ATRT2 Recommendation 9 Implementation
Decision-Making, Transparency and Appeals Processes
29 January 2015

Major Milestone Timeline

Project Description

Recommendation 9 addresses how ICANN considers formal advice from its Advisory Committees, how decisions of the Board are capable of review, the functioning of the Ombudsman role, reporting on transparency efforts, and ICANN’s Anonymous Hotline.

Project Status

In furtherance of Recommendation 9.1, there is work ongoing to better structure the Advice Tracking Register to track items arising out of various Advisory Committees, to help create better accountability between the Board and its Advisory Committees. See https://features.icann.org/board-advice. Planning is underway for consideration of the proposed Bylaws revision.

For Recommendation 9.3, work is underway on reviewing the scope of the Ombudsman’s role, purpose and description, including the items raised within the recommendation. Towards Recommendation 9.4, in addition to the ongoing transparency efforts already discussed, planning is underway to consider how the requested items can be incorporated into regular reporting cycles, including ICANN’s Annual Reports.

On Recommendation 9.5, effort is underway to identify within Q3 of FY15 an appropriate external provider for review of the Anonymous Hotline Policy.

Some of the portions of this recommendation require external reviews to implement fully, and planning is underway towards those engagements.

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Implementation Notes

Careful attention is being paid to the Enhancing ICANN Accountability review work, particularly in the potential overlap with Recommendation 9.2 on the review of ICANN’s accountability mechanisms through a community review process.

If this is part of the work appropriately scoped there, all efforts will be taken to align the work to avoid duplication.