

## ccNSO Newsletter | March 2021

### We seek volunteers!



#### Focus on Outreach and Involvement

The ccNSO <u>seeks volunteers</u> for the ccNSO Outreach & Involvement Standing Committee (OISC). The call for volunteers will close on Friday, 12 March 2021 (23:59 UTC).

The OISC is a new standing committee to ensure:

- A continued and ongoing coordinated approach regarding the existing and potential outreach and involvement efforts by and targeted at the ccNSO and ccTLD community
- ccTLDs awareness of and involvement in the aforementioned efforts.

#### Join the OISC webinar

On Thursday, 4 March 2021 (16 UTC) potential OISC members will be informed about the OISC's scope and working methods and have an opportunity to ask questions. Read more <a href="here">here</a>.

### New to the ccNSO?



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 ICANN70 community Forum, as well as how ccTLD community representatives can participate in the important work that affects you and your region.

There are 2 options to participate:

Wednesday, 17 March (19 UTC)
 Join Meeting | Recordings will become available here.

Thursday, 18 March (11 UTC)
 Join Meeting | Recordings will become available here.

# Finger on the pulse: Participate in the ccTLD News Sessions























**ccTLD News Session #1** 9 March 2021 (19:00-20:30 UTC)

Guðrun Poulsen (.fo) | Chair Barbara Povše (.si) | Moderator

- 25 years of Internet in SV... and counting. Lito Ibarra (.sv)
- From digital transformation to economic reactivation in Colombia. Isabel Cristina De Ávila Benitez (.co)
- 2020 in BYnet: main results. Alena Belskaya (.BY, .БЕЛ)
- An integrated approach to compliance and complaints handling. Steph Viljoen (.au)

### ccTLD News Session #2 11 March 2021 (11:00-12:30 UTC)

Guðrun Poulsen (.fo) | Chair Barbara Povše (.si) | Moderator

- Benefits, drawbacks, and evaluation of independent registry management. Bernhart Farra s Sukandar (.id)
- Stepping up with online presence in a post-covid world, the case of Rwanda. Grace Ingabire (.rw)
- Are ccTLD registries ready for Universal Acceptance? Maria Kolesnikova (.RU/.PΦ)
- Sustainability plans for registries. Giovanni Seppia (.eu), Arnaud Recko (.be)

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Starting next week, there will be a number of sessions organized by the ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC), both prior to - and during - the upcoming ICANN70 Virtual Community Forum, which will be held 22 – 25 March 2021. For all relevant information, including a short summary of the presentations, details how to join and session recordings, read more below or visit the ccNSO ICANN70 Workspace.

As part of ICANN70, relevant ccNSO sessions include:

- Tech Day (Monday, 22 March | The agenda will be posted <u>here</u>)
- 3 sessions as part of the **ccNSO Members Meeting**: read more below or visit the **ccNSO ICANN70 Workspace**
- The ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC) will organize a session on the topic of digital sovereignty (Thu, 25 March 2021 | 14:00-15:00 UTC).
- The ccNSO Council will hold its March meeting as part of ICANN70. (Thu, 25 March 2021 | 17:30-19:00 UTC)

Moreover, the ICANN org Prep Week schedule is available as well. There will be ten sessions from 8 – 11 March 2021. To attend any of the ICANN org Prep Week sessions, or the ICANN70 sessions, please <u>register</u>.

### **ICANN70 ccNSO Members Meeting**



# ccNSO Governance

Question & Answer session ccTLD-related Board members





ccTLDs & the Future

### ccNSO Governance Session

Tuesday, 23 March 2021 (15:30-17:00 UTC)

Session Chair: Chris Disspain
The ccNSO has evolved since its
creation in 2003. Its membership
has grown from slightly over 40
members to 172 members, and
while the ccNSO started as a
Supporting Organization with a
limited scope and mandate, it is now
one of the five Decisional
Participants in the Empowered
Community. Moreover, the internal
rules of the ccNSO have not been
updated since their adoption in
2004. They no longer reflect the

evolved roles and responsibilities of the ccNSO Council and ccNSO membership. The goal of this session is to review (and update if needed) the governance structure of the ccNSO. The focus of these discussions will be on ccNSO decision-making processes, roles, and interaction between the ccNSO Council and ccNSO Members. The results of the session will provide the basis for further work on these topics by the ccNSO Council and the ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee (GRC).

### Question and Answer Session with ccTLD-associated ICANN Board Members

Tuesday, 23 March 2021 (21:30-22:30 UTC)

Session Chair: Jordan Carter (.nz)

The ccNSO-appointed ICANN

### ccTLDs & the future Session

Wednesday, 24 March 2021 Part 1: 19:30-21:00 UTC Part 2: 21:30-22:30 UTC

Session Chair: Sean Copeland (.vi) Moderator: Biyi Oladipo (.ng)

ccTLD stakeholders expect their ccTLDs to be resilient and future-

Board members, Patricio Poblete and Nigel Roberts, have been invited to attend a question and answer session and to share their experiences as Board members. Also invited are ICANN Board members with a long standing association with the ccTLD community: Becky Burr, Danko Jevtović, and Lito Ibarra.

proof. The keynote address by Olaf Kolkman (ISOC) in part 1 of this session will explore the properties needed to protect and enhance the future of the Internet. ccTLDs from various regions will look to the future: What do they see as major developments and how do they address them? Listen to presentations by Roelof Meijer (.nl), Anil Kumar Jain (.in) and Frederico Neves (.br). During the second part of the session, the audience and panelists are invited to share their views on making ccTLDs futureproof.

### Register to attend.

Participation Links will be published 24 hours before the session starts. For more information on how to participate,

visit: <a href="https://70.schedule.ic">https://70.schedule.ic</a>
<a href="mailto:ann.org/participation-tools">ann.org/participation-tools</a>



### Links to bookmark now

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VIRTUAL
COMMUNITY FORUM

ccNSO Schedule & Remote Participation Hub: The one-stop page for all your remote participation queries

https://community.icann.org/x/fwIACQ

Agenda ICANN70 ccNSO Members Meeting <a href="https://community.icann.org/x/2AIACQ">https://community.icann.org/x/2AIACQ</a>

Pre-ICANN70 ccNSO sessions https://community.icann.org/x/uQpACQ

Agenda ICANN70 Tech Day <a href="https://community.icann.org/x/nYBeCQ">https://community.icann.org/x/nYBeCQ</a>

Agenda ICANN70 ccTLD News Sessions https://community.icann.org/x/uQpACQ

- The ICANN70 Virtual Community Forum will be held 22-25 March 2021.
- Sessions will be held during general working hours in Cancún (Quintana Roo), Mexico (EST/UTC-5)
- ICANN Prep Week: There will be ten sessions from 8 11 March 2021. To attend any of the ICANN org Prep Week sessions, or the ICANN70 sessions, please <u>register</u>.

### ccNSO Council highlights

The ccNSO Council had its 170th meeting on 18 February 2021 | 20 UTC.

### Highlights:

- Intermediary decisions
- The ccNSO Council agrees with the letter to the Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee, in response to their letter from 9 December 2020, to provide the OEC additional details and clarification per their request and inform them on the status of implementation of the recommendation of the second organizational review of the ccNSO.
- Approval of IANA Naming Function Contract Amendment per IFRT recommendation
- Decision to launch a call for volunteers for the Outreach and Involvement Standing Committee (OISC)
- Discussion on what needs to be included in the revised rules of the ccNSO (i.e. the ccNSO Internal Procedures)
- Adoption of ccNSO Statement procedure regarding the Amendment of Article 10 ICANN Bylaws to include IDN ccTLDs as members to the ccNSO. The drafting team also informed the ccNSO Council about the following aspects:
  - The principle of one vote per member for those organizations or entities that manage multiple ASCII ccTLDs will not be affected by the proposed Bylaw change. This implies that those organizations or entities that have become member for two or more ccTLDs and have become member of the ccNSO will still be able to cast two or more votes in formal voting processes (in the Board nomination process, the Council elections and in membership approval voting of ccPDPs). As was noted in the ccPDP2 part 2, this issue may need to be addressed at one point, to ensure parity of members, who run multiple ccTLDs. Note: Organizations or entities who run multiple IDN ccTLDs related to one (1) country or territory will at a maximum have one (1) vote.
  - The bylaw change will have consequences for the ccNSO Council election guideline and ccNSO Board nomination guideline (see: <a href="https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/guidelines.htm">https://ccnso.icann.org/en/about/guidelines.htm</a>), following Article 10, Section 10.4(h): nomination by any ccNSO member. The Drafting Team advises Council to ask the GRC to look at this issue in due time.

Council meetings are open to observers. Contact the <u>Secretariat</u> for participation details. The next ccNSO Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 25 March 2021 | 17:30-19:00 UTC, as part of ICANN70.

