



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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Thomas Rickert
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Co-Chairs, CCWG-Accountability

Dear Thomas, León and Mathieu,

Thank you for providing the recommendation from the CCWG-ACCT's chairs regarding the potential overlap of topics between the third Accountability and Transparency Review (ATRT3) and CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2 (WS2) topics. You raise an important issue. We have not had a chance to address this issue previously given the work needed to complete the transition. Now that we know that the new Bylaws are in place and will govern the ATRT3, the broader ICANN community can consider if and how it wishes to address the issues raised in your letter.

It is not up to the Board to dictate the scope of this important community review. While we share the concerns raised of avoiding duplication of resources, it is essential that the broader ICANN community have a voice in determining how the ATRT3 should be scoped in alignment with the Bylaws. The Board and the ICANN Organization stand ready to support the community's direction.

By way of this response, I'm also cc'ing the leadership of the other SOs and ACs, and attaching your original letter. ICANN57 in Hyderabad might be a good forum to kick off this community conversation on what the ATRT3 should look like.

We look forward to supporting the community's work in the upcoming ATRT3 and in the ongoing WS2 efforts.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stephen D. Crocker
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

cc:
SO/AC Leaders
ICANN Board