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# Briefing on Key Strategic Initiatives

12 October 2014

# List of SI Projects

- NTIA IANA Functions Stewardship Transition
- Enhancing ICANN Accountability
- Strategic and Operating Planning
- Expert Working Group – Next Generation gTLD Directory Services
- WHOIS Review Implementation & Improvements
- GNSO Review
- BWG/NomCom Report
- ATRT2 – Implementation Update

# NTIA IANA Functions' Stewardship Transition

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# Meet the ICG

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- ICG Formed on 3 July
  - 30 community representatives + 2 liaisons
  - Increased GAC representation to 5 members
- Leadership Selected
  - Chair: Alissa Cooper (IETF)
  - Vice-Chairs: Patrik Fältström (SSAC) & Mohamed El Bashir (ALAC)
- Modes of Operation Established
- Two In-Person and 5 Virtual Meetings

# ICG Milestones

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- 27 Aug – Adopted Charter  
*Acknowledges relationship with accountability process*
- 9 Sept – Request for Proposals (RFP) from Communities
  - *Complete formal responses from the “operational communities” of IANA functions due by 15 Jan 2015*
- 9 Sept – Suggested Transition Process Timeline
- 18 Sept – Guidelines for Decision-Making
- 10 Oct - FAQs

# CWG on Naming Related Functions

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- **The CWG in formation** – Co-chaired by Jonathan Robinson
  - GNSO, ccNSO, ALAC, and SSAC formed a Drafting Team after London to develop a charter. All have since adopted the charter
  - GAC has also adopted charter
- **The CWG is open to all** – currently at 80 people (17 members; 63 participants)
- **Conscious of tight schedule**– CWG had its first meeting on 6 October, and will meet again tomorrow afternoon. Frequent meeting schedule expected.

# Enhancing ICANN Accountability

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# Developments Since London

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*ICANN ran a public comment process from 8 May to 27 June. Additional comments were received at ICANN50 and during consultation calls with the SO/AC/SG leadership.*

- **Process posted on 14 August** – followed by FAQ.
- Community request for additional time
  - On 26 August, community leaders sent a letter to Steve and Fadi requesting additional time. Response posted on 28 August.
  - On 2 September, during ICANN Town Hall at IGF, discussion and acknowledgement of the need for additional time and community alignment from the onset of the process.
  - On 3 September, community leader submitted follow up letter with questions about the process. Response provided on 18 September.
- **Additional Comment Period (6-27 September)** – 21-day public comment period on the process, in response to community requests.
  - 17 comments were submitted, including a Joint SO/AC/SG/C Statement

# Structure of Revised Process (10 Oct.)

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- Process revised to propose a CCWG with the following principles reflected:
  - Up to 7 Advisors appointed by the Experts
  - Board liaison selected by the Board
  - ICANN staff
  - ATRT expert selected from ATRT1 and ATRT2 participants
  - IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group linkage
  - Participation open to all
  - Advisors, Board Liaison, Staff do not participate in any votes or calls for consensus.
  - Role of the Board in relation to acceptance of recommendations from the process to be addressed by the Board.
  - Scope and two work streams for immediate (IANA Transition) and long term accountability topics.

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- Scope of the accountability process – two work streams: The topic of accountability is important, and in the discussions around this process, areas and topics have been identified that are important to enhancing ICANN's accountability but not directly related to accountability in the context of the changing historical relationship with the USG.
  - To ensure that over time there's a mechanism to ensure coverage of all areas, including topics outside of the immediate scope of the process, a suggestion is that the CWG establish two work streams or subgroups: one focused on the scope of the work on enhancing ICANN accountability in light of the changing relationship with the USG within the time frame of the transition (Work Stream 1); and a second focused on addressing topics on accountability outside the scope of Work Stream 1, which are longer term (Work Stream 2). This could be reflected in the CWG's Charter.

# Strategic and Operating Planning

# Five Strategic Objectives - streamlined



1. Evolve and further **globalize** ICANN.



2. Support a healthy, stable and resilient **unique identifier ecosystem**.



3. Advance **organizational, technological and operational excellence**.



4. Promote ICANN's role and **multistakeholder approach**.



5. Advance ICANN's global **public responsibility** within its mission and commitment to the **public interest**.

# More Information...

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## Quicklinks

- New gTLDs
- Domain Name Transfer
- WHOIS
- Unsolicited Renewal or Transfer
- Compliance Complaint
- IANA DNSSEC Information
- Board Activity
- Strategic Planning



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## Wednesday, 15 October

Rooms:	Los Angeles	Bev
0700 - 0730		
0730 - 0800		
0800 - 0830		
0830 - 0900	Strategic and Operating Planning (0830 - 0945)	
0900 - 0930		
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# ATRT2 Implementation Update

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- Began in June 2014, upon Board's approval
- Project Management discipline:
  - PMI standards, designed to achieve excellence
  - Roles and responsibilities
  - Project budgets and resources
- Consistent implementation, including KPIs and metrics
- Stakeholder updates each trimester:
  - ICANN web site, wiki, public sessions, webinars
  - Implementation Summaries
  - Portfolio Management System



# Project Management Discipline



# Questions & Answers



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