

Council Decisions

Consent Agenda

Confirmation of James Bladel as the GNSO Representative to the Empowered Community Administration

James Bladel will serve as the GNSO representative to the Empowered Community Administration until the end of his term at ICANN 61.

COUNCIL VOTE – Proposed Fundamental Bylaw Changes

Council voted to approve the proposed changes to the Fundamental Bylaws.

PLACEHOLDER COUNCIL VOTE – Petition for a Rejection Action of the FY18 Operating Plan and Budget

No petition was put forward for Council consideration

COUNCIL VOTE – Approval of GNSO Council Review of the GAC Communiqué from Johannesburg

Discussion centred on the geographic names issue and the GNSO stance on including this matter under the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP WG Work Track 5. The motion was deferred so Councilors can review the response and provide edits to the resolution.

COUNCIL Vote – Next steps in relation to Charter for the Cross Community Working Group on Internet Governance (CCWG IG)

Keith Drazek, seconded by **James Bladel**, submitted a [motion](#) with the aim of creating a structure and a process for allowing the GNSO as a chartering organization to work with the other chartering organizations to find an appropriate successor structure for the CCWG IG.

After discussion the matter was deferred to give time for amendments to the motion that reflect an appreciation of the work done by this CCWG.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Possible Change to the Name of the GNSO

In the interest of time, this agenda item was postponed until the next GNSO Council meeting.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Cross Community Working Group on the Use of Country and Territory Names (CCWG UCTN)

Council will consider drafting a motion before ICANN 60 to deal with the issues raised from the CCWG, and the ccNSO liaison was asked to solicit input from the ccNSO Council on the matter.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – PLANNING FOR ICANN60

Councilors will receive the draft GNSO Schedule for input, once it has been reviewed by GNSO Council leadership. They were also reminded of the deadline of the 21 July 2017 for submission of topics for the Cross-Community discussions of ICANN60.

Item 11: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP WG co-chairs provided an update to the Council regarding the next steps of the WG for collaborating with the community to address geographic names at the top-level. Avri Doria and Jeff Neuman will send invitation letters out to the Chairs of the GNSO, the ccNSO, At-Large and the GAC to nominate one community member to serve as co-chair on Work Track 5 with the aim of starting the work in early September 2017. It was then clarified that the co-chair would not need to be a current member of the PDP WG. In the GNSO's case, this appointment would therefore be of the remit of the GNSO Selection Standing Committee (SSC).

The next GNSO Council Meeting will take place on 24 August 2017 at 12:00 UTC