Nominations are now open
We seek one ccNSO Council member for the EU Region

Giovanni Seppia has indicated he will step down from the ccNSO Council at the end of 2021. ccNSO members in the European Region will now need to select a candidate for the remainder of Giovanni’s term (until March 2023). The call for nominations closes Thursday, 2 December 2021 (23:59 UTC).

Read more

Make your voice heard!
ccNSO members from the Asia-Pacific region select their preferred candidate

Elections for one ccNSO Council member for the Asia-Pacific region are still open. ccNSO Members from the Asia-Pacific region can vote until Thursday, 25 November 2021 (23:59 UTC). Two candidates applied: Anil Kumar Jain and Jordan Carter.

Read more

Stay informed about the ccNSO Working Groups & Committees

In preparation of each ccNSO Council meeting, a written update regarding the work by the various working groups and committees is sent to Council. It includes information about the current status, next steps and what the activities are about.

Read more about:
- ccPDP3 Retirement
- ccPDP3 Review Mechanism Working Group (ccPDP3-RM)
- ccPDP4 Working Group on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings (ccPDP4-IDN)
- Guidelines Review Committee (GRC)
- Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC)
- Meetings Programme Committee (MPC)
- Outreach and Involvement Standing Committee (OISC)
- Strategic and Operational Planning Committee (SOPC)
- Triage Committee
- Tech Working Group
- TLD-OPS Standing Committee
- Empowered Community Administration (ECA)
- Customer Standing Committee (CSC)

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Webinar on New ccNSO Rules: Save The Date
The ccNSO Guidelines Review Committee subgroup on Rules invites the ccTLD Community to join a public webinar on Thursday, 9 December 2021 at 13:00 UTC, to present their final draft of the updated ccNSO Rules. Based on the feedback, the Working Group will finalize its draft, which will then be put before the ccNSO membership for adoption through a voting process.

Date: Thursday, 9 December 2021  
Time: 13:00 UTC  
Join meeting:  
https://icann.zoom.us/j/94200072453pwd=Z3pOd1NMm5GQXc0VDR0NlRmWGR2dz09

Background

The new Rules will have a direct impact on the governance structure of the ccNSO, specifically on the respective roles and responsibilities of the Council and ccNSO membership. ICANN72 marked the 4th ccNSO Governance Session, building on the previous sessions at ICANN69, ICANN70 and ICANN71, where the ccNSO Council and Members have been discussing the need to update the internal rules of the ccNSO, which were adopted in 2004. A ccNSO Working Group held various consultations with the ccNSO membership to identify issues, find solutions and to update about progress.

Looking back at ICANN72

The Policy Outcomes Report is out now

Written by the ICANN organization Policy Development Support team, the ICANN72 Policy Outcomes Report captures decisions and outcomes from the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees. This report also summarizes the plenary session, reviews additional activities of the ICANN community, looks to next steps, and provides resources to enable sustained engagement on important issues.

Read more

Thank you for your input!

The ccNSO Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) thanks those that answered the ICANN72 satisfaction survey. Your input is valuable, and provides useful guidance for future ccNSO Member Meetings.

The MPC has now finalised its “feedback-on-feedback”. This document aims to evaluate the community feedback received regarding the Virtual ccNSO Members meeting at ICANN72, and provides the feedback from the MPC in response.

Read more

Looking ahead: ICANN73

If you could choose one topic for the next meeting ... which one would that be?

The MPC welcomes any suggestions you may have. Contact the ccNSO Secretariat

Soon you can respond to a call for presentation proposals for the pre-ICANN73 ccTLD News Sessions. Keep an eye out for the announcements on the ccNSO website!
Read the report by Lianna Galstyan on the Armenian IGF

Lianna Galstyan (Vice Chair Board at .am/.հայ) is a member of the ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC). In this report, Lianna reflects on the discussions and outcomes of the 6th Armenian IGF, held in October 2021. She also talks about the 5th anniversary of .հայ, the Armenian IDN top-level domain.

Read the report by Lianna Galstyan [here](#).

ccNSO Council Highlights

The ccNSO role on DNS Abuse: Next Steps

The ccNSO Council did not meet in November. Instead, the ccNSO Council invited the ccTLD Community to join a public workshop on Thursday, 18 November 2021 at 12:00 UTC to further discuss the suggestions regarding what the ccNSO should do or should not do with respect to DNS abuse, in addition to what is already happening at the local and regional ccTLD level.

The ccNSO has organized various sessions on Domain Name System (DNS) abuse in recent ICANN Public Meetings. ccTLD managers and others shared their experiences with respect to mitigating DNS abuse, focusing on what ccTLDs do nationally and regionally.

During ICANN72, the conversation shifted to focus on exploring the potential role of the ccNSO itself. Both ccTLDs and other stakeholders suggested activities the ccNSO could undertake to complement existing work being done by the community.

The ccNSO Council will now develop a plan which will be presented to the ccTLD community in early 2022. The goal is to launch the ccNSO activities aimed at mitigating DNS abuse by ICANN73.

Recordings:

- [ICANN72 ccNSO session on DNS Abuse](#)
- [November ccNSO Workshop](#)

The ccNSO Council will reconvene on 16 December 2021 at 18:00 UTC. Council meetings are open to observers. Contact the ccNSO Secretariat for participation details.