

ccNSO Newsletter | December 2019



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- ccNSO Members Meeting agenda
- ccNSO Remote Participation Hub: will contain an overview of all relevant ccNSO sessions, and how to participate remotely.
- ICANN67 meeting website: Contains among others the venue map. Please make sure to register for the meeting.
- Comprehensive ICANN66 meeting schedule [available 17 February 2020]

I C A N N C A N C Ú N 7-12 March 2020 COMMUNITY FORUM

High-level ccNSO schedule at ICANN67

The Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) program begins on Saturday, 7 March, with a meeting of the Guidelines Review Committee (GRC), Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC) and a three-hour meeting regarding ccPDP3 (phase 1: retirement of ccTLDs. | Phase 2: review mechanism pertaining to decision on the delegation, transfer, revocation, and retirement of ccTLDs.) On Sunday, 8 March, the ccNSO Council will hold a three-hour workshop, followed by a preparatory meeting where the ccNSO will plan for their joint meetings with the ICANN Board of Directors, the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), and the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council. The Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC), and the Top-Level Domain Operations (TLD-OPS) Standing Committee will also hold meetings on Sunday. Tech Day, a workshop open to all community members with an interest in technical, operational, and security topics, is scheduled for Monday, 9 March.

Tuesday,10 March, and Wednesday,11 March, are dedicated to the <u>ccNSO</u> <u>Members Meeting</u>, where the ccTLD community and others with an interest in ccTLD-related matters will discuss and receive updates on topics relevant to ccTLD

managers. This includes a panel discussion on the rules of the ccNSO, and sessions on DNS Abuse, governance models for ccTLD Managers, the ccNSO Policy Development Process on the Retirement of ccTLDs (ccPDP3), as well as information related to ccPDP4 on the Internationalized Domain Names (IDN) policy. The ccNSO program ends on Thursday, 12 March, with a meeting by the Meetings Program Committee (MPC). The detailed ccNSO schedule, including a summary of the topics covered and remote participation details for ICANN67, will be published on the ccNSO ICANN67 workspace, closer to the meeting.

Nominations & elections ccNSO Council

In accordance with the applicable rules, two candidates from the Asia-Pacific region were nominated, seconded and have accepted their nomination. Consequently, an election was held among the ccNSO members of the Asia-Pacific Region according to the timeline previously agreed upon by the ccNSO Council. At the closure of the elections, 29 members (52.7 %) casted their votes: Ai-Chin Lu (.tw) received the majority of the votes.

As only one candidate was nominated and seconded within the nomination period for the African, European, Latin American/Caribbean and North American regions, no elections needed to be held in those regions.

The ccNSO Council adopted the <u>Election Report</u> during its <u>meeting on 19</u> <u>December.</u> The term start of the appointed Councillors will be at the end of ICANN67 in Cancun.











Business continuity implementation guidance for smaller ccTLD operators



Playbook now available

The TLD-OPS Standing Committee is proud to present the first version of the Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity Playbook. Download the English version of the playbook here. Translations are forthcoming.

Over the past 2 years, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) <u>Top-Level Domain Operations (TLD-OPS) Standing Committee</u> held a series of disaster recovery and business continuity workshops, including a Tabletop eXercice (TTX) at ICANN66 in Montreal to test its draft disaster recovery and business continuity playbook. The first version of the playbook was released on 17 December 2019, and serves as a basic business continuity strategy and implementation guide for smaller country code top-level domain (ccTLD) operators. Read more here.

ccTLD in the spotlight: .vn

20 years VNNIC | .vn ccTLD Registry

On 11 December 2019, at the occasion of Internet Day 2019, Viet Nam Internet Network Information Center (VNNIC) - the .vn ccTLD Registry - officially announced its <u>Viet Nam Internet Resource Report 2019</u> as part of its 20th anniversary celebrations. It provides an overall picture of the growth of the Internet resources in Viet Nam and looks back at 20 years of VNNIC and the development of Internet in Viet Nam. This report was introduced for the first time in 2012 and has since become an annual publication which provides Internet statistics, some main achievements and growth trend of Internet resources in Viet Nam.

About VNNIC:

Vietnam Internet Network Information Center (VNNIC) is an affiliation to the Ministry of Information and Communications, founded on 28 April 2000. VNNIC carries out the functions of managing, allocating, supervising and promoting the use of Internet domain names, IP addresses and Autonomous System Number (ASN) in Viet Nam (collectively called Internet Resources). Moreover, VNNIC provides Internet-related guidance, Internet statistics and joins international activities on the Internet.





Highlights from the ccNSO Council

Overview of some of the recent ccNSO Council decisions

- Approval of membership application ccNSO of .tz (Tanzania)
- Appointment Alejandra Reynoso (.gt) as ccNSO appointed mentor to the ICANN fellowship program
- Approval of the <u>text</u> for the Empowered Community Administration Approval Action, to change section 18 of the ICANN Bylaws
- Submission <u>support SLA change</u> creation and delegation ccTLD Public Statement
- The ccNSO Council accepted a change of the work schedule of ccPDP 3, which
 implies that the second part (development of a review mechanism) will start
 shortly. The ccNSO will open a call for volunteers in January 2020 and will host

- an informative webinar for those interested in joining the group.
- At ICANN66, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) held a
 workshop to begin prioritizing areas of improvement for the ccNSO. The
 improvements are a combination of WS2 recommendations from the CCWG
 Accountability, directed at the community, and recommendations and
 suggestions flowing from the ccNSO review. The ccNSO Triage Committee will
 lead this initiative and is developing a work plan to prioritize the efforts over the
 next few months.
- Following a <u>call for volunteers</u>, the selection process for 2 ccNSO appointed candidates to the Root Server System Governance Working Group (RSS GWG) is ongoing. By 8 January 2020, the ccTLD representatives on the RSS GWG will have been appointed by the ccNSO council.
- Appointment of Margarita Valdes (.cl) and Stephen Deerhake (.as) to the ICANN Ethos Award Panel 2020
- The ccNSO will initiate its fourth PDP on the selection and deselection of Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) country code Top-Level Domain (ccTLD) strings. This PDP will address a limited set of issues related to the selection of IDN ccTLD strings. The issue report and the proposed timeline are expected by the end of February. A call for volunteers will open soon after.
- Related, the Council discussed a draft letter to the ICANN Board, requesting the change of Article 10 and Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws to enable membership of the ccNSO for IDN ccTLD Managers. These changes were developed and adopted by the ccNSO under ccPDP2.

Consult the Council Resolutions and Decisions here. The next ccNSO Council meeting will be held on 22 January 2020.

Happy holidays

The ICANN offices will be closed from 24 December 2019 through 1 January 2020. The ccNSO Secretariat wishes you and your family a happy holiday season.



