

Motions 21 July 2016

1. MOTION TO APPROVE THE GNSO PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LIAISONS TO THE CUSTOMER STANDING COMMITTEE (CSC) – 06 July 2016 - amended 19 July 2016 - motion carried

Made by: Wolf-Ulrich Knoblen

Seconded by: James Bladel

WHEREAS:

1. On 14 March 2014, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) of the United States Department of Commerce announced its intention to transition key Internet domain name functions to the global multi-stakeholder community and, as the first step, asked to convene global stakeholders to develop a proposal to transition the current role played by NTIA in the coordination of the Internet's domain name system;
2. The IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG) was formed, comprising 30 individuals selected by 13 communities of both direct and indirect stakeholders, to coordinate and develop a unified proposal to be transmitted to the NTIA based on proposals developed by the Internet domain names community (through the CWG-Stewardship, the Internet numbering resources community (through the CRISP Team, and the Internet Protocol parameters community (through the IANAPLAN Working Group;
3. The IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal, combining the community proposal coordinated by the ICG and enhancements to ICANN's accountability identified by the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability (CCWG-Accountability), was transmitted to NTIA by the ICANN Board in March 2016;
4. The package of proposals that was developed by the community in relation to the IANA Stewardship Transition called for the creation of a new structure, the Customer Standing Committee (CSC) to provide operational oversight of the performance of the IANA naming function, a role currently performed by the United States government through the National Telecommunications and Information Authority (NTIA).
5. On 1 June 2016, ICANN sent a request to the ICANN Supporting Organizations (SOs), Advisory Committees (ACs) and Registry Stakeholder Group (RySG) to initiate their respective organization's processes and appoint candidates to serve as members and liaisons on the CSC.
6. As an ICANN Supporting Organization, the GNSO may appoint a liaison to the CSC, in addition to the two gTLD registry operator members to be selected by the RySG.
7. For the liaison, the GNSO may select a primary and a secondary candidate that meet the qualification requirements in the expression of interest, and are geographically diverse.
8. Liaison candidates are to be confirmed by 22 July 2016, and the final slate of CSC members and liaisons as determined by the ccNSO and GNSO Councils will be sent to ICANN not later than 10 August 2016.
9. On 02 June 2016, the GNSO Council confirmed a Selection Committee to evaluate the candidates for primary and secondary GNSO liaisons.
10. On 20 June 2016, the Selection Committee sent reminders to the GNSO Stakeholder Groups and Constituencies requesting Expressions of Interest from candidates to be submitted by 15 July 2016.
11. The Selection Committee has completed its evaluation of the GNSO liaison candidate and submitted the application and the following candidate for GNSO Council consideration: James Gannon.

RESOLVED:

1. The GNSO Council has reviewed the application and the candidate provided by the Selection Committee and approves James Gannon as the Liaison.

2. The GNSO Council requests that the GNSO Secretariat shall provide to ICANN the liaison name along with his Expression of Interest by the deadline of 22 July 2016.
3. The GNSO Council requests that the Selection Committee shall engage, if requested, with the ccNSO Selection Committee to evaluate the full slate of CSC members and liaisons.
4. The GNSO Council will consider the full slate of CSC members and liaisons either at a GNSO Council meeting, or a vote outside of a meeting, on 09 August 2016.

2. Motion – Adoption of GNSO Review Working Group Charter - Option 1 selected by the Council - motion carried

Made by: Wolf-Ulrich Knoblen

Seconded by: James Bladel

WHEREAS,

1. The second independent review of the GNSO commenced in 2014.
2. The Final Report of the independent examiner was published on 15 September 2015 (see <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/gns0-review-final-15sep15-en.pdf>) and contained 36 recommendations in the areas of: participation & representation, continuous development, transparency and alignment with ICANN's future.
3. The GNSO Council adopted the GNSO Review Recommendations Feasibility and Prioritization analysis (see:<http://gns0.icann.org/en/drafts/review-feasibility-prioritization-25feb16-en.pdf>) on 14 April 2016 with the modification of Recommendation 21, that the council recommends staff working with the GNSO to institute methods of information sharing of highly relevant research related to gTLDs to help the GNSO community members increase their knowledge base (low priority).
4. On 25 June, the ICANN Board accepted the Final Report from the independent examiner, taking into account the GNSO Working Party's Feasibility and Prioritization Analysis of the GNSO Review Recommendations, adopted with modifications by the GNSO Council, the Board adopts thirty-four (34) recommendations of the Final Report (i.e. all recommendations excluding recommendations 23 and 32).
5. Furthermore, the Board requested that the GNSO Council convene a group that oversees the implementation of Board-accepted recommendations. An implementation plan, containing a realistic timeline for the implementation, definition of desired outcomes and a way to measure current state as well as progress toward the desired outcome, shall be submitted to the Board as soon as possible, but no later than six (6) months after the adoption of this resolution.
6. The GNSO Council requested that ICANN policy staff prepare a discussion paper that outlines the possible options for dealing with the implementation of the GNSO Review recommendations following adoption by the ICANN Board taking into account the past implementation of the GNSO Review as well as existing mechanisms such as the SCI, the GNSO Review Working Party and other applicable best practices and lessons learned from past reviews. This discussion paper was submitted to the GNSO Council on 20 June 2016 (see <http://gns0.icann.org/en/drafts/review-implementation-recommendations-discussion-paper-20jun16-en.pdf>).
7. The GNSO Council reviewed and discussed next steps during the ICANN meeting in Helsinki where it was proposed to repurpose the SCI as a Working Group to develop the requested implementation plan as outlined in the staff discussion paper.
8. A proposed charter for a GNSO Review Working Group was submitted to the GNSO Council for consideration <http://gns0.icann.org/en/drafts/gns0-review-charter-11jul16-en.pdf>

RESOLVED

1. The GNSO Council adopts the [charter](#) for the GNSO Review Working Group.

2. The GNSO Council directs the Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI), to complete the two tasks assigned to it by the GNSO Council and submit the proposed revisions for approval at the GNSO Council meeting by 01 September 2016. [Option 1: Upon completion of these tasks, any new requests will revert to the GNSO Review Working Group for consideration. Following the completion of these two tasks, the SCI will be disbanded as its work will have been superseded by the GNSO Review Working Group.] [Option 2: During the course of the implementation of the GNSO Review, the SCI will remain dormant until such time the Council identifies a request that needs to be dealt with. Following the completion of the GNSO Review implementation, the SCI will cease to exist and its responsibilities will be taken over by the GNSO Review Working Group as outlined in its charter].

3. The GNSO Council requests ICANN staff to issue a call for volunteers, both to solicit Stakeholder Group and Constituency appointed members and alternates as well as participants from the GNSO and broader community.

4. The GNSO Council directs the GNSO Review Working Group to submit the proposed implementation plan to the GNSO Council for approval at the latest by the ICANN57.

3. Adoption of the GNSO Review of GAC Communiqué for submission to the ICANN Board - deferred to Electronic Voting 6-9 August 2016

Made by: James Bladel

Seconded by: Donna Austin

WHEREAS,

1. The Governmental Advisory Committee advises the ICANN Board on issues of public policy, and especially where there may be an interaction between ICANN's activities or policies and national laws or international agreements. It usually does so as part of a Communiqué, which is published towards the end of every ICANN meeting.
2. The GNSO is responsible for developing and recommending to the ICANN Board substantive policies relating to generic top-level domains.
3. The GNSO has expressed a desire to provide feedback to the ICANN Board on issues in the GAC Communiqué as these relate to generic top-level domains to inform the ICANN Board as well as the broader community of past, present or future gTLD policy activities that may directly or indirectly relate to advice provided by the GAC.
4. The GNSO Council developed a template to facilitate this process, which was completed following the publication of the Helsinki GAC Communiqué by a volunteer and shared with the GNSO Council for its review.
5. The GNSO hopes that the input provided through its review of the GAC Communiqué will further enhance the co-ordination and promote the sharing of information on gTLD related policy activities between the GAC, Board and the GNSO.

Resolved,

1. The GNSO Council adopts the GNSO Review of the Helsinki GAC Communiqué (see [\[include link\]](#)) and requests that the GNSO Council Chair communicate the GNSO Review of the Helsinki GAC Communiqué to the ICANN Board.
2. Following the communication to the ICANN Board, the GNSO Council requests that the GNSO Council Chair inform the GAC Chair as well as the GAC-GNSO Consultation Group of the communication between the GNSO Council and the ICANN Board.