

2007-03-30 - Board Governance Committee Recommendations on Independent Reviews

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- **Topic:** Recommendations on Independent Reviews
- **Board meeting date:** 30 March 2007
- **Resolution number:** 07.29, 07.30, 07.31
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- **Status:** Completed

Summary

Board directs ICANN Staff to post proposed Terms of Reference for ALAC Review for public comment, and approves proposal and charters to create BGC GNSO Review Working Group and BGC NomCom Review Working Group.

Text

Whereas Article IV, Section 4 of ICANN's Bylaws calls for the Board to cause periodic reviews of the performance and operation of each Supporting Organization, each Supporting Organization Council, each Advisory Committee (other than the Governmental Advisory Committee), and the Nominating Committee by an entity or entities independent of the organization under review.

Whereas on 8 December 2006, the Board approved a comprehensive schedule for independent reviews that included an independent review of the Board, and directed staff to execute the reviews as scheduled.

Whereas the Board has considered the proposed Terms of Reference for the At-Large Advisory Committee that have been recommended by the Board Governance Committee (BGC) to be posted for public comment.

Whereas the BGC has recommended the creation of two working groups comprised of current and former Board members that would report to the Committee and would provide focused attention and guidance to the GNSO and NomCom review efforts – a "BGC GNSO Review Working Group" and a "BGC NomCom Review Working Group."

Whereas the Board has considered the individuals to be appointed as working group members, and the charters for these working groups, that have been recommended by the BGC.

Resolved (07.29), the ICANN Board directs staff to post the proposed Terms of Reference for the At-Large Advisory Committee review for public comment and further consideration.

Resolved (07.30), the ICANN Board approves the Board Governance Committee's proposal to create a "BGC GNSO Review Working Group" and a "BGC NomCom Review Working Group," and appoints the following individuals, while noting that additional individuals may be appointed: For the "BGC GNSO Review Working Group" -- Roberto Gaetano, Rita Rodin, Vanda Scartezini, Tricia Drakes, Raimundo Beca, Susan Crawford, and Vittorio Bertola; and

For the "BGC NomCom Review Working Group" -- Alejandro Pisanty; Peter Dengate-Thrush, Njeri Rionge, Mouhamet Diop, Jonathan Cohen, and Steve Goldstein.

Resolved (07.31), the ICANN Board approves the recommended charters for these two working groups that include the objectives, tasks and processes to be undertaken by these groups, and directs staff to support the creation and work of these groups.

Implementation Actions

- Post proposed Terms of Reference for ALAC Review for public comment.
 - Responsible entity: ICANN Staff
 - Due date: None provided
 - Completion date: 30 March 2007

Other Related Resolutions

- 15 July 2005 Resolution (05.__), asking the GNSO Council to prepare a "Terms of Reference" document to guide independent reviewer in conducting a review of the GNSO, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-15jul05.htm>.
- 4 December 2005 Resolution (05.__), approving the Terms of Reference for GNSO review, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-04dec05.htm>.
- 21 February 2006 Resolution appointing the London School of Economics to perform the review, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-21feb06.htm>.
- 29 June 2007 Resolution (07.58), encouraging additional input on proposed recommendations for GNSO improvements, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-29jun07.htm>.
- 15 February 2008 Resolution 2008.02.15.03, opening the GNSO Improvements Report for public comment, available at: http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-15feb08.htm#_Toc64545918.
- 19 March 2008 Resolution (__), extending the public comment period on the GNSO Review Working Group's Report on GNSO Improvements, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-19mar08.htm>.
- 26 June 2008 Resolution (2008.06.26.13), endorsing GNSO Improvements Report, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-26jun08.htm>.
- 31 July 2008 Resolution (__), accepting Working Group's report on new structure for GNSO Council, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-31jul08.htm>.
- 1 October 2008 Resolutions, implementing a series of GNSO improvement initiatives, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/minutes-01oct08.htm>.

- 11 December 2008 Resolution (2008-12-11-02), requesting that members of the GNSO community work with members of the ALAC/At-Large community to jointly develop a recommendation for the composition and organizational structure of a Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/prelim-report-2-11dec08.htm>.
- Other resolutions TBD.

Additional Information

- Information on all Organizational Reviews is available at <http://icann.org/en/reviews/>.
- For proposed Terms of Reference for ALAC Review, see: <http://www.icann.org/en/announcements/announcement-2-30mar07.htm>.
- For Final Terms of Reference for ALAC Review, and RFP for Independent Evaluator for ALAC Review, see: <http://www.icann.org/en/reviews/alac/rfp-20jun07.pdf>.
- GNSO Terms of Reference, posted for public comment in 2005, available at: <http://www.icann.org/en/announcements/announcement-27oct05.htm>.
- GNSO Improvements website, available at: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/improvements/>.
- The resolution does not address funding for the items identified therein.

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