

2005-12-04 - Approval of Terms of Reference for GNSO Review

- **Category:** ICANN Structures
- **Topic:** Terms of Reference for GNO Review
- **Board meeting date:** 4 December 2005
- **Resolution number:** 05.____
- **URL for Board minutes/resolution:** <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-04dec05.htm>
- **Status:** Completed

Summary

Board directs staff to initiate the GNSO Review in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference.

Text

Whereas, Article IV, Section 4 of the ICANN Bylaws provides that the ICANN Board will regularly initiate an independent review of each supporting organization and supporting organization council.

Whereas, at its meeting in Luxembourg in July 2005, the ICANN Board requested the GNSO Council to prepare with the ICANN staff and Board a "Terms of Reference" document to guide an independent review of the GNSO, and to present the terms of reference to the Board for adoption at the meeting in December 2005, in Vancouver, Canada.

Whereas, comprehensive consultation between the GNSO Council, the GNSO Constituencies and members of the ICANN community was undertaken to develop the Terms of Reference.

Whereas the draft Terms of Reference were approved by the GNSO Council and posted on the ICANN website for public comment, which yielded several helpful comments.

Resolved (05.____), the Board directs staff to initiate the GNSO Review in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference.

Implementation Actions

- Initiate the GNSO Review in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference.
 - Responsible entity: ICANN Staff
 - Due date: None provided
 - Completion date: 14 December 2005

Other Related Resolutions

- 17 July 2005 Resolution (05.____), available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-15jul05.htm>.
- 21 February 2006 Resolution 06.05, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-21feb06.htm>.
- Other resolutions TBD.

Additional Information

- ICANN issued a request for proposals for independent evaluators on 14 December 2005, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/announcements/announcement-14dec05.htm>.
- ICANN approved the London School of Economics to perform the GNSO Review on 21 February 2006, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-21feb06.htm>.
- London School of Economics completed the GNSO review and issued a report on 15 September 2006, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/announcements/gnso-review-report-sep06.pdf>.
- The resolution does not address funding for the items identified therein.

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