Application & Process:

AREAS

- Application Processing
- Application Evaluation
- Objection Procedures
- Contention Resolution
- Contracting & Transition to Delegation
- Applicant Support Program
- Continued Operations Instrument
- Program Management

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- Efficiency
- Effectiveness
- Fairness
- Predictability
- Security & Stability
- Alignment to Policy & Implementation Guidelines

INPUT

References

Was the application and evaluation process effective at...

- Addressing the needs of underserved areas and markets?
 - Serving the community
 - o Encouraging participation as providers from within the area
 - Providing effective dispute resolutions for developing regions
 - o Examine barriers to entry for prospective participants for emerging economies
 - o IDN's
 - App support
- Preventing the delegation of TLDs that would be confusing or harmful
 - o Standing in objection process
 - String confusion
 - Singular plurals
 - o Inconsistent decisions/appeals (not sure this is in scope)
- Allowing specific communities to be served by a relevant TLD?
 - o How we define community applicants and design an evaluation process fit to purpose?
 - o IDN's
- Providing equal opportunity for participation in the Program
 - Risk of unfair advantage for those with more money (or disadvantage those with fewer resources)
 - Linguistic barriers
 - Sufficient outreach and awareness
 - o Infrastructure access
- Collecting and implementing GAC public policy advice
 - o Public Interest Commitments: voluntary vs. mandated
 - o Early enough participation by GAC
 - Was GAC advice effectively formulated?
- Can we simplify the process by eliminating "rounds"?