

ATRT2 Recommendation 10 Implementation

Cross Community Deliberations

31 March 2016

Implementation 10 Timeline



June 2016
Operationalized

Recommendation 10 Implementation Description

This project captures a number of initiatives that are addressing the components of Recommendation 10 in relation to improving the effectiveness of cross community deliberations such as the [GNSO PDP improvements](#), [GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on Early Engagement of the GAC in Policy Development Processes](#) and the [Community Regional Outreach Pilot Program \(CROPP\)](#).

In the meantime a couple of other activities have been initiated that may not have been directly in response to the ATRT2 Recommendation 10 but which are expected to contribute to achieving the goals set out by the Recommendation 10 such as the stakeholder journey, which focuses on how can ICANN get more volunteers to be more meaningfully involved, the Leadership Training Program and the ICANN community mentorship pilot program. Furthermore the GNSO Review Final Report of the Independent Examiner also identifies a number of recommendations that focus on similar areas as the ATRT2 Recommendation 10.

Status of Deliverables

	Responsible	Due Date
Appointment of GNSO Liaison to the GAC	Council	✓
Identify and document additional recommendations for GAC Early Engagement in GNSO PDP	GAC/GNSO CG	ICANN56*
Implementation of CROPP	Staff	Complete**
Document milestones and goals for the GNSO PDP Improvements	GNSO/Staff	ICANN56***
Implementation of facilitated PDP F2F WG meetings pilot project	GNSO/Staff	Complete **

* GAC & GNSO Leadership to discuss timeline shortly – due to workload issues, the Consultation Group has had to reduce its meetings but following discussions during ICANN55, the CG is expected to make progress on its remaining work items by ICANN56.

** Project planning is complete. It is now an ongoing pilot program which is expected to be reviewed in the near future.

*** Status updates are provided to the GNSO Council at each ICANN meeting. See the latest [update](#). Due to other priorities, the GNSO Council is now expected to conduct a final status review by ICANN56 and close out the project.



Complete

Planned/In Process

Behind schedule, expected to recover within original plan

Behind schedule, original plan to be adjusted

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Recent Update: Minor progress updates in relation to CG and PDP WG F2F meeting pilot program.

Project Status

Work is actively under way in relation to most of the recommendation components, although the work of the GAC-GNSO Consultation Group has faced some delay due to workload issues. Nevertheless, the GAC and GNSO agreed to continue the GNSO Liaison to the GAC Pilot Project for FY16 and the GNSO Council recently agreed to implement the Liaison role as a permanent feature. Pre-ICANN55, the consultation group completed its review of the GNSO Liaison to the GAC as well as the implementation of the 'Quick Look Mechanism' to facilitate early engagement of the GAC in GNSO PDPs. The CG is now expected to consult the GNSO and GAC on their experiences with the Quick Look Mechanism and obtain input on the suggestions that have been put forward for additional mechanisms to facilitate (early) engagement by the GAC in the GNSO Policy Development Process. Based on the feedback received, the CG hopes to finalize its work by or shortly after ICANN56.

Furthermore, further progress has been made in relation to GNSO Learn which is part of the GNSO PDP Improvements (see <http://learn.icann.org/courses/gnso>) which now has a full curriculum that has been developed in co-operation with the GNSO community. Another PDP F2F meeting was held in conjunction with ICANN54 as part of the GNSO facilitated PDP WG F2F meeting pilot program. The evaluation of this pilot project was shared with the GNSO Council for its review. As a result of the positive feedback received, it has been proposed that the pilot program becomes a permanent feature for FY17.

CROPP FY16 provides a framework in which each of the At-Large RALOs and GNSO Non-Contract Constituencies have been allocated 5 regional (3-day) outreach trips. The specific processes and guidelines for how these resources are to be made available are set forth on a redesigned [CROPP FY16 Program Elements page](#). For FY16, eligibility for the CROPP program depended on the ability of each participating ICANN structure (i.e., RALO, GNSO Constituency) to create a brief, but clear, **Outreach Strategic Plan** explaining its FY16 outreach goals and planned expectations so that any selected CROPP activities can be coordinated with the appropriate ICANN Regional Engagement teams. GNSO Constituencies have the additional option, on a pilot basis, to select either (a) the five standard CROPP travel authorizations or (b) to host, co-host, or sponsor a targeted community Outreach/Engagement Event at one point during the fiscal year (US \$10,000 target support limit). One community was already selected and utilized the "event" option. The program will be monitored throughout FY16 to assess the effectiveness of its improved processes and to determine if future allocation of resources (in FY17) will be appropriate.

Additional initiatives have been launched recently by ICANN Staff in close co-operation with the ICANN Community such as the Stakeholder Journey and the Community Mentorship Pilot Program which, although not specifically launched in response to the ATRT2 recommendations, are expected to contribute to the objectives of Recommendation 10.

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Implementation Notes

The implementation of this recommendation requires substantial involvement from stakeholders, and volunteer fatigue and prioritization efforts must be considered. Furthermore, several of these initiatives are implemented as pilots. The pilot results will be evaluated relative to project goals and adjustments or alternatives will be considered, as needed. Finally, the importance of diverse and global participation in the policy development process is also reflected in more detail in the [Final Report](#) of the independent examiner of the GNSO Review, including many of the 36 recommendations. The importance of implementing ways to track and measure various improvements has been highlighted by the independent examiner and once implemented, this will assist with ongoing monitoring of effectiveness of implemented improvements. GNSO Community has evaluated the feasibility of these recommendations and proposed prioritization. The Board is expected to take action on these recommendations in the middle of 2016.