

ccNSO Newsletter | December 2018

Participate now in the ccNSO organisational review survey

Please take the [ccNSO Review survey](#), now available for community input. The aim of the survey is to collect input from those who have interacted with ccNSO or have suggestions for ways to improve it. The survey is informed by learnings from the independent examiner's (Meridian Institute) research and the interviews it has conducted to date. The survey will close on 21 December 2018.



Visit the [Review Status Update Table](#) for the latest status on ICANN's Specific and Organizational Reviews and additional key resources.

When are the ccNSO relevant sessions taking place at ICANN64?



This is to inform you about the draft high-level ccNSO schedule for ICANN64 in Kobe, Japan. This schedule is subject to change, and all time indications are in local time.

The community forum runs from 9 to 14 March 2019. The final schedule by ICANN will be published on 18 February 2019.

Day 1 | Saturday, 9 March 2019

- ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee | 10:30-12:00
- ccNSO Study Group on use of Emoji as SLDs | 13:30-15:00
- ccNSO PDP on Retirement | 15:15-18:30

Day 2 | Sunday, 10 March 2019

- ccNSO Council Workshop | 09:00-12:00
- ccNSO Council Preparatory Session | 12:15-13:30
- Strategic Operational Planning Committee (SOPC) | 13:30-15:00
- Technical Working Group | 13:30-15:00
- TLD Ops Standing Committee | 15:15-16:45
- TLD Ops Document Drafting (TBC) | 17:00-18:30

Day 3 | Monday, 11 March 2019

- TechDay | 10:30-16:45

Day 4 | Tuesday, 12 March 2019

- ccNSO Members Meeting day 1 | 09:00-18:00

Day 5 | Wednesday, 13 March 2019

- ccNSO Members Meeting day 2 | 09:00-16:45
- ccNSO Council Meeting | 17:00-18:30

Day 6 | Thursday, 14 March 2019

- Meetings to be confirmed

More information will become available closer to the meeting.
Links to bookmark now:

- [ccNSO schedule & remote participation hub](#)

ccNSO council update

Highlights from the latest ccNSO Council meeting



The latest ccNSO Council meeting took place on 6 December 2018. Consult the agenda and background documentation on the [Council Wiki space](#).

Highlights of the council's discussions include, among others:

ccNSO rescinding from the Cross-Community Engagement Group on Internet Governance (CCEG IG)

The ccNSO Council decided not to support the CCEG Charter and to rescind from the CCWG IG / CCEG, however it remains open for collaboration. The ccNSO Council will appoint a IG Coordination Committee to further liaise with the members of the CCWG IG / CCEG, ICANN staff and other active participants from the broader ICANN community. The committee should include at least two Council members and one member of the broader community. A call for volunteers will be published shortly.

A balancing act: the approach of the Study Group on the use of emoji as second level domains

Following the group's update to the community at ICANN63, concerns were raised that the Study Group's approach is too defensive and risk averse. In response, the ccNSO Council notes that the Study Group was established at the request of the ICANN Board to inform the community about [SAC 095 | SSAC Advisory on the Use of Emoji in Domain Names](#), and the risks identified in it. Further, the Study Group approached ccTLDs who possibly accept the registration of Emoji domain names, to solicit their views and perspectives and present those to the community.

Learn more about the ccNSO Study Group on the use of emoji as second level domains [here](#).

Composition of the ccNSO Council

The [ccNSO Council](#) is comprised of eighteen Council members in total. Fifteen are appointed by the ccNSO members and three Councillors are selected by ICANN's Nominating Committee (NomCom).



Fiscal Year 19 ccNSO Council elections

Following the conclusion of the [elections](#) among the ccNSO members from the European region, and the recent adoption of the [Election Report](#) by the ccNSO Council during its December meeting, the following candidates will take their seat on the ccNSO Council at the end of ICANN64 in Kobe, Japan:

- Africa: [Biyi Oladipo](#) (.ng) - new
- Asia-Pacific: [Jordan Carter](#) (.nz) - new
- Europe: [Nick Wenban-Smith](#) (.uk) - new
- Latin America/Caribbean: [Demi Getschko](#) (.br) - reappointed
- North America: [Pablo Rodriguez](#) (.pr) - reappointed

At the end of ICANN63 in Barcelona, Spain, the NomCom appointees to the ccNSO

Council took their seat: [Laura Margolis](#) was appointed for a three-year term, whereas [Ajay Data](#) was appointed for a two-year term. The Nominating Committee is charged with recruiting and selecting a portion of ICANN's leadership and is mandated to ensure that ICANN's overall leadership is diverse in geography, culture, skills, experience, and perspective.

TLD-OPS Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity Planning Playbook

Community volunteers under auspices of the TLD-OPS Standing Committee are currently drafting a playbook containing basic concepts for disaster recovery and business continuity specific to ccTLDs. During a collaborative session at ICANN63, TLD-OPS organized an in-depth discussion focused on the various aspects of disaster recovery. Participants discussed detection, activation, analysis of incidents, and action and communications planning. One of the takeaways from the workshop is the need to develop a ccTLD playbook to assist ccTLD registry and DNS operations. A draft of the playbook should be presented at ICANN64.

OVER 200 MEMBERS



Learn more about TLD-OPS [here](#).

