# **RECOMMENDATIONS 16 & 18: EVALUATE POST IMPLEMENTATION POLICY IMPACT & EFFECTIVENESS**

## STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

## Part One - Which ICANN Objective does this meet

Promote role clarity and establish mechanisms to increase trust within the ecosystem rooted in the public interest. See Strategic Plan, page 23 at: https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/strategic-plan-2016-2020-10oct14-en.pdf.

Alignment with Strategic Objective	lignment with Strategic Objectives		
Goal	<ul> <li>Shared understanding by Board, staff and stakeholders of the allocation of responsibilities for design, development and implementation of policy and operational processes.</li> <li>Shared understanding of the roles, responsibilities and accountability of the Board, staff and stakeholders.</li> <li>Board, staff, and stakeholders use</li> </ul>		
Project/Recommendation	Recommendation 16: That a policy impact assessment (PIA) be included as a standard part of any policy process. Recommendation 18: That the GNSO Council evaluate post implementation policy effectiveness on an ongoing basis (rather than periodically as stated in the current GNSO Operating Procedures); and that these evaluations are analyzed by the GNSO Council to monitor and improve the drafting and scope of future PDP Charters and facilitate the effectiveness of GNSO policy outcomes over time.		

### SCOPE DESCRIPTION

#### Scope Statement

- 1. Staff to indicate when the implementation of the DMPM recommendations is expected to be completed and whether any of these actions are included:
  - a) Develop an analytical framework for assessing policy impacts.
- 2. The GNSO Review Working Group to determine what should be measured and corresponding metrics. As part of this determination:
  - b) Staff to provide recent experience to review some policies that have been implemented.
  - c) Staff to provide the DMPM strawman to assist the community in identifying metrics that can be used to test policy effectiveness.
- 3. The GNSO Review Working Group to review the PDP Manual to determine what changes, if any, need to be made to make post-implementation policy effectiveness evaluation an ongoing rather than a periodic process and to include an assessment period at the start of the implementation process.
- 4. The GNSO Review Working Group to develop guidelines for how implementation of policies should be evaluated.

Upon completion of the above steps, the GNSO Review Working Group to determine whether this recommendation has been implemented.

Out of Scope

The above scope is sufficiently clear.

Assumptions

That the recommendations will require changes to the GNSO Operating Procedures.

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	sidered or were necessary to be considered.
	oted that recommendations 16 and 18 appear to be addressed in the Final Report of the Data
	etrics for Policy-Making (DMPM) Working Group DMPM Final Report:
	gnso.icann.org/en/issues/dmpm-final-09oct15-en.pdf. On 21 October 2015 the GNSO Council a motion to approve the Data & Metrics Working Group Recommendations (non-PDP) as
	d in the Final Report at: http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/dmpm-final-09oct15-en.pdf. See the
	at https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+21+October+2015.
	of the recommendations in the Final Report resulted in revisions to the GNSO Operating
	ures, Version 3.2 published on 17 February 2016 (http://gnso.icann.org/en/council/annex-2-pdp-
	I-16feb16-en.pdf) as follows:
-	Recommendation 2 directs staff to update Annex 2 of the GNSO Operating Procedures, Policy
	Development Process Manual, Section 9, Outcomes and Processes, concerning early outreach in
	regards to audience scope and quantitative input; Commented [A1]: Delete; not related to the
<u>a.</u>	Recommendation 3 directs staff to create and publish new templates of the Issue Report, recommendations.
	Charter, and Final Report templates in Annex 1 of the GNSO Operating Procedures, Working
	Group Guidelines, Section 5, Products and Outputs; <u>Complete – work product templates were</u>
	created and deployed in the GNSO Operating Procedures, page 57 and on the GNSO Site:
	https://gnso.icann.org/en/council/procedures:
	Charter Template: contains new section to direct Drafting Team in the "Deliverables &
	Timeframes" section.
	"If the WG concludes with any recommendations, the WG must include a <b>policy impact analysis</b>
	and a set of metrics to measure the effectiveness of the policy change, including source(s) of
	baseline data for that purpose:
	Identification of policy goals
	Identification of metrics used to measure whether policy goals are achieved
	Identification of potential problems in attaining the data or developing the metrics
	A suggested timeframe in which the measures should be performed
	Define current state baselines of the policy and define initial benchmarks that define
	success or failure
	Metrics may include but not limited to (Refer to the Hints & Tips Page):
	ICANN Compliance data
	Industry metric sources
	Community input via public comment
	Surveys or studies"
b.	Recommendation 6 directs staff to update Annex 2 Policy Development Process Manual, by
	adding a new Section 4.5 2 Metrics Request Decision Tree and Form; <u>complete – feeds into a.</u>
	above;
c.	Recommendation 7 directs staff to import the Metrics Request Decision Tree found in Annex B and Metrics Request Form found in Annex C of the Final Report into Annex 1 Working Group

- 2. Staff notes that the current GNSO policy development process does not document PIA:

   https://gnso.icann.org/en/basics/consensus-policy/pdp. However, ICANN has documented the review

   process at: https://www.icann.org/policy/implementation,

   https://www.icann.org/sites/default/files/assets/how-gtld-policies-implemented-2550x1650-31jan16 

   en.png, and https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/gdd-consensus-policy-implementation 

   framework-31may15-en.pdf.
- 3. Staff reviewed the revised GNSO Operating Procedures v3.2 and the revisions detailed above appear to complete the implementation of the recommendations.
- 4. Staff hereby presents the results of the review to the Working Group.
- 5. The Working Group will determine whether the revisions constitute the implementation of the recommendations.

### **KEY DEPENDENCIES**

- 1. Approval the recommendations to be included GNSO Operating Procedures by the GNSO Council.
- 2. Publication of the revised GNSO Operating Procedures, which occurred on 17 February 2016.

#### **RISK IDENTIFICATION**

Risk was identified as lack of approval by the GNSO Council.

### **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

As the manager of the PDP GNSO Council is expected to ensure that its GNSO Operating Procedures are followed. It is not clear to staff whether a KPI applies in the implementation of these recommendations.

NECESSARY TO PROCEED Next Phase Activities/Resources

None.

Reviewers				
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GNSO Review Working Group				

Approvers				
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GNSO Review Working Group				
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## Attachments, as applicable:

None