

CCWG Accountability WS1 – Further Inventory of Accountability Mechanisms
 Draft as of 22 December 2014

Mechanism	Who is accountable?	To whom accountable?	For what?	Review, Redress or Check & Balance
Reconsideration	ICANN staff; ICANN Board	Injured party; ICANN community	Violations of ICANN process/policy; Decisions without material information; Decisions on inaccurate info	Redress
Independent Review	ICANN Board	Injured party; ICANN community	Decisions inconsistent with Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation	Redress
Periodic Structural Reviews	Component organizations	ICANN Community	Continuing purpose in ICANN structure; performance enhancements or modifications	Review
Ombudsman	ICANN Board; ICANN staff; ICANN component organizations	Injured party; ICANN community	Unfairness in treatment	Redress
Policy Consideration Requirements				
GNSO	ICANN Board	GNSO; ICANN community	Consideration of policy recommendations in expected manner	Check and Balance
ccNSO	ICANN Board	ccNSO; ccTLDs; ICANN community	Consideration of policy recommendations in expected manner	Check and Balance
ASO	ICANN Board	ASO/NRO	Consideration of policy recommendations in expected manner	Check and Balance
Advisory Mechanisms				

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SSAC	ICANN community; ICANN Board	SSAC; ICANN Community	Solicitation of and consideration of security-related advice in expected manner	Check and Balance
GAC	ICANN Board	GAC; ICANN Community	Solicitation of and consideration of GAC's public policy advice in expected manner	Check and Balance
ALAC	ICANN Board	ALAC; At-Large Community; ICANN Community	Solicitation of and consideration of advice on activities of ICANN insofar as they relate to the Internet end user in expected manner	Check and Balance
RSSAC	ICANN community; ICANN Board	RSSAC; Root server operators; ICANN community	Solicitation of and consideration of advise on matters relating to root server system in expected manner	Check and Balance
Affirmation of Commitments	ICANN; DoC	DoC's obligations to ICANN and the ICANN community; ICANN's obligations to DoC and ICANN Community	Upholding single, interoperable Internet; remain US headquartered organization; upholding multistakeholder model; taking decisions with published rationale; transparent, accountable, fact-based processes; Variety of reports and reviews	Review and Check and Balance
Laws of State of California	ICANN	California Secretary of State; California and U.S. Courts	Compliance with laws and obligations, including tax-exempt status regulations	Redress and Check and Balance
Jurisdictions where ICANN has a presence	ICANN	Applicable oversight/regulatory bodies	Compliance with laws and obligations	Redress and Check and Balance
Contracts				

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NTIA	ICANN	NTIA; Customers of IANA function	Respect of separation of policy and operational roles; performance standards; required reports; required performance; security requirements	Redress and Check and Balance
Registry & Registrar Agreements	ICANN; Registries; Registrars	Contracted Party	Performance standards; detailed obligations; commitment to dispute resolution mechanisms set out in agreements	Redress and Check and Balance