

# CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2

## ICANN Ombuds



Meeting #2  
16 August 2016

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# Agenda Meeting #2 Ombuds

1. Call Admin and Roll Call / Apologies (2 min Staff)
2. Welcome – Opening Remarks – Meeting schedule (3 min SBT)
3. Action items Call #1 DT Ombudsman (10 min SBT and all)
4. Discuss our work plan [short and medium term] (15 min)
5. Next Meeting (5 min)
6. AOB (5 min)

# Subgroup Time Slots

Day		WS2-Ombudsman
Monday	August 8, 2016	#01 <b>Omb-WS2 05:00 UTC</b>
Tuesday	August 16, 2016	#02 <b>Omb-WS2 13:00 UTC</b>
Monday	August 22, 2016	#03 <b>Omb-WS2 19:00 UTC</b>
Monday	August 29, 2016	#04 <b>Omb-WS2 05:00 UTC</b>
Tuesday	September 6, 2016	#05 <b>Omb-WS2 13:00 UTC</b>
Monday	September 12, 2016	#06 <b>Omb-WS2 19:00 UTC</b>
Monday	September 19, 2016	#07 <b>Omb-WS2 05:00 UTC</b>
Monday	September 26, 2016	#08 <b>Omb-WS2 13:00 UTC</b>
Monday	October 3, 2016	#09 <b>Omb-WS2 19:00 UTC</b>
Monday	October 10, 2016	#10 <b>Omb-WS2 05:00 UTC</b>
Monday	October 17, 2016	#11 <b>Omb-WS2 13:00 UTC</b>
Monday	October 24, 2016	#12 <b>Omb-WS2 19:00 UTC</b>
Wednesday	November 2, 2016	<b>CCWG</b>
Thursday	November 3, 2016	<b>ICANN 57 03-09 November 2016 Hyderabad</b>
Friday	November 4, 2016	
Saturday	November 5, 2016	
Sunday	November 6, 2016	
Monday	November 7, 2016	
Tuesday	November 8, 2016	
Wednesday	November 9, 2016	

**12 participants + Staff**

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# WS2 “Ombudsman” Drafting Team Tasks

- **To be considered by the WS2 “Ombudsman” DT**
  - Timeline for adoption?
    - By Copenhagen (March 2017)
    - By Johannesburg (June 2017)
  - Are we talking about Ombudsman or Office of the Ombudsman?
  - Evaluate the current Ombudsman charter and operations against industry best practices
    - [Ombudsman Framework](#) (April 2009)
  - Recommend any changes necessary to ensure that the ICANN Ombudsman has the tools, independence, and authority needed to be an effective voice for ICANN stakeholders
    - Term of the ombudsman
    - True independence in a role that is subject to Board renewal
  - Any additional role for the Ombudsman
  - How the new role of the Ombudsman would interact with other mechanisms, to avoid duplication and optimize effectiveness?
  - Any advice to the future ICANN Ombudsman?

# Action Items from #1

- Ombudsman vs **Ombuds**
- Ombuds vs **Office of the Ombuds**
- Timeline: to discuss again
  - No consensus
- Coordination with other DT: candidates?
- Stress Tests vs Ombuds (CLO)
- Research of other industry best practices
  - (in addition of the IOA)
- Who would be willing to take on producing an evaluation the current Ombuds charter and operations against industry best practices?



- **Dependencies between sub-groups**
  - Thomas Rickert: the co-chairs in cooperation with the rapporteurs will closely monitor this to avoid any conflict on dependencies. this subject should be covered at each plenary meeting.
  - Sebastien Bachollet: I would propose to go a little further - I would ask all groups to identify any inter-dependencies with other groups early and advise those groups. This would help lessen potential conflicts.
  - Thomas Rickert: would ask rapporteurs to update the co-chairs on this in two weeks.

1.  **Diversity** (Sébastien Bachollet)
2.  **Human Rights** (Raoul Plommer)
3.  **Jurisdiction** (Farzaneh Badii)
4.  **SO/AC Accountability** (Cheryl Langdon-Orr)
5.  **Staff Accountability** (Avri Doria)
6.  **Transparency** (Michael Karanicolas)
7.  **Reviewing CEP** (Edward Morris TBD)
8.  **Guidelines stand. conduct** (Karel Douglas)
9.  **IRP "Phase 2"** (Robin Gross TBD)
10.  **ICANN Ombuds**

- Stress Tests vs Ombuds (CLO)
  - When?



# Evaluation (1/2)

- Evaluate the current Ombudsman charter and operations against industry best practices
  - [Ombudsman Framework](#) (April 2009)
- International Ombuds Association
  - <http://www.ombudsassociation.org/About-Us/IOA-Standards-of-Practice-IOA-Best-Practices.aspx>
  - [http://www.ombudsassociation.org/IOA\\_Main/media/SiteFiles/IOA\\_Best\\_Practices\\_Version3\\_101309\\_0.pdf](http://www.ombudsassociation.org/IOA_Main/media/SiteFiles/IOA_Best_Practices_Version3_101309_0.pdf)

- The work can be split between the following items
  - Independence
  - Neutrality and impartiality
  - Confidentiality
  - Informality and other standards

# Recommendation

- Recommend any changes necessary to ensure that the ICANN Ombudsman has the tools, independence, and authority needed to be an effective voice for ICANN stakeholders
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- Monday August 22, 2016 19:00 UTC
- Single topic meeting
- **Presentation by the past and current ICANN Ombuds**
- Any questions to be given to the speakers before the call?

