Get to know the ccNSO

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ICANN | ccNSO
Country Code Names Supporting Organization
Introduction to the ccNSO
What does ccNSO stand for?

- **ccNSO**: Country Code Names Supporting Organization (within ICANN)
  - Created for and by ccTLD managers
- **ccTLD manager**: organization or entity responsible for managing a ccTLD
- **ccTLD**: country code top-level domain
Why are ccTLDs important?

38 % 62 %

138 million ccTLDs 222 million gTLDs

7 of the top 10 largest TLDs are ccTLDs: .com, .cn, .de, .net, .org, .uk, .nl, .ru, .br, and .au
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<th>Purpose and Goal</th>
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<td><strong>Undertake policy, and policy-related work</strong></td>
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<td>Evolve the global policies that serve ccTLDs in the ICANN environment, consistent with ccNSO values and the needs of ccTLDs.</td>
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<td><strong>Cooperate and learn</strong></td>
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<td>Support the growth and development of ccTLDs around the world through the exchange of information and ideas and building strong relationships.</td>
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<td><strong>Engage with other stakeholders</strong></td>
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<td>Contribute to ICANN’s broader work on its core mission and responsibilities, to advance ccTLD perspectives and interests.</td>
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What makes ccTLDs different?

- Region
- Governance Model
- Registry Model
- Number of Domains
- Number of Employees
Quiz

Below is a list of top-level domains. Which one is NOT a ccTLD?

1) .me
2) .com
3) .us
Quiz

The ccNSO Expired Domains Deletion Policy applies to all ccTLDs.

1) True
2) False
Composition of the ccNSO
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**ccNSO Members**: ccTLD managers that have agreed in writing to be so.

**ccNSO Council**: administers and coordinates the affairs of the ccNSO.
177 ccNSO members (May 2024)

- Europe: 47
- Asia/Australia/Pacific: 56
- Africa: 39
- Latin America/Caribbean islands: 29
- North America: 6
Benefits for ccNSO Members

- Selecting:
  - ccNSO Councilors
  - Members of the ICANN Board
- Voting on the global policies within the scope of the ccNSO
- Make your voice heard in the ICANN community
- Share experiences and information
What does the ccNSO Council do?

- Administers and coordinates the affairs of the ccNSO.
- Manages the development of policy recommendations.
- The Councilors are actively involved in:
  - Setting the course of the ccNSO
  - Leading and participating in various ccNSO working groups
  - Engaging the community in topical issues
  - Developing positions based on community input
Who sits on the Council?

- **AFRICA**
  - Elected by ccNSO members from the region

- **ASIA/AU/PACIFIC**
  - Elected by ccNSO members from the region

- **NORTH AMERICA**
  - Elected by ccNSO members from the region

- **EUROPE**
  - Elected by ccNSO members from the region

- **LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN**
  - Elected by ccNSO members from the region

- **NOMCOM**
  - Appointed

- **GNSO liaison**
- **ALAC liaison**
- **Regional Organizations Observers**
Quiz

Which of the statements below is correct?

1) A ccTLD manager is the CEO of a ccTLD registry.
2) A ccTLD manager is an organization or entity responsible for managing a ccTLD and is listed as such in the IANA Root Zone Database.
How does the ccNSO fit in the ICANN structure?

Board Seat 11: Patricio Poblete, .cl
Board Seat 12: Katrina Sataki, .lv
The ccNSO Council has 18 councilors, all of them appointed by ccNSO members.

1) True
2) False
Participate in the work of the ccNSO
Who can be …

... **ccNSO Member?**
Any entity responsible for managing a country-code top-level domain, who has agreed in writing to be a ccNSO member

... **ccNSO Volunteer?**
Any ccTLD representative

... **ccNSO Councillor?**
Anyone who has been:
- nominated by a ccNSO member
- seconded by a ccNSO member (same region)
- elected by ccNSO members (from that region)
ccTLDs contributing to the work of the ccNSO

- Attend sessions
- Vote (members only)
- Answer surveys
- Give a presentation
- Use the ccNSO mailing lists
- Join a ccNSO Working Group or Committee
- Join the TLD-OPS mailing list
- Apply for a position on the ccNSO Council
Can I join a ccNSO Working Group or Committee?

- Membership is open to all those associated with a ccTLD manager
  - Whether the ccTLD manager is a member of the ccNSO or not

- Depending on the scope and charter of a ccNSO Working Group or Committee, those affiliated with other ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees are welcome to join as observers.
Which topics does the ccNSO address?

Relevant to ccTLDs globally:
- Security and stability of services
- Internet Governance
- Legislative initiatives
- Operational best practices
- Other

Also: internal ccNSO Governance
ccNSO policy development

- **ccPDP3 Retirement** of ccTLDs
- **ccPDP3 Review Mechanism** for decisions pertaining to:
  - delegation,
  - transfer,
  - revocation and
  - retirement of ccTLDs
- **ccPDP4 IDN** to define the criteria, process, and procedures for (de)selecting Internationalized Domain Name country code Top Level Domain strings (IDN ccTLDS)
  - The results of this ccPDP4 will eventually replace ICANN’s IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process.
## Working Group or committee highlights

Read the latest on [https://community.icann.org/x/4QciCw](https://community.icann.org/x/4QciCw)

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<td>● incident response community for and by ccTLDs: brings together folks who are responsible for the overall security and stability of their ccTLD</td>
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<td>● Developed a Disaster Recovery Playbook: hands-on guideline for smaller registries</td>
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<td>● Workshop in the making for ICANN 81</td>
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<td>● useful resources for ccTLDs: Library and e-mail list</td>
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<td>● Helps ccTLDs to mitigate DNS abuse and its impact</td>
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<td>● At ICANN80: session on amendments to gTLD RA and RRA and what ccTLDs should be aware of</td>
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<th><strong>Universal Acceptance Standing Committee (UASC)</strong></th>
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<td>● New Committee, addressing the need of ccTLDs provide the ccTLD community to create a platform to interact and share information at a global level and with other groups under the ICANN umbrella on topics related to UA and acceptance of IDNs.</td>
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**Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)**
- Aim of the Committee is to coordinate, facilitate, and increase the participation of ccTLD managers in ICANN and PTI's strategic and operational planning processes and related budgetary processes
- SOPC is getting ready for the next strategic planning round

**Meetings Programme Committee (MPC)**
- Planning for ccNSO members meetings. Next: ICANN80

**ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC)**
- Coordinates, facilitates, and increases participation of ccTLDs in discussions and processes pertaining to Internet Governance
- At ICANN80: session on how ccTLDs contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals

**Technical Working Group (Tech Day)**
- Planning for Tech Day. Next: ICANN80

**Guidelines Review Committee (GRC)**
- ccNSO governance
- Next work items include: simplification ccNSO guidelines, improve membership voting and more
ccTLD managers need to pay an annual membership fee to the ccNSO.

1) True
2) False
Quiz

Which of the following statements is false?

1) The ccNSO provides a unique platform to share information and be informed about practices by ccTLDs on a global level.

2) When an organization becomes a ccNSO member, ICANN imposes its policies on the daily operations of my ccTLD.

3) The ccNSO gives the opportunity to support and participate in the ICANN multistakeholder model.
How to keep up to date with the ccNSO?
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- [community.icann.org/display/ccnsowkspc/ccNSO+Newsletter](community.icann.org/display/ccnsowkspc/ccNSO+Newsletter)
- [community.icann.org/category/ccnso](community.icann.org/category/ccnso)
- [ccnso.icann.org](ccnso.icann.org)
- [ccnsosecretariat@icann.org](ccnsosecretariat@icann.org)

**Revamped ICANN Learn Course:**

**Introduction to the ccNSO**

Meet with Councillors, ccNSO members & the Secretariat
I am very active in the internet industry, but I am not affiliated with a ccTLD manager. Am I eligible to join a ccNSO working group or committee?

1) Yes
2) No
3) It depends
The ccNSO at ICANN80
## ccNSO at ICANN80

* ccNSO sessions with interpretation (AR, EN, ES, FR)

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<td>07:00-08:15 UTC 09:00-10:15 local</td>
<td>* Tech Day (1/2)</td>
<td>* ccNSO Welcome Session, Updates and ccTLD News Part 1</td>
<td>* ccNSO Universal Acceptance Standing Committee (UAC): work plan, ccTLD UA readiness, UA Day</td>
<td>* Registrant Capacity Building: Roadmap for possible improvement (35 min.)</td>
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<td>Block 2 (90')</td>
<td>08:45-10:15 UTC 10:45-12:15 local</td>
<td>* ccTLD News Session, Part 2</td>
<td>* Policy Update Session</td>
<td>* World Café (2/2): explore improvements ccNSO Membership voting</td>
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| Block 3 (75') | 11:45-13:00 UTC 13:45-15:00 local | | | |
| DNSSSEC Workshop (1/2) | * Policy Session Planning [C] | * ccNSO DNS Abuse Standing Committee (DASC): amendments gTLD RA and RAA, what should ccTLDs be aware of? | * ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC): how ccTLDs contribute to a better world (UN Sustainable Development Goals) | * ccNSO Council |

| Block 4 (90') | 13:30-15:00 UTC 15:30-17:00 local | Visit to Kigali Genocide Memorial | | Board Led Community Engagement on Draft FY26-30 ICANN Strategic Plan |
| DNSSSEC Workshop (2/2) | ICANN WSIS+20 Session | * ccNSO Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC): ccTLD relevant aspects in ICANN's Strategic Planning | | |

| 17:00-18:00 local | Reception | Reception | ccNSO Cocktail | Reception | Reception |

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ICANN80 links to bookmark now

- ccNSO Schedule
  https://community.icann.org/x/GQBkEw
- ccNSO Session Highlights
  https://community.icann.org/x/wYcfEw
- Tech Day
  https://community.icann.org/x/OgBkEw
Thank you!

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