

Proposed time table for election of the GNSO Council Chair 2016

Nomination Process –October 2016

Per the GNSO Operating Procedures 2.2

<https://gns0.icann.org/en/council/op-procedures-01sep16-en.pdf>

“Each house will be allowed to nominate one candidate for GNSO Council Chair. Each house is responsible for determining how to nominate its candidate. A candidate for GNSO Council Chair does not need to be a member of a house, but must be a current or incoming member of the GNSO Council. Should the Chair be elected from outside of the houses, that Chair will be a non-voting Chair’.

Further, should the non-voting Nominating Committee appointee (NCA) be elected as chair, he/she would be a non-voting chair. The two houses may, separately, select the same candidate from the pool if they so wish.

To allow for the possibility of a timely Council election process in Hyderabad, each house of the Council is asked to submit its nominee for the GNSO Council chair, for the term commencing at the end of the 2016 ICANN annual meeting, not later than 23:59 UTC on 7 October 2016.

House nominations for Council Chair should be sent to gns0.secretariat@gns0.icann.org. The GNSO Secretariat will transmit each House’s nomination to the Council list as soon as it is received.

Nominees shall submit a candidacy statement in writing to the GNSO Secretariat (gns0.secretariat@gns0.icann.org), as soon as possible after they have been selected by their house, and not later than 23:59 UTC on 20 October 2016.

Procedure in Hyderabad –November 2016

Each candidate will have the opportunity of meeting with Council Members during the GNSO working sessions in Hyderabad 2016 (remote participation possible).

Election of the chair by voting of the Council will take place during the Council meeting in Hyderabad on Monday, 7 November 2016.

In order for the vote to take place, the Council meeting will be split in two parts:

- Standard, open and public Council meeting with the current Council.
- Adjourn the meeting
- Re-seat the Council with the new Councilors.
- Re-start new meeting, with one specific agenda item: Election of the Chair

The current chair term ends at end of 2016 Annual General Meeting (AGM). The current Chair will therefore run the public council meeting, the chair election and the GNSO wrap-up session. The new Chair's first meeting will be the first teleconference immediately following the 2016 AGM.