The Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) is responsible for developing global policies for country-code Top-Level Domains (ccTLD), promoting consensus within the ccNSO community and coordinating with other Supporting Organizations, committees and constituencies. For more information on the ccNSO, click here.

ccNSO Organizational Review

The goal of the review, to be undertaken pursuant to such criteria and standards as the Board shall direct, shall be to determine (i) whether that organization, council or committee has a continuing purpose in the ICANN structure, (ii) if so, whether any change in structure or operations is desirable to improve its effectiveness and (iii) whether that organization, council or committee is accountable to its constituencies, stakeholder groups, organizations and other stakeholders.

These periodic reviews shall be conducted no less frequently than every five years, based on feasibility as determined by the Board. Each five-year cycle will be computed from the moment of the reception by the Board of the final report of the relevant review Working Group.

For more information on organizational reviews, click here.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: MERIDIAN INSTITUTE

NEWS AND UPDATES

Clarifications on the Feasibility Assessment and Initial Implementation Plan

ccNSO Review Working Party (RWP) provided the Organizational Effectiveness Committee (OEC) with clarifications to their Feasibility Assessment on 26 February 2021, in response to the OEC letter on 9 December 2020.

These clarifications will help the OEC inform their evaluation of the Feasibility Assessment and advise the ICANN Board on the recommendations and next steps, including the basis on which the Final Report and Assessment and Implementation Plan can be accepted.

Feasibility Assessment and Initial Implementation Plan - 24 June 2020

ccNSO conducted a Feasibility Assessment and initial implementation plan with respect to the recommendations submitted in the Independent Examiner’s final report, and submitted it to the Organizational Effectiveness Committee (OEC). The Assessment contained a response to the findings and the recommendations, including rationale in cases of disagreement, as well as initial thoughts on how the recommendations that are addressed at the ccNSO can/will be implemented.


Today, the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) announces that the Meridian Institute, the independent examiner of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), has concluded its review and submitted its final report. See more information here.


Meridian Institute, the independent examiner conducting the second Country Code Names Supporting Organization Review (ccNSO2), has published its draft final report for public comment. Meridian Institute will present the draft final report to the community during ICANN65 on 26 June 2019 in Marrakech, Morocco, and during a webinar on 10 July 2019 at 19:00 UTC.
Assessment Report for Community Input; Join the Upcoming Webinar

8 April 2019 -

Meridian Institute, the independent examiner performing the second review of ICANN’s Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), has published its assessment report for community consultation.

Read the report.

Your comments are encouraged and can be sent to reviews@icann.org until 23:59 UTC on 26 April 2019. All comments will be forwarded to the ccNSO Review Working Party mailing list which is publicly archived. Learn more here.

Public Session at ICANN64, Kobe: ccNSO Review - Community Consultation on the Assessment Phase

When: 17:00 - 18:00 local time, Tue, Mar 12, 2019 (remote participation available)

In this interactive session, Meridian Institute, the independent examiner conducting the second ccNSO Review, will provide an overview of findings in its assessment report from the initial data collection and analysis phase of the review. Following the overview, attendees will be invited to share feedback on the findings by participating in a consultation exercise and collective discussion.

View the session information here: https://64.schedule.icann.org/meetings/962030.

Deadline Extended: ccNSO Review Survey Available for Community Input

19 December 2018 - The deadline to take the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) Review survey has been extended until Friday 11 January 2019 at 23:59 UTC. Click here to take the survey now or see the announcement here for more information.

ccNSO Review Survey Now Available for Community Input

27 November 2018 - Meridian Institute has published a survey for community input. Click here to take the survey now. The survey will close on 21 December 2018 at 23:59 UTC. See the announcement here.

Meridian Institute to Conduct the Second ccNSO Review

31 August 2018 - ICANN has appointed Meridian Institute to conduct the second independent review of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO). Meridian Institute will begin work on the review immediately, and is expected to submit its final report in July 2019. See the announcement here.

Join the ccNSO Review Update Session at ICANN62

When: Wednesday 27 June at 10:30 - 11:00 EST (15:30 - 16:00 UTC)
Where: ccNSO Members Meeting Day 2 | Salon 4

Remote participation information: https://community.icann.org/x/64Hpb

Request for Proposal for ccNSO Review

23 May 2018 - Deadline Extension! The new deadline for applicants to respond to the request for proposal is Monday 4 June, 16:00 UTC. View the announcement.

26 April 2018 - The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is seeking a provider to conduct an independent assessment of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO). Learn more.

Initiating the Second Review of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO)

15 March 2018 - The Board encourages the ccNSO to prepare for an independent examiner to begin work on the second ccNSO Review in August 2018 by organizing a Review Working Party to serve as a liaison during the preparatory phase and throughout the review, and to conduct a self-assessment prior to August 2018. View the Board resolution here.

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