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Links to bookmark now

- ccNSO Members Meeting agenda
- ccNSO Remote Participation Hub: 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]

High-level ccNSO schedule at ICANN67

Saturday, 7 March 2020
- Guidelines Review Committee (GRC) | 10:30-12:00
- Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC) | 13:30-15:00
- ccPDP3. phase1: retirement ccTLDs, phase2: review mechanisms | 15:15-18:30

Sunday, 8 March 2020
- ccNSO Council Workshop | 09:00-12:00
- ccNSO Council Preparatory session | 12:15-13:30
- Tech Working Group | 13:30-15:00
- Strategic & Operational Planning Committee (SOPC) | 13:30-16:45
- TLD OPS Standing Committee | 15:15-16:45
- Joint session: ALAC and ccNSO – 17:00-18:00

Monday, 9 March 2020
- Tech Day | 10:30-18:30
- Joint session: ccNSO and GNSO | 12:15-13:30
- Plenary session 1: The Domain Name Services Marketplace | 17:00-18:30

Tuesday, 10 March 2020
- ccNSO Members Meeting, day 1 | 09:00-18:00
Wednesday, 11 March 2020

- Joint session: ICANN Board and ccNSO | 11:00-12:00
- Joint session: ccNSO and GAC | 13:30-14:15
- ccNSO Networking Event (additional information available shortly)

Thursday, 12 March 2020

- Plenary session 2: The DNS and the Internet of Things | 09:00-10:15
- ccPDP4 (IDN policy) | 10:30-12:00
- Meetings Programme Committee (MPC) | 13:30-15:00

Tech Day seeks presenters

Tech Day has been a part of ICANN meetings since 2006 and has provided a forum for both experienced and new people to meet, present and discuss technical topics related to registry and DNS work and security.

If you are interested in presenting, please email the Tech Working Group.

Join the ccNSO Community Webinar

The ccNSO will host a community webinar, targeted at newcomers from the ccTLD community and those who want to learn more about the work of the ccNSO.

During this webinar, the ccNSO Council Chair and Secretariat will help you to gain an understanding of the work of the ccNSO, what to expect from the ccNSO at ICANN67 in Cancun, as well as how ccTLD community representatives can participate in the important work that affects you and your region. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

There are two options to participate:
- Tuesday, 4 February 2020 at 11 UTC
- Wednesday, 5 February 2020 at 19 UTC

To participate, please RSVP to Joke Braeken to receive a calendar invite and dial-in details. Kindly specify which slot you prefer to attend. A recording will be made available here.

Reminder to vote:

Elections ICANN Board Seat 11
Message to all ccNSO Members

This is a gentle reminder to vote in the elections for the position of ccNSO appointed ICANN Board Member, Seat 11. You have a choice to determine who will represent the country code Name Supporting Organisation within the ICANN Board of Directors. Let your voice and vote be heard by voting for the candidate that best represent you.

The ballot was sent on 14 January by tally@icann.org to the e-mail address of the primary contacts, as listed in the ccNSO Member database. Only ccNSO members are eligible to vote in this election round. Voting closes on Friday, 31 January 2020 (23:59 UTC). Contact the Nomination Manager, Joke Braeken, in case you have questions.

Read more here:
- Election Notice (13 January 2020)
- Important update to the Election Notice (14 January 2020)

Apply for travel funding for ICANN68, Kuala Lumpur

Between Wednesday, 22 January 2020 (00:01 UTC) and Wednesday, 5 February 2020 (noon UTC) it is possible to apply for ccNSO travel funding to attend the ICANN68 ICANN Policy Forum, taking place 22-25 June 2020 in Kuala Lumpur. No early/late submissions will be accepted.

Read more here, about who can apply, what is included, how to apply and the next steps.

The ccNSO seeks volunteers

Join ccPDP3 | Part 2 Review Mechanism

The ccNSO seeks volunteers (members and chair) for the second Working Group of the third ccNSO Policy Development Process (ccPDP3). This group will be tasked to develop the Review Mechanism pertaining to decisions regarding the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs. The call for volunteers will close Friday, 7 February 2020 (23:59 UTC).
To learn more on who can join, the workload and working method, how to apply and the next steps, click here. On 23 January 2020, the ccNSO organized a webinar to inform interested parties about the work of the phase 2 WG. Consult the recording of the webinar here.

About ccPDP3

This third-ever ccNSO Policy Development Process aims to develop policy recommendations for the ICANN Board, which will include a review mechanism pertaining to decision on the delegation, transfer, revocation, and retirement of ccTLDs.

In March 2017, the Council decided at the time to split the work in 2 phases:
- Phase 1: is about to conclude its work. This group focused on the retirement of the delegated Top Level Domains associated with alpha-2 codes assigned to countries and territories listed in the ISO 3166-1 standard. Read more here.
- Phase 2: focus lies on the review mechanisms. The Phase 2 work will begin after the ccNSO Council approves the roster of volunteers.

Highlights from the ccNSO Council

Recent ccNSO Council discussions and decisions

- Appointment 2 members to the Root Server System Governance Working Group. Read more here.
- appointment Abdullah Cemil Akçam (.tr) as member of the ccNSO IGLC.
- The ccNSO Council decided to launch the fourth ever ccNSO Policy Development Process (ccPDP4). Read more here.
- Appointment Council oversight committee ccPDP4
- Adoption of the 22 January 2020 version of the letter to the ICANN Board of Directors, requesting a change to article 10 and Annex B of the ICANN Bylaws to include IDN ccTLD Managers in the ccNSO.
- Adoption joint guideline ccNSO & GNSO Special IANA Function Review
- Discussion regarding the ICANN67 agenda for the ccNSO Council Workshop. Agenda topics may include: discussion on improving efficiency ccNSO PDPs, roles and responsibilities Councillors, a follow-up on the areas of improvement for the ccNSO, an initial discussion regarding the Council priorities and the ccNSO work plan 2020-2022, potential changes to the 2004 Rules of the ccNSO.

Consult the Council Resolutions and Decisions here.
The next ccNSO Council meeting will be held on 14 February 2020.