

Michelle DeSmyter:Dear All, Welcome to the GNSO Review Working Group call on Thursday, 08 June 2017 at 12:00 UTC.

Michelle DeSmyter:Meeting agenda page:

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avri doria:Perhaps this is Off Topic, but why do we have a Staff/Board imposed process for new constituencies in NCPH but not in CPH? i have never understood this imbalance.

avri doria:thanks, i missed last week's mtg

Marika Konings:my recollection is similar, because the contracted aspect creates an automatic qualifying criteria it was deemed not necessary to create a process (either you have a contract and you can join through a set membership process, or you don't)

avri doria:this relates to membership in the SGs, but not to the creation of constituencies.

Marika Konings:correct, but I believe linked to that on the contracted party side the view was that there was no need for constituencies as everyone is a contracted party (registry or registrar). But to get the real insight into this, we may need to dig into history and ask those directly involved in that decision.

avri doria:they call it an interest group instead of a constituency. but the NCPH is not allowed to have interest groups instead of constituencies.

Marika Konings:I think the interest group concept was created to address the interest of those wanting to participate but not yet qualifying as contracted parties as they had not signed a contract with ICANN yet. I don't know if that concept still exists, even though there are groups that are organised in a certain way such as the Geo Names and BRG. It might be interesting to see whether there is further discussion in those groups around this as, for example, in the near future there will potentially be a new group of contracted parties (P/P providers) and in the past, there has also been mention of escrow providers as a specific group of contracted parties.

avri doria:i was deeply involved in the particular set of events.

Amr Elsadri: Apart from a constituency application that was outright rejected, there was also an applicant that made it through to the candidate constituency phase in the NCSG for a few years, but it didn't make it to full constituency status.

Lori Schulman:Amr: who was the applicant that "partially" made it

Amr Elsadr:The Consumer Constituency.

avri doria:yes, i was part of the effort to start the consumer constituency in NCSG, but it never got sufficient participant support within the candidate constituency to meet the requirements of both the ICANN process & the NCSG requirements for active participation.

Lori Schulman:Diversity is a good point and objective

Amr Elsadr:The CCAOI application did not meet the diversity criteria in more than one way, which is one of the reasons the application was rejected.

avri doria:a presumption of acceptance would be hard for everyone, but even harder for CSG as that would change the number of seats each of the existing constituencies could hold. Since council seats in the NCSG are based on a ASG wide selection process, its model can support a multitude of constituencies if they met the conditions without any change to council seating except thorough elections at the SG level.

avri doria:not advertising just explaining.

Lori Schulman:Would it be possible to send criteria for forming a constituency too.

Sara Bockey:thanks all

Lori Schulman:Can we get a link to the criteria?

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Rafik:do we have meeting in jburg?

Lori Schulman:thanks

Amr Elsadr:Thanks all. Bye.

Lori Schulman:one less meeting conflict yay!

Lori Schulman:ciao