

Public Comments – Conclusions & Questions

1. The ATRT2 is seeking to engage an Independent Expert to assess whether the GNSO PDP process is effective for developing gTLD policy within ICANN's multi-stakeholder environment. In your view, is the GNSO PDP working well, and if not, what needs to be done? Comments are welcome during the ATRT2 face-to-face meeting in Durban, and we are also seeking to identify people or groups that are interested in providing input to the Independent Expert.
2. The multi-stakeholder model presumes we can get substantive involvement from all stakeholders, including those who do not have financial interests at stake. Is that being achieved effectively, and if not, what does ICANN need to change to be able to do it effectively?
3. There has been a lot of discussion, and some ATRT1 recommendations, related to the Public Comment process. Do you think the process to receive comments is working well, and if not, what needs to be done to fix or change it? For the comments that are received, do you feel that those requested by PDP Working Groups, Staff and the Board are effectively taken into account in ultimate decisions?
4. Do you believe that ICANN's organization of Advisory Committees and Support Organizations and their respective internal organizations are effective in achieving ICANN's multi-stakeholder goals, and if not, how should things be changed?
5. Do you have any comments with regard to ICANN's implementation of the recommendations of the three earlier AoC Review Teams – Accountability & Transparency, WHOIS, and Security, Stability & Resiliency?
6. Do you have concerns about ICANN's overall transparency and accountability, or related issues that are specific to your group?
7. Public comments appear to indicate a concern that there has not been a substantive improvement in accountability and transparency since the ATRT1 Report. What is your impression? What do you recommend we should focus on?
8. Has the Community any specific issues or concerns with other aspects of Security Stability and Resiliency that are outside of DNS specific issue?
9. In regards to public comments, how do Commenters and Staff/Board deal with the practice of orchestrated, high volume from letter commenting (“astro-turfing”)?
10. Does the Community embrace decisions made in regards to IP addresses and AS numbers?

11. How can we ensure that ICANN decisions are embraced or accepted? Do you review the decisions? (If not, why not?) If you don't embrace or accept ICANN's decisions, do you feel your opinion was properly understood and considered?
12. Is transparency sacrificed for expedience when the Board has a difficult decision to make? If yes, please provide examples.
13. Is it clear to you that the Board has a dual role as a governance component inside the organization and is the last stop policy organ? [How do you deal with that dual role?]
14. Do you believe the current Board Reconsideration Process is sufficient?
15. Are the working methodologies of your group fully accountable and transparent? If not, how could they be enhanced or approved.
16. Given GAC constraints, how can GAC convey their input? Is the notion of GAC giving Advice to the Board only and not other groups problematic?