Introduction to the ccNSO & Current Focus Points

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**What is the ccNSO?**

**country code Name Supporting Organisation**

The ccNSO may also engage in other activities authorized by its members.

**Bylaw definition, Article 10**

ICANN Policy Development body, which shall be responsible for:

- Developing and recommending to the Board global policies relating to country-code top-level domains;
- Nurturing consensus across the ccNSO community, including the name-related activities of ccTLDs;
- Coordinating with other ICANN Supporting Organizations, committees, and constituencies under ICANN.
ccTLD

country code Top Level Domain
What is a ccTLD?

- 2-letter top level domains:
  .uk (United Kingdom), .ke (Kenia)
- country, territory, or other geographic location (in ISO 3166-1)
“One Size Does Not Fit All”

Diversity among ccTLDs, in terms of:

- business and governance models
- administration
- registration policies
Policy-related work
  • IDN ccTLD related work
  • Use of country and territory names as TLDs
  • Emoji Study Group

Platform function: exchange of information, networking, sharing best practices
  • ccNSO members meeting days
  • Tech Day
  • TLD Operational Security work (TLD-OPS workshops)

Represent ccTLD community interests in ICANN ecosystem
  • Interaction with ICANN Board and SOs & ACs
  • Strategic and Operation Planning Committee (SOPC)
  • ccTLD voluntary financial contributions to ICANN
Why is the ccNSO important? (1/2)

• Provides structure for ccTLDs in ICANN ecosystem

• Approx. 250 different country codes
  o Every country/territory at least 1 country code
  o country code assigned by ISO 3166 Maintenance Agency
  o IANA/ICANN is NOT in the business to determine what is a country

• 61 IDN ccTLDs for 41 countries & territories
Why is the ccNSO important? (2/2)

End of Q1 2019:
(source: Verisign DNIB, Q1 2019)

**Total domain name registrations (ccTLDs & gTLDs):**
- approx. 351.8 million

**ccTLDs registrations:**
- approx. 156.8 million

**Top 10 largest TLDs by number of reported domains:**
- contains 7 ccTLDs (*)

(*) com, cn, tk, de, net, uk, org, tw, nl, ru
Current ccNSO Membership (as of 18 September 2019)

North America: 5
Latin America/Caribbean islands: 26
Africa: 38
Europe: 46
Asia/Australia/Pacific: 55

Total number of ccNSO members: 170
• Membership in the ccNSO is open to all ccTLD managers responsible for managing an ISO 3166-1 country code Top-Level Domain.

• ccTLD managers who have agreed in writing to be members of the ccNSO
IDN ccTLDs – not yet eligible to be ccNSO Members

ccTLDs: 61 for 42*

* Successfully evaluated IDN ccTLDs for total countries and territories
The Role of ccNSO Members

- Volunteers, participate in activities of the ccNSO and other groups
- Elect Councillors (Bylaws)
- Nominate Candidates Board members seat 11 and 12 (voluntary arrangement)
- Final vote on the ccNSO PDP (Bylaws)
- 10% members may call for a vote on all Council decisions
Contributions by ccTLDs: via Working Groups

- Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)
- Meetings Programme Committee (MPC)
- ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC)
- CCWG new gTLD Auction Proceeds (CCWG AP)
- TLD-OPS Standing Committee (TLD-OPS)
- Technical Working Group
- Guidelines Review Committee (GRC)
- Policy Development (PDP) Retirement WG
- IDN policy WG (new – post ICANN66)
Membership to the ccNSO Working Groups is typically open to staff members from all ccTLD managers, whether members of the ccNSO or not.

Learn more about the ccNSO Working Groups:

- Consult the terms of references and other relevant documents on http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups
- WikiSpace of the working groups: consult the introductory factsheet
- Attend the ccNSO PDP retirement onboarding session at ICANN66. Tuesday, 5 November 2019 | 13:30-14:15 local, in the GAC room.
ccNSO Council

The ccNSO Council is responsible for managing the policy development process of the ccNSO.

However, the role of the Council evolved:

• Manages ccNSO affairs
• Represents the ccNSO
• Selects ICANN Board members (Bylaws: after suggestion of members)
• Appoints ccNSO Chair and Vice-Chairs
ccNSO Council

18 council members

ccNSO Council Leadership team:
Annually elected at ICANN Community Forum

Chair: Katrina Sataki (.lv)

Vice Chairs:
Byron Holland (.ca), Alejandra Reynoso (.gt)

3 Africa
3 Latin America Caribbean islands
3 Asia / Australia / Pacific
3 North America
3 Europe
3 NomCom appointed
ccNSO Council
In March 2020, at the conclusion of ICANN67 in Cancun, the 3-year term of the following ccNSO Councillors ends:

- Souleymane Oumtanaga (Africa)
- Hiro Hotta (Asia-Pacific)
- Giovanni Seppia (Europe)
- Alejandra Reynoso (Latin America/Caribbean)
- Stephen Deerhake (North America)

**NEXT STEPS:**

- Q&A session with the candidates at ICANN66 in Montreal
- Elections, if any, starting in November 2019

**START NOMINATIONS**

Wed, 24 Sep 2019 (00:01 UTC)

**END**

Wed, 15 Oct 2019 (23:59 UTC)
The term of Chris Disspain (ICANN Board Seat 11) will expire at the ICANN69 AGM 2020.

Nominations and secondments

START
Tue, 11 Sept. 2019
(00:01 UTC)

END
Tue, 2 Oct. 2019
(23:59 UTC)

NEXT STEPS:
- Q&A session with the candidates at ICANN66 in Montreal
- Due diligence verifications
- Elections starting in January 2020

Look out for the ccNSO website and ccNSO members mailing list for more details!
ccNSO Policy Development

SCOPE | Defined in Annex C - ICANN Bylaws
- Limited scope for Policy Development
- Out of scope: all policies relating to registration of ccTLD domain names (local ccTLD policies)
- Policy applies to ccTLDs by virtue of membership, however major exceptions (applicable law and breach local custom, religion or public policy)

PROCESS | Defined in Annex B - ICANN Bylaws
- Heavy handed process
- Members vote, after Council vote
- Structural engagement GAC

CURRENTLY
- One ccPDP completed
- One IDN ccTLD overall policy awaiting Board vote
- One ccPDP under way. part 1: on retirement of ccTLDs; part 2: independent review mechanism decision relating to delegation, revocation, transfer and retirement of ccTLDs
References

• Policy development Process defined in Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws
  https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/governance/bylaws-en/#annexB

• Scope of the ccNSO PDP is defined in Annex C of the ICANN Bylaws
  https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/governance/bylaws-en/#annexC

• Infographics: Multistakeholder PDP

• ccNSO Policy Development Process
Key Topics under discussion

- PDP on Retirement of ccTLDs and review mechanism decisions
- ccNSO as Decisional Participant
- Implementation SO/AC accountability
- IDN ccTLD overall policy review
- Emoji’s
- ccNSO organizational review
- Participation in Work Track 5 PDP
- Subsequent procedures
- CCWG Auction Proceeds
- ICANN Strategic and operational Planning processes
The ccNSO at ICANN66

Saturday, 2 November
Working Group & Committee meetings

Sunday, 3 November
Working Group & Committee meetings
ccNSO Council workshop
ccNSO Council prep meeting
SOPC workshop
TLD-OPS workshop [closed]
ccNSO & ALAC

Monday, 4 November
Tech Day
ccNSO & GNSO Councils

Tuesday, 5 November
ccNSO Members Meeting, day 1
ccNSO & ICANN Board

Wednesday, 6 November
ccNSO Members Meeting, day 2
ccNSO Council meeting

Thursday, 7 November:
Working Group & Committee meetings

https://ccnso.icann.org/en/meetings/montreal66
ICANN66 links to bookmark now

- **ccNSO Remote Participation Hub**:  
  ○ you will find here an overview of all relevant ccNSO sessions, and how to participate remotely. More information becomes available after 14 October

- **ccNSO Members Meeting agenda**:  
  ○ including session summaries

- **ICANN66 meeting website**:  
  ○ Contains a.o. the venue map. Please make sure to register for the meeting.

- **Comprehensive ICANN66 meeting schedule**  
  ○ [available 14 October 2019]
ICANN prep week

Monday, 14 October 2019
16:00 UTC | Global Stakeholder Engagement (GSE) Update: What to Expect at ICANN66

Tuesday, 15 October 2019
16:00 UTC | ICANN66 Plenary Session: DNS Abuse
23:00 UTC | Pre-ICANN66 Contractual Compliance Update

Wednesday, 16 October 2019
16:00 UTC | ICANN66 Plenary Session: Evolution of ICANN's Multistakeholder Model
23:00 UTC | Multistakeholder Strategy and Strategic Initiatives (MSSI) Update

Thursday, 17 October 2019
12:00 UTC | Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Policy Update
16:00 UTC | Pre-ICANN66 Policy Update

English. Materials from Pre-ICANN66 Policy Update available in French.
Recordings: https://meetings.icann.org/en/montreal66-prep-week
Register here: http://input.icann.org/app/survey/response.jsp
Learn more

https://community.icann.org/display/ccnsowkspc/Newcomers

- Consult the “Quick guide to the ccNSO”, to learn more about the work of the ccNSO, and how it is organized

- Enroll in the ICANN learn course

Subscribe to the monthly ccNSO Newsletter:
https://community.icann.org/display/ccnsowkspc/ccNSO+Newsletter
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Thank you!

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