## Questions to be sent on behalf of the Work Stream 2 subgroup on Jurisdiction:

## **Preamble**

The newly-adopted ICANN bylaws created several Work Stream 2 accountability subgroups. One of them, the subgroup on Jurisdiction, is posing the questions below for community input into the subgroup's deliberations.

As directed by Bylaw Article 27, Section 27.1(b)(vi) and to the extent set forth in the CCWG-Accountability <u>Final Report</u>, the Jurisdiction subgroup is addressing jurisdiction-related questions, including how choice of jurisdiction and applicable laws for dispute settlement impact ICANN's accountability.

As further background, the CCWG Accountability tasked this subgroup with addressing questions focused on jurisdiction of contracts and dispute settlements (Final Report, paragraph 06).

Specifically, it asked the subgroup to engage in:

Addressing jurisdiction-related questions, namely: "Can ICANN's accountability be enhanced depending on the laws applicable to its actions?" The CCWG-Accountability anticipates focusing on the question of applicable law for contracts and dispute settlements. [Final Report, paragraph 234]

The subgroup's remit is more particularly described in Final Report, Annex 12, paragraphs 25 through 31.

To help the subgroup in these endeavors we are asking you to consider and respond to the following specific questions.

## **Questions:**