Proposed Revised ALAC JAS Charter

Comparison between Charters

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Review ALAC Charter

Whereas:

The GNSO Council and ALAC established the Joint SO/AC Working group on support for new gTLD applicants in April of 2010; and

The Working Group has completed the work as defined in its initial charter and published a Milestone report on 10 November 2010 covering those chartered items and including a list of further work items that it recommended further work on; and

In recognition of the ICANN Board's resolution 2010.12.10 which reiterated its 2010.10.28.21 in response to an Interim report from the JAS WG, which states:

the Board encourages the JAS WG and other stakeholders to continue their work on the matter, and in particular, provide specific guidelines on the implementation of their recommendations such as determining the criteria for eligibility for support.

Resolved:

1. The charter of the Joint SO/AC New gTLD Applicant Support Working Group is extended to include the following objectives:

a) Propose criteria for financial need and a method of demonstrating that need. Financial need has been established as the primary criterion for support. The group should seek out expert advice in this area, especially given the comparative economic conditions and the cross-cultural aspects of this requirement.

b) Propose mechanisms for determining whether an application for special consideration should be granted and what sort of help should be offered;

c) Propose mechanism(s) for revenue income and other asset management to support new gTLD applicants who meet the criteria as established in objective a). This effort can include recommendations for managing any auction income, beyond costs, for future rounds and ongoing assistance;

d) Propose methods for applicants to seek out assistance from registry service providers.

e) Investigate the options for ICANN or third parties to facilitate or coordinate the assistance identified in c).

f) Propose methods for applicants to seek out assistance from other top-level domain consultants, translators, and technicians, in the application for, and administration of, a new top-level domain)

g) Investigate the options for ICANN or third parties to facilitate or coordinate the assistance identified in e).

h) Establish methods for coordinating cooperation among qualified applicants, and assistance volunteered by third parties.

i) In cooperation with ICANN Staff and donor experts establish policies and practices for fund-raising and for establishing links to possible donor agencies. This activity may include assisting in the establishment of initial relationships with any donor(s) who may be able to help in first round with funding

j) Design mechanisms to encourage the build out of Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) in small or under-served languages.

2. The Working group is asked to present a schedule for the work that allows for completion in time for the opening of the application round, currently scheduled for Q2 2011, in any event no delays for the new gTLD program should result from the working group's work.

3. The Working group shall report its results and present a final report directly to the GNSO Council and the ALAC for discussion and adoption, as appropriate, according to their own rules and procedures.

4. All communication to the ICANN Board regarding the work of this Working Group shall be through the respective SO/AC unless expressly approved by the respective SO/AC.