

# Legal Advice – engagement

Parallel processes:

1. Avenues 1 & 2 + Legal sub-group
    - The two "avenue" working groups to provide WS1 mechanisms to the legal sub-group, based on this input the sub-group will produce a scoping document with questions for the external legal advice
  2. Immediate request for advice
    - Access to a corporate law expert to answer broad initial questions to ascertain what legal mechanisms can be ruled out or short-listed
- Engage external legal advice to answer specific questions as per scoping document
    - Preference to use the same firm as CWG

# Immediate advice

Mechanisms that will empower the community to take various measures regarding ICANN Board action and in-action (inter alia)

- For the community to approve the organization's annual budget and strategic plan
- To have the ability to recommend and implement changes to the bylaws [and articles of incorporation]
- To have the ability to approve changes to the bylaws
- To overturn or require reconsideration of decisions of the Board that were contrary to the bylaws
- In the case of inaction by the Board on an issue developed through community consensus, to require the Board to take action
- Ways to prevent ICANN from acting outside its mission
- To dismiss one or all members of the Board

# Approach

- ICANN to provide response to the initial set of questions
- For areas where questions still remain, ICANN to work with CCWG Leadership to scope issues and determine the most efficient and cost effective way to proceed to get the best advice and inputs for the specific issues.