

Attendance - 29 Members

Adrian Carballo	Justine Chew
Alexander Schubert	Katrin Ohlmer
Annebeth Lange	Kavouss Arasteh
Barrack Ongondo Otieno	Kerim Begliyev
Cheryl Langdon-Orr	Liz Williams
Christopher Wilkerson	Martin Sutton
David McAuley	Maureen Hilyard
Erich Schweighofer	Nick Wenban-Smith
Gnanajeyaraman Rajaram	Olga Cavalli
Greg Shatan	Rahul Gosain
Heather Forrest	Ricardo Holmquist
Javier Rúa-Jovet	Robin Gross
Jorge Cancio	Yrjö Länsipuro

Audio Only: Bram Fudzulani, John Rodriguez, Salanieta Tamanikaiwaimaro

Apologies: Luca Barbero, Jim Prendergast, Carlos Raúl Gutiérrez, Ann-Cathrin Marcussen

Staff: Julie Hedlund, Michelle Desmyter, Steve Chan, Julie Bisland

WebEx Chat:

May 22, 2018	11:41:55 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	hello
May 22, 2018	11:42:15 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	hi can I check my audio?
May 22, 2018	11:46:24 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	Hi Rhaul Hi Barrack!!
May 22, 2018	11:47:07 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	Hi Adrian
May 22, 2018	11:47:28 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	Hi all please remember to mute your mics!!! :) thanks
May 22, 2018	11:48:02 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	Barrack can you mute your mic?
May 22, 2018	11:48:04 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	or Raul?
May 22, 2018	11:48:07 PM	from Barrack Otieno to all participants:	Goodmorning Olga, hello everyone
May 22, 2018	11:48:20 PM	from Olga Cavalli to all participants:	Hi Barrack is it you who types?
May 22, 2018	11:48:25 PM	from Barrack Otieno to all participants:	My apologies still trying to figure out how to mute my Mic

May 22, 2018 11:49:00 PM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: Good Morning everyone\

May 22, 2018 11:49:02 PM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: Just clicc onth emic

May 22, 2018 11:49:32 PM from Barrack Otieno to all participants: Got it, apologies for the noise

May 22, 2018 11:49:38 PM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: Rahul hi please mute your mic :)

May 22, 2018 11:49:46 PM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: Thanks

May 22, 2018 11:49:54 PM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: I think I have managed to successfully mute my mic now!

May 22, 2018 11:49:56 PM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: Hi Kavouss

May 22, 2018 11:50:07 PM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: hi who is there?

May 22, 2018 11:52:55 PM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: Yes we all can hear you Olga! A very Good Morning to you!

May 22, 2018 11:56:43 PM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Hey!

May 22, 2018 11:56:50 PM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: Julie, when you have been called up from webex, do you have to mute with #6# in addition to making the microphone red on the screen?

May 22, 2018 11:58:39 PM from Terri Agnew to all participants: Control-M also mutes your webex audio

May 22, 2018 11:59:05 PM from Nick Wenban-Smith to all participants: good morning everyone

May 22, 2018 11:59:05 PM from Terri Agnew to all participants: you can click on PARTICIPANT then Mute as well

May 23, 2018 12:02:23 AM from Martin Sutton to all participants: Hi all, sorry for any bacground noise, I will use mute to avoid inteference

May 23, 2018 12:03:35 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: Hi hosts

May 23, 2018 12:03:50 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: Hi Everybody

May 23, 2018 12:04:02 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: Hi Olga

May 23, 2018 12:04:38 AM from Steve Chan to all participants: Hi Alexander, you're sending only to Panelists rather than All Participants

May 23, 2018	12:06:50 AM	from David McAuley to all participants:	yes
May 23, 2018	12:06:50 AM	from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants:	yes
May 23, 2018	12:06:51 AM	from GNANAJEYARAMAN RAJARAM to all participants:	yes
May 23, 2018	12:07:16 AM	from Annebeth Lange to all participants: and the hands, Olga	I will help with the chat
May 23, 2018	12:07:24 AM	from Heather Forrest to all participants: minutes late	Apologies for joining 5
May 23, 2018	12:08:28 AM	from kavouss arasteh to all participants: that compilation pls?	wHERE CAN i found
May 23, 2018	12:08:58 AM	from Annebeth Lange to all participants: out after the meeting, when all co-leads have gone through it	#Kavouss, it will be sent
May 23, 2018	12:09:07 AM	from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: has not been shared yet. It will be shared soon.	Kavouss, compilation
May 23, 2018	12:09:09 AM	from kavouss arasteh to all participants: approach is a good one	The compilation
May 23, 2018	12:09:37 AM	from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants:	Agreed Kavouss
May 23, 2018	12:10:44 AM	from David McAuley to all participants: sounhds like a good approach	agree with Kavouss,
May 23, 2018	12:10:49 AM	from kavouss arasteh to all participants: should be a living process that we do it for every week and then amend it and so on	I believe that process
May 23, 2018	12:11:08 AM	from Barrack Otieno to all participants:	I cant hear anything
May 23, 2018	12:11:27 AM	from Steve Chan to all participants: document will be a living document, so as deliberations continue, the document will continue to evolve...as Kavouss just noted.	Note, the compilation
May 23, 2018	12:11:34 AM	from Barrack Otieno to all participants:	woking now
May 23, 2018	12:12:11 AM	from Terri Agnew to all participants: drop your audio and reconnect it	@Barrack, you may want to
May 23, 2018	12:12:15 AM	from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants:	Thanks Steve
May 23, 2018	12:13:37 AM	from kavouss arasteh to all participants: assists the people and should have sufficient knowledge and backgroud which enable it to provide correct and valid advice	Advisory panel is just to

May 23, 2018 12:14:05 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Thank you for comment, Kavouss

May 23, 2018 12:14:06 AM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: Kavouss, this idea will be taken into the compilation document

May 23, 2018 12:14:47 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Olga: the possible Advisory Board would help applicants at a very early stage to determine if their intended string has a geographic meaning, even if it is not within the specific categories established in the AGB... this would raise predictability and avoid conflicts popping up further down the road...

May 23, 2018 12:14:48 AM from Justine Chew to all participants: Though we have had some resistance to creation of lists.

May 23, 2018 12:14:49 AM from Liz Williams to all participants: @Olga...Greg Shatan has just sent to the email list an explanation about "intended use" which would address some of your comments.

May 23, 2018 12:15:10 AM from Olga Cavalli to all participants: @liz many thanks will review it

May 23, 2018 12:15:16 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: BTW: Thanks Martin for getting these flowcharts together!

May 23, 2018 12:16:44 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Martin/staff: it is important that in the mapping we also see which SO/AC and or smaller constituting parts are espousing specific views...

May 23, 2018 12:17:33 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Before we get to the idea of an Advisory Panel, we need to determine when the existence of a geographic term is relevant at all. The Advisory Panel can't just sit with a huge Atlas at hand and say that every name in the index is relevant.

May 23, 2018 12:18:03 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: What category are those certain geographic names that.....

May 23, 2018 12:18:23 AM from Liz Williams to all participants: And Advisory Panels would have significant issues around legitimacy, independence, cost and any place in the objective evaluation process.

May 23, 2018 12:19:09 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Sorry Kavouss, your comment seems to be missing something?

May 23, 2018 12:19:43 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Greg, Liz, your comments regarding "advisory panel" are noted.

May 23, 2018 12:19:46 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Question: what does "always" refer to in this slide? Just the 2012 AGB?

May 23, 2018 12:19:47 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: I HAVE NOTED THE LIST OF THOSE CERTAIN CATEGORY but THEY ARE SOME AS THERE MAY BE OTHERS

May 23, 2018 12:20:04 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: Sorry for cap ,appology

May 23, 2018 12:20:34 AM from Steve Chan to all participants: @Greg, all of these slides are in relation to the 2012 process, from the AGB

May 23, 2018 12:20:53 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Good point, Greg. I think the "always" might be a bit overbroad. In my view it simply refers to the current policy & AGB.

May 23, 2018 12:21:22 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Steve, thanks. "Always" seem like a dramatic overstatement.

May 23, 2018 12:21:25 AM from kavouss arasteh to all participants: Is that is provide a complete picture

May 23, 2018 12:21:44 AM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: @Greg, since AGB 2012 is the starting point, and what we do here is to improve it, if possible

May 23, 2018 12:21:56 AM from Steve Chan to all participants: I can jump in if needed

May 23, 2018 12:24:04 AM from Kerim Begliyev to all participants: i am sorry who is speaking

May 23, 2018 12:24:09 AM from Heather Forrest to all participants: On what basis are we requiring government support or non-objection - if 'public interest', how do we define this explicitly so applicants understand why they are required to provide this information?

May 23, 2018 12:24:14 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: @Annebeth, understood, which is why saying always and then emphasizing it seems overblown.

May 23, 2018 12:24:32 AM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: @ Greg, agreed

May 23, 2018 12:24:49 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: Policy has to pursue the global public interest, through a multistakeholder process, considering the interests of all parties involved, and also of the communities most affected...

May 23, 2018 12:24:54 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Greg, point taken. This language shall be corrected.

May 23, 2018 12:28:04 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: I object to the framing of open vs. closed or between market and restriction. The issue at stake is to have all interests involved in early stages of the process. As said many times, the non-objection letter allows for many outcomes that are a positive-sum outcome for all (applicants and public authorities). The success of the overwhelming majority of geoTLDs shows this is a good framework...

May 23, 2018 12:28:59 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: .Tata is a situation that should not be replicated in the next round. This was clearly overprotection.

May 23, 2018 12:31:22 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Greg: do we know what happened exactly in ".tata"?

May 23, 2018 12:31:31 AM from Cheryl Langdon-Orr to all participants: a Snapshot of the process of 2012, exactly Steve

May 23, 2018 12:33:05 AM from Justine Chew to all participants: Yes, understood with thanks, @Steve

May 23, 2018 12:33:09 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: The non-objection process in 2012 needs to be examined much more carefully before we declare it a success — or a failure.

May 23, 2018 12:33:42 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: The language in the slides is indeed somewhat misleading.

May 23, 2018 12:33:44 AM from Nick Wenban-Smith to all participants: thanks for those reminders Steve

May 23, 2018 12:34:16 AM from Steve Chan to all participants: @Katrin, if the slides are factually wrong, please do let us know.

May 23, 2018 12:34:57 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: Thanks Steve, will do after the call.

May 23, 2018 12:35:23 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Jorge, the short version is that TATA applied for a .brand gTLD and Tata is on the 3166-2 list as a place of Morocco.

May 23, 2018 12:35:57 AM from Cheryl Langdon-Orr to all participants: We need feedback on *if* this flow shows the process as it was in 2012 or has something been missed.

May 23, 2018 12:36:05 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: yes

May 23, 2018 12:36:08 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Greg: that states the starting situation. The question is why there was no agreement...

May 23, 2018 12:36:29 AM from Barrack Otieno to all participants: It is worth noting that most countries in Africa barely understand the reserved name process. In addition the countries barely have addressing systems and are always caught on the backfoot,

May 23, 2018 12:36:48 AM from Cheryl Langdon-Orr to all participants: As Greg stated earlier in chat we then once we all know what the baseline from 2012 is, still need to go through considerable review and discussion

May 23, 2018 12:37:07 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: thx CLO

May 23, 2018 12:37:28 AM from Barrack Otieno to all participants: We need a balanced process that will ensure the local communities are protected while they can also benefit from the growing domain name industry

May 23, 2018 12:37:31 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: The article circulated by Liz today and the data we have at hand until now shows a high level of success...

May 23, 2018 12:38:10 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Thank for comment, @Barrack. Noted.

May 23, 2018 12:39:10 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: @Jorge, there never should have been a need for an agreement. This is a classic example of overprotection.

May 23, 2018 12:39:43 AM from David McAuley to all participants: hard to hear Liz

May 23, 2018 12:39:46 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: <https://www.icann.org/get-started>

May 23, 2018 12:39:58 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: CANN is a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation with participants from all over the world dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable.

May 23, 2018 12:40:11 AM from Barrack Otieno to all participants: I appreciate Alexanders submission on the list using the analogy of land

May 23, 2018 12:40:17 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Greg: that is clearly an opinion. In the case of Swiss subnational regions I'm sure that requirement is needed and meaningful

May 23, 2018 12:40:59 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: That is clearly an opinion as well.

May 23, 2018 12:41:19 AM from Heather Forrest to all participants: To Liz's comment: I have concerns with the term "protections" - we use the term already in gTLD policy in the context of RPMs "Rights Protection Mechanisms", where we recognise the legal right recognised by trademark

May 23, 2018 12:41:43 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: Without knowing what the reasons were for the lack of agreement in the .tata case everything is speculation...

May 23, 2018 12:42:39 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: I'm sure the facts can be determined with a reasonable inquiry.

May 23, 2018 12:42:47 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: Comment to Liz: we are talking about a "requirement", which is open to every applicant interested, be it brands, communities, businesses etc.

May 23, 2018 12:43:50 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: What "requirement" are you referring to?

May 23, 2018 12:43:55 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Liz what generic terms were affected by the geonames requirements in the 2012 round?

May 23, 2018 12:44:08 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: There is a difference between "prevention" (leading to "rejection") and leaving it to the city's representatives which application they PREFER! And yes: In order to not expose "brands" and "generic term based strings" to unreasonable "exposure" to potential "extortion" we should limit the protection to sizeable and "important" geo entities. Currently it is "cities" - without even having defined what a "city" is.

May 23, 2018 12:44:12 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Greg: the non-objection letter

May 23, 2018 12:44:25 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: We should amend the headline to reflect the AGB2012 properly - e.g. Categories of Geographic Names Requiring Government Support instead of making a judgement like "Preventative Protections"

May 23, 2018 12:44:58 AM from Kerim Begliyev to all participants: I would like to ask question regarding the possible Geographic Names that are not listed in ISO 3166-2

May 23, 2018 12:45:18 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Thank you @Katrin, noted.

May 23, 2018 12:45:25 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: +1 Katrin (more precisely: "requiring Public authorities' "non objection")

May 23, 2018 12:46:04 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: I would like to suggest that 3166-2 was far too broad and numerous to be used in this manner.

May 23, 2018 12:46:15 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: +1 Katrin

May 23, 2018 12:46:45 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: And I also agree with Greg: Doesn't make ANY sense to prtect ALL of ISO 3166 Alpha 2&3

May 23, 2018 12:47:42 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: "Preventive" and "curative" are general analytic terms used to describe when the action is taken.

May 23, 2018 12:48:37 AM from Nick Wenban-Smith to all participants: in terms of progress, for the capital cities at least do we agree with the non-objection process?

May 23, 2018 12:49:29 AM from Steve Chan to all participants: @Kerim, would you like to speak? Or would you like to ask your question in chat perhaps?

May 23, 2018 12:49:36 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: @kerim do wish to get in queue?

May 23, 2018 12:49:48 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: (excuse typo)

May 23, 2018 12:49:58 AM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: +1 Jorge's comment, "I object to the framing of open vs. closed or between market and restriction. The issue at stake is to have all interests involved in early stages of the process. As said many times, the non-objection letter allows for many outcomes that are a positive-sum outcome for all (applicants and public authorities). The success of the overwhelming majority of geoTLDs shows this is a good framework..."

May 23, 2018 12:51:10 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Nick, in terms of progress it would be helpful to find agreement on situations where the non-objection process does NOT apply.

May 23, 2018 12:51:31 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: @Kerim, or if you wish to ask your question in chat, please do so.

May 23, 2018 12:53:00 AM from Kerim Begliyev to all participants: I think i better ask in chat, We would like to delegate TLD in our own language but due to the fact there is combination of lation and non latin letters in our state language, we can not apply for this TLD under IDN ccTLD Fast track process program

May 23, 2018 12:53:02 AM from Terri Agnew to all participants: Christopher: it does not appear you have audio connected. Click COMMUNICATE in the upper left side and then Audio Connection

May 23, 2018 12:53:31 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: btw: will we move back to adobe soon?

May 23, 2018 12:53:48 AM from David McAuley to all participants: I hope so @Jorge

May 23, 2018 12:53:50 AM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: Sounds like good news

May 23, 2018 12:54:00 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants: I have audio on one computer biut no mike; I have Webex screen on another computer, but no sound and no mike.

May 23, 2018 12:54:28 AM from Terri Agnew to all participants: @Christopher: try speaking now

May 23, 2018 12:54:40 AM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: @Liz, I agree with that, but it will be easier to discuss when all have seen the compilation of comments that have come through all these months.

May 23, 2018 12:54:53 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants: 1. All geo names are potentially protectable. Granularity and exceptions will have to be negotiated with governments.

May 23, 2018 12:54:57 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: Sorry for the webex challenges Christopher. Hope AC will be back soon!

May 23, 2018 12:54:59 AM from David McAuley to all participants: +1 @ Annebeth

May 23, 2018 12:55:16 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Nick: discussion really only started with city names - where we have no clear lists and where there was the "intended use" distinction

May 23, 2018 12:55:30 AM from Cheryl Langdon-Orr to all participants: Time check 5 mins left in the call

May 23, 2018 12:55:41 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants:
2. What are the existing brands/TMs which coincide with geo-names? There are many, but not in relation to the totality of geo-names.

May 23, 2018 12:57:01 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Liz apologies if I missed your response, but are there generic names that coincided with geonames in the 2012 round?

May 23, 2018 12:57:16 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants:
Existing TMS will have to be grandfathered through negotiation with the owners of those geo-names. In view of recent Internet experience, any sensible entrepreneur would not choose a geo-name for a new brand or TM.

May 23, 2018 12:57:18 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: @Christopher - exactly!

May 23, 2018 12:58:04 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Christopher, that is wishful thinking.

May 23, 2018 12:58:06 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: @Martin: could you mention cases of generic names used as geonames in the 2012 round? do you mean ".spa"?

May 23, 2018 12:58:30 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Jorge, spa is one.

May 23, 2018 12:58:32 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants:
3. My only substantive comment on the 2012 slides (which is not a repeatable procedure) is to delete the loophole for non-geo use.

May 23, 2018 12:58:36 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: @Greg: Why?

May 23, 2018 1:00:00 AM from Martin Sutton to all participants: My apologies again for background interference - I am away on business.

May 23, 2018 1:00:02 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: If there are individual cases of generic names and geonames coinciding that is a possible reason for addressing those specific cases, not for undoing the general non-objection framework

May 23, 2018 1:00:02 AM from Christopher Wilkinson on (reconnecting) to all participants:
Greg, because all those names that are still in the public domain should remain so, Unique monopolisation of a geo-name without public interest for the community concerned would be wrong.

May 23, 2018 1:00:02 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: Because geosupremacy is indefensible. And brands will continue to overlap with geoterms. Thanks

May 23, 2018 1:00:09 AM from Javier Rua Jovet to all participants: All: We will look at this very active chat today and reflect it in compilation that will be shared soon.

May 23, 2018 1:00:12 AM from Terri Agnew to all participants: Next call: Wednesday, 30 May 2018 at 14:00 UTC for 60 minutes

May 23, 2018 1:00:17 AM from David McAuley to all participants: Thanks all

May 23, 2018 1:00:22 AM from Annebeth Lange to all participants: Bye all

May 23, 2018 1:00:24 AM from Martin Sutton to all participants: Thbak you all for participating.

May 23, 2018 1:00:28 AM from Cheryl Langdon-Orr to all participants: Thanks everyone Bye for now

May 23, 2018 1:00:29 AM from Alexander Schubert to all participants: Bye

May 23, 2018 1:00:31 AM from Greg Shatan to all participants: You are suggesting geomonopolization.

May 23, 2018 1:00:33 AM from Katrin Ohlmer to all participants: thanks all!

May 23, 2018 1:00:33 AM from Barrack Otieno to all participants: Thank you bye

May 23, 2018 1:00:34 AM from Maureen Hilyard to all participants: Thanks all

May 23, 2018 1:00:34 AM from Nick Wenban-Smith to all participants: bye

May 23, 2018 1:00:34 AM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: Thanks everyone

May 23, 2018 1:00:36 AM from Heather Forrest to all participants: Thanks everyone

May 23, 2018 1:00:38 AM from Rahul Gosain to all participants: Bye

May 23, 2018 1:00:41 AM from Jorge Cancio to all participants: thx and bye all!

May 23, 2018 1:00:48 AM from Kerim Begliyev to all participants: Thank you

May 23, 2018 1:00:53 AM from GNANAJEYARAMAN RAJARAM to all participants: thank you