

ccNSO Newsletter | August 2020

Apply now: We seek presenters!

TECH DAY

Tech Day will be held as a second, virtual technical workshop at ICANN69 on Monday, 19 October 2020.

The Tech Working Group seeks presenters. Proposals should preferably focus on one of the following topics:

1. DNSSEC, in particular within the European Region and with regards to SHA-1 Transition
2. RDAP implementations
3. Best security management practices, lines of defence, to protect the registry from bad actors, attacks or malware

In addition, Tech WG welcomes suggestions for additional topics. Those interested in presenting should contact ccNSO-techday@icann.org

About Tech Day

Tech Day has been a part of ICANN meetings since 2006



ccTLD NEWS SESSION

Reminder: Apply now for a speaking slot

The ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) will organise for the second time a set of Virtual ccTLD News Sessions. The MPC seeks presentation proposals from the ccTLD community, focusing preferably on one of the following 2 topics:

1. Policy updates by ccTLD registries during the COVID-19 pandemic
2. Legislative initiatives that impact ccTLD registries (e.g. the [Digital Services Act package](#) by the European Commission, or other similar initiatives around the globe)

Alternatively, the MPC might consider presentation proposals, covering for instance best practices, case studies, recent developments, ccTLD activities and ccTLD management related topics, both from an operational, marketing or legal point of view.

There will be 2 options to participate, prior to ICANN69:

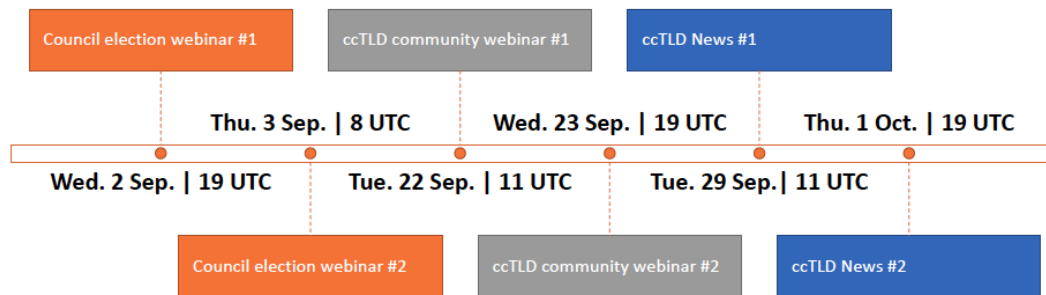
- **Virtual ccTLD News Session #1**

and has provided a forum for both experienced and new people to meet, present and discuss technical topics related to registry and DNS work and security.

- **Virtual ccTLD News Session #2**
Thursday, 1 October 2020 (19 UTC)

Find the instructions on how to apply for a speaking slot [here](#). The deadline is Friday, 4 September 2020 (23:59 UTC)

Join the pre-ICANN69 ccNSO webinars



How to participate?

Check out the [ccNSO workspace](#), and consult the schedule, participation details and other materials for all sessions leading up to ICANN69. For each of the webinars, there are 2 options to participate.

- Details on how to join will become available soon and will be posted [here](#).
- There will be an opportunity to ask questions.
- Recordings will be posted [here](#).



ccNSO Council Election Webinar

- **Wednesday, 2 September 2020 (19 UTC)**
- **Thursday, 3 September 2020 (8 UTC)**

Are you considering running as a candidate for the ccNSO Council? Would you like to learn more about the ccNSO Council and the need to nominate candidates? Join ccNSO Council Chair Katrina Sasaki, as well as other Councillors, for a webinar where you will learn more about:

- the election process
- the need to replace Councillors at reasonable and regular intervals
- the required skill sets for Councillors
- the time commitment and working methods of the ccNSO Council.



ccTLD Community Webinar

- **Tuesday, 22 September 2020 (11 UTC)**
- **Thursday, 23 September 2020 (19 UTC)**

Are you new to the ccNSO, or would like to learn more? During this 1-

hour webinar, the ccNSO Council Chair will help you to gain an understanding of the work of the ccNSO, what to expect from the ccNSO at the Virtual ICANN69 Annual General Meeting, as well as how ccTLD community representatives can participate in the important work that affects you and your region.



ccTLD News Session

- **Tuesday, 29 September 2020 (11 UTC)**
- **Thursday, 1 October 2020 (19 UTC)**

The ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) will organise for the second time a set of Virtual ccTLD News Sessions, covering for instance best practices, case studies, recent developments, ccTLD activities and ccTLD management related topics, both from an operational, marketing or legal point of view. Kindly note that the two sessions each have a separate agenda. The agenda will become available soon.

ICANN69 ccNSO Members Meeting

ccNSO Members Meeting: Session Overview



Here is a sneak preview of the sessions planned as part of the ICANN69 Virtual ccNSO Members Meeting.

Regularly consult the [ccNSO ICANN69 workspace](#), for updates.

Governance Session

Tuesday, 13 October 2020 (10:00-11:30 UTC)

This is a consultation of the ccNSO membership, regarding some highly visible topics that impact the governance of the ccNSO, in particular the expected interaction between, and the roles & responsibilities of the Council and ccNSO membership respectively. The session is intended to provide input to the ccNSO Council and the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC).

Q&A with the ccNSO Council Candidates

Tuesday, 13 October 2020 (12:00-13:30 UTC)

This Q&A session will provide the ccNSO members and broader ccTLD community an opportunity to interact with the candidates for the ccNSO Council. The list of candidates will become available on 8 October, following a call for nominations. An election will be held in November. Read more [here](#).

The impact of COVID-19 on ccTLD managers

Wednesday, 14 October 2020 (12:00-13:30 UTC & 14:00-15:00 UTC)

This session will address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on ccTLDs, especially related to trends on registration numbers, and operational aspects.



Q&A with the ICANN Board Seat 12 candidates Thursday, 15 October 2020 (12:00-13:30 UTC)

This Q&A session will provide the ccNSO members and broader ccTLD community an opportunity to interact with the candidates for the position of ICANN Board seat 12. The candidates are Nigel Roberts and Katrina Sataki. An election will be held – starting in November 2020, after completion of the due diligence verifications – according to the timeline previously agreed upon by the ccNSO Council. Read more [here](#).

Q&A with the ccTLD-related ICANN Board members Tuesday, 20 October 2020 (14:30-15:30 UTC)

The ICANN Board of Directors consists of sixteen voting directors, including two directors nominated by the ccNSO. Currently these two Board members are Chris Disspain and Nigel Roberts. Chris's term ends at the end of ICANN69. Patricio Poblete will replace Chris.

In addition, other ICANN Board members with an association with a ccTLD are invited to this session: Becky Burr, Danko Jevtovic, Rafael Lito Ibarra.

Chris Disspain



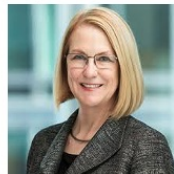
Nigel Roberts



Patricio Poblete



Becky Burr



Lito Ibarra



Danko Jevtovic



ccNSO Council highlights

The ccNSO Council conducted its monthly meeting on Thursday, 20 August 2020. The agenda and relevant background material are available [here](#), and the resolutions approved by the ccNSO Council are available [here](#).

Highlights of the Regular ccNSO Council meeting include:

- Appointment of the members to the ccPDP4 Working Group, and welcome to all participants and observers.
- Adoption of the final report of the CCWG new gTLD Auction Proceeds
- Procedure to select members for the Independent Review Process (IRP) Standing Panel
- Result of the meeting with the Board OECD regarding the second ccNSO organisational review
- Planning for a pre-ICANN69 ccNSO Council Workshop, focusing on ccPDP process effectiveness.
- Planning leading up to ICANN69, including a Council Election Webinar, a ccTLD Community Webinar, and the ccTLD News Session
- Planning during ICANN69

During a closed, Extraordinary ccNSO Council meeting, the ccNSO Council (excluding Katrina, since she is one of the candidates) received a status update on the Board Seat 12 nomination process 2021 and discussed the current state of affairs. The next ccNSO Council meeting is scheduled for 17 September 2020 (21:00 UTC.)

