Planning for ICANN70 and beyond

The MPC Chair hosted two consultation sessions via Zoom, aimed at collecting the ccTLD community’s feedback regarding ICANN org’s recommended strategic changes for future ICANN Public Meetings and its impact on the ccNSO schedule.

The consultation sessions were held on 15 and 16 December respectively. A recording has been made available here.

The topic has also been discussed by the ccNSO Meeting Programme Committee (MPC) during its 10 December meeting, and by the ccNSO Council during its 17 December meeting. The ccNSO submits its consolidated feedback to ICANN org on 18 December.

Heads-up: We seek presenters for the ccTLD News Session

The ccTLD News Session is pleased to announce that it will organise another set of Virtual ccTLD News Sessions, leading up to ICANN70. At the start of January 2021, the MPC will launch a call for presentation proposals from the ccTLD community. Stay tuned for more information.

ccNSO Council highlights

The ccNSO Council conducted its latest monthly meeting on 17 December 2020 (18 UTC). The agenda and relevant background material are available here, and the resolutions approved by the ccNSO Council are available here.

Highlights of the ccNSO Council meeting include:

- The appointment of additional members to the Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)
- Formal closure of the ccNSO Council Election process. The Council adopted the Election report via an online intermediary decision. Council appointed Hadji Mmadi Ali (Africa), Jiankang Yao (Asia-Pacific), Irina Danelia (Europe), Jenifer Lopez (Latin America - Caribbean), and Sean Copeland (North America). Their three-year term will begin at the conclusion of ICANN70.
- ccNSO meetings ICANN70 and beyond, a response to ICANN org’s recommended strategic changes for future ICANN Public Meetings and the
impact on the ccNSO meeting strategy
- Next steps regarding the ccNSO organisational review: Discussion regarding a letter from the ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee with questions on progress.
- Planning for the next Council workshop, with the following topics:
  - Roles and Responsibilities Councillors, including prep Chair and Vice-chair elections Councils
  - Work Plan ccNSO 2021-2022: ICANN's introduction of project management & operations concept
- After conclusion of the regular Council meeting, Byron Holland took over as Chair of the meeting. Councillors - excluding Katrina - discussed and adopted the Board Seat 12 Nomination Report. Katrina's term on Board Seat 12 will start at the end of the ICANN72 Annual General Meeting.

Council meetings are open to observers. Contact the Secretariat for participation details. The next ccNSO Council meeting is scheduled for 21 January 2021 (12 UTC).

Happy holidays!

Happy Holidays from the ccNSO!

ICANN will be closed from 24 December through 1 January 2021. We wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season.