

## **MOTION IN RELATION TO THE ADOPTION OF THE GNSO REVIEW WORKING GROUP IMPLEMENTATION FINAL REPORT**

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**Seconded by:**

Whereas:

1. The second independent review of the GNSO commenced in 2014.
2. The Final Report of the independent examiner was published on 15 September 2015 (see <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/gnso-review-final-15sep15-en.pdf>) and contained 36 recommendations in the areas of: participation & representation, continuous development, transparency and alignment with ICANN's future.
3. The GNSO Council adopted the GNSO Review Recommendations Feasibility and Prioritization analysis (see: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/drafts/review-feasibility-prioritization-25feb16-en.pdf>) on 14 April 2016 with the modification of Recommendation 21, that the council recommends staff working with the GNSO to institute methods of information sharing of highly relevant research related to gTLDs to help the GNSO community members increase their knowledge base (low priority).
4. On 25 June 2016, the ICANN Board accepted the Final Report from the independent examiner, taking into account the GNSO Working Party's Feasibility and Prioritization Analysis of the GNSO Review Recommendations, adopted with modifications by the GNSO Council, the Board adopts thirty-four (34) recommendations of the Final Report (i.e. all recommendations excluding recommendations 23 and 32).
5. Furthermore, the Board requested that the GNSO Council convene a group that oversees the implementation of Board-accepted recommendations. An implementation plan, containing a realistic timeline for the implementation, definition of desired outcomes and a way to measure current state as well as progress toward the desired outcome, shall be submitted to the Board as soon as possible, but no later than six (6) months after the adoption of this resolution.
6. The GNSO Council requested that ICANN policy staff prepare a discussion paper that outlines the possible options for dealing with the implementation of the GNSO Review recommendations following adoption by the ICANN Board taking into account the past implementation of the GNSO Review as well as existing mechanisms such as the SCI, the GNSO Review Working Party and other applicable best practices and lessons learned from past reviews. This discussion paper was submitted to the GNSO Council on 20 June 2016 (see <http://gnso.icann.org/en/drafts/review-implementation-recommendations-discussion-paper-20jun16-en.pdf>).

7. The GNSO Council reviewed and discussed next steps during the ICANN meeting in Helsinki where it was proposed to repurpose the SCI as a Working Group to develop the requested implementation plan as outlined in the staff discussion paper.
8. The GNSO Council adopted the [Charter](#) of the GNSO Review Working Group during its meeting on 21 July 2016.
9. This Working Group was tasked to develop an implementation plan for the [GNSO Review recommendations](#) which were [adopted](#) by the ICANN Board on 25 June 2016.
10. The [implementation plan](#) was [adopted](#) by the GNSO Council on 15 December 2016.
11. On 03 February 2017 the ICANN Organizational Effectiveness Committee (OEC) of the Board of Directors [adopted](#) the plan.
12. Following approval of the implementation plan by the ICANN Board of Directors, the GNSO Review Working Group executed the implementation of the recommendations as specified in the implementation plan, and provided the GNSO Council with regular status updates (at a minimum prior to every ICANN meeting) on the status of implementation, including an overview for which recommendations implementation was considered complete.
13. On 26 July 2018 the GNSO Review Working Group submitted to the GNSO Council for consideration the GNSO2 Review Implementation Final Report [[INSERT LINK](#)] indicating that the Working Group had agreed by full consensus that all GNSO Review recommendations have been implemented as of 21 June 2018.

Resolved:

1. The GNSO Council adopts the GNSO2 Review Implementation Final Report [[INSERT LINK](#)].
2. The GNSO Council directs staff to submit the GNSO2 Review Implementation Final Report to the OEC of the ICANN Board of Directors for its consideration.
3. The GNSO Council thanks the GNSO Review Working Group members for their diligence and dedication in the successful execution of the implementation of the GNSO review recommendations.
4. The GNSO Council directs staff to issue a new Call for Volunteers for the GNSO Review Working Group to fulfill its ongoing charter task of considering any new requests by the GNSO Council concerning issues related to the GNSO Council processes and procedures and to Working Group guidelines that have been identified either by the GNSO Council, or a group chartered by the GNSO Council, as needing discussion.