During our 28 February call, the RDS PDP WG continued deliberation on the following sub-question:

Question 2.3: What should the over-arching purpose be of collecting, maintaining, and providing access to gTLD registration (thin) data?

The draft statement of purpose previously created by the RDS PDP WG, along with related background materials, can be found in this meeting handout: 28FebMeeting-Handout.pdf (This may be helpful in completing the poll.)

The following poll questions give all WG members an opportunity to confirm, reconsider, or elaborate upon points of agreement that surfaced during the 28 February call. This poll will close at COB Saturday 4 March 2017.

As previously announced, by submitting a response to this poll, you are granting permission for your entire response - including WG member name and response timestamp - to be included in published poll results. Responses submitted by WG members are not assumed to reflect the views of any organization with which they may be affiliated.

Note: A link to the most recently-opened RDS PDP WG poll, along with links to the last meeting's notes/recordings and next meeting materials, can be found here: http://tinyurl.com/ng-rds

* 1. **Your name (must be a RDS PDP WG Member, not Observer, to participate)**

In the 28 February call, the WG reviewed its Draft Registration Data and Directory Services Statement of Purpose, captured in our Key Concepts Working Draft, Section 2.3.

During this call, many WG members expressed support for entire Statement of Purpose depicted below. There were no objections to existing goals and specific purposes, although some members requested time to consider possible additions. This poll confirms support for each goal and specific purpose not addressed in last week's poll, and also provides an opportunity to express any overall concerns, questions, or suggested additions to the Statement of Purpose.

This statement is intended to define the purpose(s) of a potential Registration Directory Service (RDS) for generic top-level domain (gTLD) names. The statement identifies Specific Purposes for registration data and registration directory services. To ensure that the purposes are understood in the appropriate context, a list of goals for each RDS purpose is also provided.

Note that it is important to make a distinction between the purpose(s) of individual registration data elements[1] versus the purpose(s) of a RDS, i.e., the system that may collect, maintain, and provide or deny access to some or all of those data elements [and services related to them, if any.]

Goals for each RDS Purpose

i. *Consistency with ICANN's mission*
ii. *Consistency with other consensus policies that pertain to generic top-level domains (gTLDs)*
iii. *To provide a framework that enables compliance with applicable laws*
iv. *To help articulate a rationale for a potential RDS*
v. *To communicate purpose(s) of the RDS to registrants (and others)*
vi. *To establish sufficient relationship between the purpose(s) and the use(s) of the RDS*

Specific Purposes for Registration Data and Registration Directory Services

1. *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name.*
2. *A purpose of RDS is to provide an authoritative source of information about, for example, domain contacts[2], domain names and name servers for gTLDs, [based on approved policy].*
3. *A purpose of RDS is to identify domain contacts and facilitate communication with domain contacts associated with generic top-level domain names, [based on approved policy].*
4. *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide a record of domain name registrations.*
5. *A purpose of RDS [policy] is to promote the accuracy of gTLD registration data.*

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[1] Here, "registration data elements" refers to data about generic top-level domain names collected in the relationship between registrars to registries and in the relationship between registrars/registries and ICANN.

[2] Contacts related to the domain name, including those directly related to the domain name and also those involved in the registration system as relevant. Further specification may occur at a later stage in the [RDS PDP] process.

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2. Should "To help articulate a rationale for a potential RDS' be a goal for each RDS purpose?

( ) Agree with goal: To help articulate a rationale for a potential RDS

( ) Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

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3. Should "To communicate purpose(s) of the RDS to registrants (and others)" be a goal for each RDS purpose?

○ Agree with goal: To communicate purpose(s) of the RDS to registrants (and others)

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

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4. Should "To establish sufficient relationship between the purpose(s) and the use(s) of the RDS" be a goal for each RDS purpose?

○ Agree with goal: To establish sufficient relationship between the purpose(s) and the use(s) of the RDS

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

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5. Do you agree that a purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name?

○ Agree that a purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

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6. Do you agree that a purpose of RDS is to provide an authoritative source of information about, for example, domain contacts (see footnote 2), domain names and name servers for gTLDs, [based on approved policy]?

○ Agree that a purpose of RDS is to provide an authoritative source of information about, for example, domain contacts, domain names and name servers for gTLDs, [based on approved policy]

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

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7. Do you agree that a purpose of RDS is to identify domain contacts and facilitate communication with domain contacts associated with generic top-level domain names, [based on approved policy]?

○ Agree that a purpose of RDS is to identify domain contacts and facilitate communication with domain contacts associated with generic top-level domain names, [based on approved policy]

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

8. Do you agree that a purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide a record of domain name registrations?

○ Agree that a purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide a record of domain name registrations

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

9. Do you agree that a purpose of RDS [policy] is to promote the accuracy of gTLD registration data?

○ Agree that a purpose of RDS [policy] is to promote the accuracy of gTLD registration data

○ Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Comment Box: Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

10. The current draft Statement of Purpose includes several bracketed passages (e.g., [based on approved policy]) that were not fully agreed in past WG calls. Do you agree that all of those bracketed passages should be included as-is in the Statement of Purpose? If not, which bracketed passages do you propose changing or deleting and why?

○ Agree to inclusion of all bracketed passages as-is

○ Disagree (propose specific changes or deletions in comment box below)

Comment Box: If you Disagree, propose specific changes or deletions to bracketed passages, accompanied by supporting rationale.

11. You may share overall concerns, questions, or suggested additions to this Statement of Purpose (IF ANY) below:

Thanks for participating in this poll. Please click below to submit your responses.

By submitting a response to this poll, you are granting permission for your entire response - including WG member name and response timestamp - to be included in published poll results.

Input gathered through this poll will be used as input to further WG deliberation on this charter question.