

GNSO Review Working Group Home

In Brief

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council adopted the [Charter](#) of the GNSO Review Working Group during its meeting on 21 July 2016. This Working Group is tasked to develop an implementation plan for the [GNSO Review recommendations](#) which were [adopted](#) by the ICANN Board in June 2017. This [implementation plan](#) was adopted by the GNSO Council via a motion passed on 15 December 2016. See <https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+1+December+2016>. On 03 February 2017 the ICANN Board of Directors [adopted](#) the plan.

What This Working Group Will Do

Per the GNSO Review Working Group [Charter](#) the GNSO Review Working Group will be responsible for developing 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 for the GNSO Review recommendations adopted by the ICANN Board (thirty-four (34) recommendations of the [Final Report](#) of the Independent Examiner (i.e. all recommendations excluding recommendations 23 and 32). This implementation plan was submitted for approval to the GNSO Council, followed by consideration by the ICANN Board. Following the approval of the implementation plan, as noted above, the Working Group is also expected to execute and oversee the implementation of the GNSO Review recommendations unless specified differently in the implementation plan.

The GNSO Review Working Group will also be responsible for considering any new requests^[1] by the GNSO Council concerning issues related to the GNSO Council processes and procedures and to Working Group guidelines that have been identified either by the GNSO Council, or a group chartered by the GNSO Council, as needing discussion. However, the first priority of the Working Group will be the development of an implementation plan and the subsequent implementation of the GNSO Review recommendations.

Timeline and Deliverables

The GNSO Review Working Group is expected to deliver the implementation plan to the GNSO Council for consideration at the GNSO Council meeting at ICANN57 at the latest in order to meet the Board set objective of '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'^[2] i.e., December 2016. The implementation plan as approved by the GNSO Council was submitted to the Board on 15 December 2016.

Members, Participants, and Observers

Each GNSO Stakeholder Group and/or Constituency provides one primary and one alternate member to serve on the GNSO Review Working Group. In addition to these appointed members, the WG has participants and observers. Please note that members and participants are expected to attend conference calls and to actively participate in online discussions. They also must submit a Statement of Interest per Section 5.0 of the GNSO Operating Procedures. Observers can follow the group's work on the mailing list but can neither send to the mailing list nor participate actively in the calls. Please note you can change your status from observer to participant, simply by emailing your request to the GNSO Secretariat (gns-secs@icann.org).

[1] For items that are submitted for review 'on request', the GNSO Review WG expects to receive detailed input from the group affected by the process /operational change concerned. See request template at: https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/14713135/GNSO-SCI-ReviewRequest-yymmdd_template.docx?version=1&modificationDate=1469143165000&api=v2.

[2] The Board resolution was adopted on 25 June 2016

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