

ccNSO News

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New ccNSO internal Rules came into effect

In October 2022, the ccNSO members voted on the adoption of the proposed new ccNSO internal rules. The vote was valid and quorate and Council adopted the vote report at its meeting on 20 October 2022. The amended Rules became effective upon publication on the ccNSO website.

[Read more](#)

RZERC: ccNSO seeks one volunteer

The ccNSO Council is now looking for one (1) volunteer to serve on the Root Zone Evolution Review Committee (RZERC) on behalf of the ccNSO. The application deadline is 9 November 2022 (23:59 UTC).

[Read more](#)

Keep informed about the work of the ccNSO

In preparation of each ccNSO Council meeting, a written update regarding the work by the various working groups and committees is drafted. It includes information about the current status, next steps and what the activities are about. The October 2022 edition is out now.

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Nominations ICANN Board Seat 11



Join the Question & Answer Session with Patricio Poblete

Thursday, 3 November 2022 | 13:00 UTC

You are warmly invited to participate in a Question & Answer session with Patricio Poblete, candidate for ICANN Board Seat 11. In preparation of this session, Patricio prepared a written [candidate statement](#).

The Q&A session will be held on **Thursday, 3 November 2022 at 13:00 UTC**. Session moderator is Molehe Wesi (.za), Chief Executive Officer at ZADNA, the South African ccTLD Manager and incoming ccNSO Council member from the African region. The session will be recorded, and recordings will be posted [here](#).

[Register to participate](#)

HEADS UP: voting starts soon

8 November 2022

As per the relevant guideline and the timeline previously agreed upon by the ccNSO Council, an election will be held, even if there is only one candidate. The election will start Tuesday, 8 November 2022 (00:01 UTC), after the ccNSO membership had an opportunity to interact with Patricio.

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Third ccNSO Policy Development Process

ICANN Board adopted the ccNSO proposed policy on retirement of ccTLDs

The ICANN Board adopted the ccNSO proposed policy on the retirement of ccTLDs at its regular meeting, held on 22 September 2022 at ICANN75. This is an important milestone for the ccNSO and its third Policy Development Process (ccPDP3). The policy recommendations relate to the retirement of the delegated Top Level Domains associated with the country codes assigned to countries and territories listed in the ISO 3166-1 within the framework of the ccNSO Policy Development Process, as described in the ICANN Bylaws.

In July 2021, the ccNSO membership expressed via a [vote](#) its support regarding the ccNSO Council's recommendation to adopt the proposed policy on the retirement of ccTLDs.

Read the Board resolution [here](#).

ccPDP3-RET: Frequently Asked Questions & Answers

What is the policy about?

- 1. The trigger event for a ccTLD retirement process.** The retirement process starts with the removal of a country code from the ISO3166-1 list of country names. For exceptionally reserved domain names, the trigger event is the fact that the ISO Maintenance Agency makes changes to the reserved 2-letter codes. For IDN ccTLDs, the trigger event will be identified under the ccNSO policy on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings (ccPDP4). *Note 1:* the trigger is the removal of a country code, not the country code Top Level Domain. *Note 2:* RFC1591: IANA (the IANA Functions Operator) is not in the business of determining what is and what is not a country. ISO has a process to determine this.
- 2. Impact of the trigger event on the Root Zone Database.** Once a country code is removed from the ISO3166-1 list, the ccTLD MUST be removed from the DNS rootzone database. The rationale for this is that the link between the ISO3166-list and the list of ccTLDs should be maintained. Also, the ISO Maintenance Agency should be able to assign a 2-letter code to a new Territory.
- 3. ccTLD retirement process.** Once there is a trigger event, the IANA Functions Operator sends a notice of retirement to the ccTLD Manager, with an invitation to discuss a retirement plan. The removal of the ccTLD from the root zone is foreseen to happen 5 years after the retirement notice. The ccTLD manager - together with PTI - can potentially agree to extend this deadline, with an additional 5 years.

Does this policy apply to all ccTLDs?

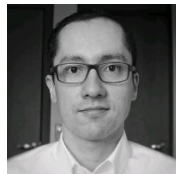
The policy is directed at ICANN, and is within scope of the ccNSO policy development

ccPDP3 Part 2: Review Mechanism

The goal of the ccPDP3-Review Mechanism Working Group (ccPDP3-RM WG) is to report on and recommend a policy for a review mechanism with respect to decisions pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of the delegated Top Level Domains associated with the country codes assigned to countries and territories listed in the ISO 3166-1 and within the framework of the ccNSO Policy Development Process. The group expects to finalise its initial report leading up to ICANN76.

[Read more](#)

Planning for ICANN76



MPC kicked off its planning for next ccNSO Members Meeting

The objective of the Meetings Program Committee (MPC) is to ensure a relevant program for ccTLD managers. The MPC recently evaluated the [feedback](#) received following the ICANN75 meeting.

MPC Chair Everton Rodrigues (.br): *"Thank you to those who provided input! Based on this, the MPC started planning for the upcoming ICANN76 Community Forum, held 11-16 March in Cancun (MX). Keep an eye out for the ccNSO ICANN meetings Workspace! Information will be added there as soon as it becomes available."*

[Read more](#)

2nd CSC Review: Do ccTLDs support the draft ccNSO response?



We seek your input!

The second Customer Standing Committee (CSC) Effectiveness Review seeks comments on its Initial Report. The ccNSO aims to submit a response, supported by both Council and ccNSO members.

[Review the draft ccNSO response](#)

Summary draft ccNSO submission

The ccNSO supports the view of the review team that:

- CSC is effective
- CSC's limited role should not be expanded
- CSC is best positioned to regularly review the IANA Naming Service Level Agreements. These SLAs should remain relevant, up-to date and adequate for the benefit of all ccTLDs.

Why is it important for ccTLDs?

Among others, the CSC Review Team recommends that CSC - in close cooperation with PTI - develop a framework for regular reviews of the IANA Service Level Agreements.

What is this about?

The CSC Effectiveness Team is seeking input on its findings and

Do you support the draft ccNSO response? Are there any comments or concerns? Let us know!

[Contact the ccNSO Secretariat](#)

The deadline is **Tuesday, 15 November 2022 (23:59 UTC)**

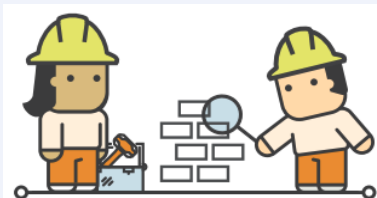


recommendations, at sections 4 and 5 of the [Initial Report](#). Following a [call for volunteers](#), a small team (Irina Danelia, .ru and Molehe Wesi, .za), proposed a draft ccNSO submission in response to a request for comments on the Second CSC Effectiveness Review Initial Report. The ccNSO Council reviewed the draft submission, and now tasks the small team to seek comments and support by the ccTLD community.

The CSC ensures the satisfactory performance of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) naming function. The CSC is responsible for monitoring Public Technical Identifier's (PTI) performance of the IANA naming function against the service level expectations in the IANA Naming Function Contract. The CSC analyzes performance reports provided by PTI and publishes its findings. The CSC is authorized to undertake remedial action to address poor performance of the IANA naming function, and if performance issues are not remedied, may escalate the issues to the ccNSO and GNSO.

Read more [here](#).

ccNSO Council Highlights



The ccNSO Council had its [188th meeting](#) on 20 October 2022. The ccNSO Council will reconvene on 17 November at 18:00 UTC. Council meetings are open to observers. To attend the next meeting, please contact the [ccNSO Secretariat](#).

Highlights from recent Council discussions:

- adoption voting report on amendment ccNSO internal Rules
- review and update of the NomCom job description and the ccNSO skillset criteria
- update charters and Terms of References ccNSO working groups and committees
- appointment additional members to ccNSO working groups and committees
- progress ccNSO Council elections and Board Seat 11 nominations
- draft ccNSO response to the request for comments on the Terms of Reference for the Holistic Review
- draft ccNSO response to the Initial Report by the 2nd CSC Effectiveness Review Team
- development roadmap ccNSO & Universal Acceptance
- Progress introduction Sol & Col Guideline and amendment Guidelines Board seat 11&12 Nomination and Council Election procedure

Topics for the next ccNSO Council meeting will be made available on the [ccNSO Council workspace](#) closer to the meeting. The meeting is scheduled for 2 hours: 1 hour will be dedicated to a Council workshop on improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the ccNSO processes.



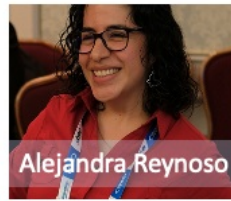
Molehe Wesi



Ai-Chin Lu



Chris Disspain



Alejandra Reynoso



Stephen Deerpake

ccNSO Council elections

The following candidates were nominated, seconded, and have accepted their nomination for the ccNSO council election, as per the applicable rules and timeline:

- Africa: Molehe Wesi
- Asia-Pacific: Ai-Chin Lu
- Europe: Chris Disspain
- Latin America – Caribbean: Alejandra Reynoso
- North America: Stephen Deerpake

The Council Election process 2023 will formally close 7 days after adoption and publication of the Election Report. The terms of the appointed Council members will start at the end of ICANN76, in March 2023.

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