



# **Examples of civil society focus areas in ICANN – "Bite Size" briefings**

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# Civil society in ICANN today: privacy and human rights

## Privacy: ICANN and WHOIS

- Concern - treatment of registrant data
- Discussing privacy protections
- Consideration of data protection regulations

## Cross Community Working Party on ICANN Corporate and Social Responsibility to Respect Human Rights

- Recommendations about the impact of ICANN's work on human rights
- Enhancing accountability workstream 2

# Civil society in ICANN today: operational concerns, and development

## Operational concerns

- Raising awareness of NGOs and not for profits about the value of the DNS
- Capacity development in using the DNS to further their missions

## Development and underserved communities

- Lack of participation by stakeholders from developing countries and regions, their issues are under represented
- Development of internationalized domain names (IDNs)

# Civil society in ICANN today: end-users and the DNS

Preserve the multistakeholder model of ICANN and ensure end-users have equitable footing/participation in policy development

- Public interest and consumer rights protections
- Challenges faced by registrants

# Civil society in ICANN today: access to knowledge, IANA transition

## Access to knowledge and trademarks

- Tension between freedom of expression and trademark rights
- Seeking balance in domain policy and dispute resolution
- Freedom of Expression

## IANA transition and enhancing ICANN accountability

- Advocating for strengthening accountability and transparency
- Opportunities for civil society during implementation and workstream 2

# Civil society in ICANN today: new gTLD, security and technology

## Introduction of new gTLDs

- Monitoring first round (public interest, competition consumer trust and consumer choice)
- Conditions for second round

## Security and technology

- Security and stability of the DNS: security, stability and resiliency