Orange = Whole WG
Yellow = Sub-Team
Green = Task identified in the Charter
Blue = Task identified by the work plan sub-team

Working Group Approach

1. **Deliverable 0A**: Develop working definitions of the main terms
   - Identify which terms need definitions and establish working definitions for WG use
   - Consider existing / other state of the art terms

1. **Deliverable 0B**: A set of [*working*] principles that would underpin any GNSO policy and implementation related discussions, taking into account existing GNSO Operating Procedures. (Charter Question 1)
   - What guidance do ICANN core values (Bylaws Article 1, Section 2) directly provide with regard to policy development work and policy implementation efforts? (e.g., multi-stakeholder participation) (A1)
   - What guidance do other ICANN Core values provide that relate *indirectly to* policy development and policy implementation? (e.g., effective & timely processes) (B2)
   - Questions for discussion' contained in the Policy versus Implementation Draft Framework prepared by ICANN staff (http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/policy-implementation-31jan13-en.htm) (C3)
   - Review GNSO WG Guidelines and PDP Manual to identify possible existing principles (explicitly or implicitly)
   - Review proposed principles in staff discussion paper

2. **Deliverable I**: A process for developing gTLD policy, perhaps in the form of "Policy Guidance", including criteria for when it would be appropriate to use such a process (for developing policy other than "Consensus Policy") instead of a GNSO Policy Development Process. (Charter Question 2)
   - Review mechanisms that the GNSO has used to date to develop policy / advice outside of the PDP (e.g. STI, SCI) and what lessons can be learned from those?
   - Review draft process outlined in Staff Discussion Paper
   - Review 'Questions for discussion' contained in the Policy versus Implementation Draft Framework prepared by ICANN staff (http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/policy-implementation-31jan13-en.htm (A3)
   - What lessons can be learned from past experience? (B4)
     - a. What are the consequences of an action being considered "policy" vs. "implementation?
     - b. Why does it matter if something is "policy" or "implementation"?
     - c. Under what circumstances, if any, may the GNSO Council make recommendations or state positions to the Board on matters of policy and implementation as a representative of the GNSO as a whole?
     - d. How do we avoid the current morass of outcome-derived labeling (i.e., I will call this policy because I want certain consequences/"handling instructions" to be attached to it)?
     - e. Can we answer these questions so the definitions of "policy" and "implementation" matter less, if at all? (B4)
   - What options are available for policy ("Consensus Policy" [2] or other) and implementation efforts and what are the criteria for determining which should be used? (C5)
     - a. Are policy and implementation on a spectrum rather than binary?
     - b. What are the flavors of "policy" and what consequences should attach to each flavor?
     - c. What happens if you change those consequences? (C5)

3. **Deliverable II:** A framework for implementation related discussions associated with GNSO Policy Recommendations (Charter Question 3).
   Deliverable III: Criteria to be used to determine when an action should be addressed by a policy process and when it should be considered implementation. (Charter Question 4)
   Deliverable IV: Guidance on how GNSO Implementation Review Teams, as defined in the PDP Manual, are expected to function and operate. (Charter Question 5)
   - What lessons can be learned from past experience? (A4)
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     - a. Are policy and implementation on a spectrum rather than binary?
     - b. What are the flavors of "policy" and what consequences should attach to each flavor?
     - c. What happens if you change those consequences? (B5)
   - Who determines the choice between whether something is policy or implementation? (C6)
     - a. How is policy set/recommended/adopted and do different paths lead to different "flavors"?
     - b. Who makes these determinations and how?
     - c. How are the policy vs implementation decisions reviewed and approved?
     - d. What happens if the reviewing bodies come to a deadlock? (C6)
   - What is the process by which this identification, analysis, review and approval work is done? (D7)
     - a. How are "policy and implementation" issues first identified (before, during and after implementation)?
     - b. What is the role of the GNSO in implementation?
     - c. In order to maintain multi-stakeholder processes, once policy moves to implementation how should the community be involved in a way that is meaningful and effective?
     - d. Should policy staff be involved through the implementation process to facilitate continuity of the MSM process that already occurred? (D7)

4. **Deliverable V**: Finalize set of principles that would underpin any GNSO policy and implementation related discussions, taking into account existing GNSO Operating Procedures. (Charter Question 1)
   - Review Deliverable 0B (working principles)
   - Review Deliverables I-IV and review how additional principles may be distilled / modified from these to be included in final set of principles