You are invited to join two Virtual ccTLD News Sessions. There are 2 options to participate:

- Tue, 2 June 2020 | 11:00 UTC
- Tue, 2 June 2020 | 19:00 UTC.

Each session will have separate and unique agendas and you are encouraged to join both.

What is the agenda and how to participate?

**Session #1: Tue, 2 June 2020 | 11:00 UTC**
Join via Zoom [here](#) | Meeting ID: 946 4429 5703 | Password: 3M%ap#%!FD

Session Chair: Barbara Povše (.si)

- Lessons from initiatives to support registrants in areas affected by bushfires/forest fires in Australia in early 2020 | Bruce Tonkin (.au)
- .am/.հա activity during the last COVID-19 months | Anna Karakhanyan (.am/.հա)
- Right protection mechanisms within .rs and .срб domains | Dejan Djukic (.rs/.срб)
- Recent statistics and behaviours at .uk, put in a historical and policy perspective | Eleanor Bradley (.uk)
Session #2: Tue, 2 June 2020 | 19:00 UTC
Join via Zoom here | Meeting ID: 984 7559 7674 | Password: 6b$wbz&mm&

Session Chair: Barbara Povše (.si)

- How to help authorities sorting out covid19-related registrations | Henriette Vignal-Schjoeth (.dk)
- Preliminary study for .py IDN domain deployment with cyrillic characters | Gabriel Valdez (.py)
- Anycast cloud for LACTLD | Miguel Ignacio Estrada (LACTLD)
- The impact of COVID-19 on APTLD members: Survey findings and report on a webinar regarding lessons learned | Leonid Todorov (APTLD)

Stay informed: June webinars

Joint meeting between ccNSO & GAC

On 4 and 5 June, there will be two editions of a virtual joint meeting between the ccNSO & GAC, where you will be able to hear more about the recent ccNSO policy development efforts and the topic of ccTLD DNS abuse.

There are two options to participate:
- Thursday, 4 June 2020 at 11 UTC
- Friday, 5 June 2020 at 19 UTC

Details on how to join the two webinar editions will be shared shortly on the ccNSO mailing lists.

ccTLD Community Webinar

The ccNSO will host two editions of a ccTLD community webinar, targeted at newcomers from the ccTLD community and those who want to learn more about the work of the country code Name Supporting Organisation (ccNSO).

There are two options to participate:
- Tuesday, 9 June 2020 at 11 UTC
  Join via Zoom here | Meeting ID: 965 4016 3576 | Password: 6B+!8Hi6=v
- Thursday, 11 June 2020 at 19 UTC
  Join via Zoom here | Meeting ID: 993 7745 8829 | Password: 6M*&DGdVrw

ICANN68 Prep Sessions

Prep Sessions is the initiative from ICANN org that consolidates all pre-ICANN Public Meeting webinars. With this initiative, ICANN org not only hopes to improve community preparation, but also to increase awareness of plenary topics and enhance briefings and readout sessions. ICANN68 Prep Sessions will take place between 8-18 June 2020. You may find the current schedule with confirmed sessions here.
The virtual ICANN68 Policy Forum

Due to the quickly developing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, ICANN68 – originally scheduled to be held in June in Kuala Lumpur – will be held virtually. Read the announcement here.

The ccNSO meets at ICANN68

The Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) program begins on Monday, 22 June 2020 with Tech Day, a workshop open to all community members with an interest in technical, operational, and security topics.

The ccNSO Members Meeting consists of 3 sessions and starts on Tuesday, 23 June with a session focusing on governance models for ccTLD Managers. The programme continues the next day, - Wednesday, 24 June - with presentations and discussions on “DNS in times of COVID-19: the ccTLD experience”. The final session of the ccNSO Members meetings will be held on Thursday, 25 June when the ccNSO members and broader ccTLD community will be able to participate in a Q&A session with the ccNSO appointed ICANN Board members and others.

The ccNSO Council will have its formal meeting on Wednesday, 24 June 2020, which will be followed by a meeting by the Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC). The Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC) will meet on Thursday, 25 June as well.

Tech Day | Mo, 22 June
The agenda will become available here.

ccNSO Members Meeting | Agenda
- Governance models for ccTLD managers | Tue, 23 June
- DNS in times of COVID-19, the ccTLD experience | Wed, 24 June
- Q&A with ccNSO appointed ICANN Board members | Thu, 25 June

The detailed ccNSO schedule, including a summary of the topics covered and remote participation details for ICANN68, is available on the ccNSO ICANN68 workspace.

ICANN68: Links to bookmark now

- Virtual ccTLD News Session & ccNSO Members Meeting agenda
- ccNSO Remote Participation Hub: overview of all relevant ccNSO sessions, and how to participate remotely.
- ICANN68 meeting website: Please make sure to register for the meeting.
- Comprehensive ICANN68 meeting schedule [available 1 June 2020]

More details will be posted as soon as they become available.

We seek a ccNSO delegate to the NomCom
The ccNSO Council is now looking for a volunteer to serve on the FY2021 ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) on behalf of the ccNSO. This call for volunteers opens Tuesday, 26 May 2020 (23:59 UTC) and closes Tuesday, 9 June 2020 (23:59 UTC).

Read the announcement [here](#).

---

**We seek public comments: ccPDP3**

**ccPDP3 Initial Proposals for Process to Retire ccTLDs**

The ccNSO Policy Development Process 3 (ccPDP3) working group, tasked with developing and proposing policy for the retirement of country code Top-Level Domains, is seeking input and feedback from the broader community on its proposed process to retire ccTLDs, when the country code is removed from list of country codes in the ISO 3166 standard.

After closure of the Public Comment period, the working group will review the comments received and take into account in developing a final set of policy recommendations.

**Close Date:** 10 July 2020, 23:59 UTC | Read more [here](#).

---

**Stay informed about ccPDP4**

This fourth-ever ccNSO Policy Development Process aims to develop policy recommendations for the ICANN Board. In time, the results of this ccPDP will replace the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process, which currently guides the selection process of IDN ccTLD strings.

During its meeting on 21 May, the ccNSO Council adopted the [Issue Report](#) on Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) country code top-level domain strings. With the adoption of this report, the fourth policy development process (ccPDP) for the ccNSO is initiated.

Mid-July 2020, the ccNSO Secretariat will send out a call for volunteers and will invite stakeholders as listed in the group’s charter, to join the Working Group. Prior to this call for volunteers, the secretariat will organise a webinar to inform the community about the topics to be addressed and the working methods of the ccPDP4 WG.

---

**Highlights from the ccNSO Council**

**Recent ccNSO Council discussions and decisions**

The ccNSO Council met on Thursday, 21 May 2020. Consult the agenda and relevant
documents on the Council Workspace. Among others, the following topics have been discussed:

- **Virtual Council Workshop**
  On 3 June, the Council will hold its first Virtual Workshop, focusing on its Work Plan and the ccNSO priorities. This is a closed meeting.

- **Adoption revised ccNSO Guideline**
  The ccNSO Council adopted a revised version of the Guideline: ccNSO Nomination Process Board Seat 11 and 12. Consult the most recent version of the ccNSO Guidelines [here](#).

  - **Board Seat 12 nomination process.**
    The timeline has been adopted and the Nomination Process Manager has been appointed. The Nomination Process will start as early as 9 June 2020 to ensure that the background check procedure is completed prior to the ICANN69 Q&A session with the ICANN Board nominees. Read the pre-announcement [here](#).

  - **Adoption revised ToR IGLC**
    The Internet Governance Liaison Committee reviewed its Terms of Reference, and suggested some changes. Specifically it has introduced a mechanism for the IGLC to select the chair of the committee, aligning it with the regular mechanism that the chair is appointed by the Council after being nominated by the group.

  - **ccPDP4 on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings.**
    The Council adopted the [Issue Report](#) on Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) country code top-level domain strings. With the adoption of this report, the fourth policy development process (ccPDP) for the ccNSO is initiated. In time, the results of this ccPDP will replace the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process, which currently guides the selection process of IDN ccTLD strings.

  - **Launch call for volunteers ccNSO delegate to the ICANN FY21 NomCom**
    The ccNSO Council is now looking for a volunteer to serve on the FY2021 ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) on behalf of the ccNSO. This call for volunteers opens Tuesday, 26 May 2020 (23:59 UTC) and closes Tuesday, 9 June 2020 (23:59 UTC). Read the announcement [here](#).

  - **Customer Standing Committee (CSC)**
    The ccNSO Council adopted the timeline as proposed for the selection of a ccNSO appointed member on the CSC, and requested the Secretariat to launch the call for volunteers starting on 2 June and closing on 16 June, in accordance with the mechanism in the Guideline: ccNSO Actions respecting the Customer Standing Committee. The ccNSO Council also confirms the appointment of the CSC selection committee. The mandate of this Council committee will be to consult with the RySG and GNSO Council and approve the full slate of membership.

The next ccNSO Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, 24 June, as part of ICANN68. Consult the 2020 Council Resolutions and Decisions [here](#).