSIS+20 review in 2024 and 2025. By the time ICANN81 rolls around, this strategy should be well developed, and it will be time to further mobilise the ICANN community around the role it can play in this important work.

The main outcomes of such a session should be that:

- The ICANN community is well informed about the strategic approach to the WSIS+20 Review, and what role individual organisations and communities can play
- The ICANN community is mobilised to play the roles they can play as part of the Review

A secondary outcome would be the sharing of greater insight about where the WSIS+20 review is at, though this can be covered in the Geopolitical session.

3) At-Large/ ALAC Proposal

Working Title: Shifting Paradigms: Multistakeholderism, Geopolitics, International Law, and New Internet Infrastructures.

Objective/Aims:

To explore the intersections of geopolitics, international law, and emerging internet infrastructures. Key topics include the reshaping of the multistakeholder model, implications for new internet infrastructures, and data governance. The discussion will reference the 2024 United States International Cyberspace & Digital Policy Strategy, EU's GDPR, the AI Act, and NIS2. This session is crucial for end users, regulators, policymakers, technologists, legal experts, academics, and other stakeholders in the Internet governance community. It emphasizes the link between infrastructure governance and data management from the end user perspective, highlighting the importance of user-centric approaches in shaping the future of internet infrastructures.

Proposed Speakers:

- Vint Cerf, Internet Pioneer
- Leon Sanchez, ICANN Board Member
- Jorge Cancio, Deputy Head of the International Relations Team at the Federal Office of Communications (OFCOM); GAC Switzerland
- Pari Esfandiari, ALAC/EURALO, Global TechnoPolitics Forum
- Berna Akçalı Gür, Lecturer, CCLS Queen Mary University of London, Associate Research Fellow at UNU-CRIS Digital Cluster
- John Crain, ICANN SVP & Chief Technology Officer

Moderator: Joanna Kulesza, ALAC Liaison to the GAC

Scoping Questions:

1. How should the multistakeholder model evolve to accommodate new internet infrastructures and the shift towards them in governance?
2. What are the primary governance challenges posed by the development of new internet infrastructures and governance models?
3. How do existing regulatory frameworks like GDPR, the AI Act, and NIS2 address the challenges and opportunities presented by new internet infrastructures and respective governance models?

Expected Outcomes:

- A comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities presented by new internet infrastructures and the regulatory shift towards them - MSM implications.
- Insight into how existing regulatory frameworks, including the MSM, can adapt to these emerging technologies.
- Enhanced dialogue among stakeholders on the future of multistakeholder Internet governance.