

**Government of Egypt's comments on  
2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Proposal of Work Stream 1 of the Cross-Community Working Group on  
Enhancing ICANN Accountability (CCWG-Accountability)**

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The Government of Egypt welcomes the opportunity to comment on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Proposal of Work Stream 1 of CCWG-Accountability, and thanks the CCWG-Accountability co-chairs, members, participants and support staff for their tireless efforts and valuable work.

The Government of Egypt reiterates its support to the timely initiative of the U.S. Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to transition its stewardship role of the IANA functions to the global multistakeholder community, and reiterates its support to the principles set by NTIA.

In that respect, Egypt supports enhancing ICANN accountability and the pillars identified by this community-led effort, and further:

- underlines the importance of maintaining the stability of ICANN and its multistakeholder bottom-up nature in any model proposed to enhance its accountability, as well as the importance of stress-testing this model.
- expects the new model to recognize GAC's important role in providing public policy advice, a unique and important characteristic of ICANN.
- stresses the importance of limiting Work Stream 1 recommendations to accountability measures necessary for the transition to take place, as well as the importance of keeping the momentum and ensuring that Work Stream 2 fully examines all remaining accountability measures as identified by the CCWG-Accountability.
- highlights the need for continuous assessment and evaluation of the whole model, including GAC's role and participation to the empowered community model.
- notes ICANN Board's response to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Proposal on Work Stream 1 Recommendations of the CCWG-Accountability and looks forward to considering it in upcoming discussions.

We look forward to participating to GAC and CCWG discussions on enhancing ICANN accountability, at the upcoming ICANN 54 meeting in Dublin.