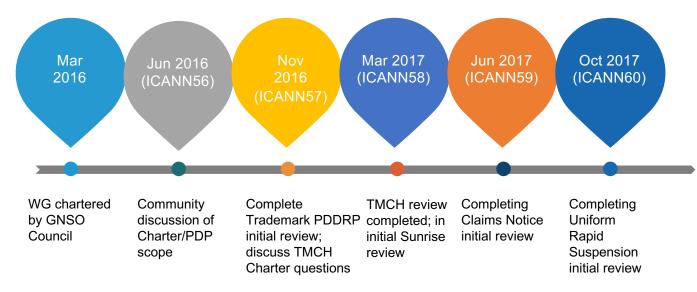




Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs Policy Development Process

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OVERVIEW: Project Timeline & Major Milestones



Publish
Phase One
report for
Public
Comment
(end2017/early
2018)

Commence Phase Two (Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy

WHAT THIS PROJECT IS ABOUT

This PDP was chartered by the GNSO Council to review all the Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) that are currently in operation. Phase One focuses on the RPMs created for the 2012 New gTLD Program; Phase Two on the 1999 Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (which applies to all gTLDs).



What are the current challenges & issues under discussion?

- Timelines are fairly aggressive, though not unreasonable
 - Phase One needs to be completed prior to launch of next expansion round
- Need to coordinate with other parallel efforts
 - o In particular: the ongoing PDP on New gTLD Subsequent Procedures
 - Also: Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH) Independent Review; CCT Review
- TM-PDDRP: seems to be more anecdotal evidence than hard data
 - For TMCH Review: data gathering has commenced so challenges will soon be known - could include identifying comprehensive data sources; developing questions (including surveys); and analyzing data
 - Not clear that all sources will necessarily be able or willing to provide needed data (e.g. confidentiality issues)
- PDP deals with complex issues where there are likely to be strong and divergent views, especially on longstanding issues that have divided parts of the community
- Large numbers of Members and Observers, but not clear that more than a core number are able to participate actively or regularly



How can the GNSO Council & ICANN community assist?

- Working Group has identified data gathering (possibly including professional survey design) as a priority
 - This may require budget and additional resources (e.g. using the new GNSO Data & Metrics Request process)
- Working Group will be seeking information periodically from Service Providers, Registries, Registrars, Registrants and other ICANN SO/ACs
 - Working Group will try to minimize too many such outreach requests and manage their timing, it is important that affected users provide responses
- Working Group may be in a position to hold a face-to-face intensive meeting at ICANN58 (March 2017) or ICANN59 (June 2017)
 - GNSO Council requested to give any such request from the Working Group due consideration
- Together with the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group, two community liaisons have been appointed
 - GNSO Council can provide guidance on how community liaisons should function, e.g. vis-à-vis Council liaisons



Sessions at ICANN57 and Further Information

- Open Working Group meeting/community session: Monday 7
 November, 1100-1215, Hall 6 (remote participation details available at https://community.icann.org/x/P4LDAw)
- Background information: https://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/rpm
- ICANN57 Background Briefing Paper:
 https://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/background-briefing-27oct16-en.pdf (at p.15)
- Working Group Charter: https://community.icann.org/x/2CWAAw
- Working Group online wiki space (with meeting transcripts, call recordings, draft documents and background materials): https://community.icann.org/x/wCWAAw

