Policy Development Process:
Transfer Policy Review

WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN73 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The working group will conduct one working session on Tuesday, 8 March 2022 at 10:30-12:00 AST. Please check the ICANN73 meeting schedule for the confirmed time. During the session, the working group will discuss topics within its charter and seek broader community input.

WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council **initiated** a two-phase policy development process (PDP) to review the Transfer Policy. This PDP is tasked to determine if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers. As recommended in the **Final Issue Report**, this PDP should address the following topics in sequence:

- The Gaining and Losing Forms of Authorization (FOA), AuthInfo Codes, NACKing transfers (Phase 1A)

- The change of registrant (Phase 1B)

- The transfer emergency action contact and reversing inter-registrar transfers, Transfer Dispute Resolution Policy, and ICANN-approved transfers (Phase 2) **Learn More**

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The working group held its first meeting on 14 May 2021. It has made substantial progress on deliberations related to the Gaining and Losing Forms of Authorization (FOA) and AuthInfo Codes, and is firming up recommendations for its Initial Report on these topics. The next area of focus is NACKing transfers. As it discusses each topic, the working group is taking into account relevant written input received from the Stakeholder Groups (SGs), Constituencies (Cs), Supporting Organizations (SOs), and Advisory Committees (ACs).

Request for an Issue Report → Publication of Preliminary Issue Report → Gather Public Comments → Publication of Final Issue Report → Initiate Policy Development Process → Form Working Group (WG) → Request for SG/C Statements & SO/AC Input → **WG Initial Report**

POLICY → Implementation → Board Vote → Gather Public Comments → Recommendation to ICANN Board → GNSO Council Deliberates → WG Final Report → Gather Public Comments

WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?
The working group will continue to work on draft responses to charter questions and recommendations, which will be compiled into an Initial Report. The Initial Report will be published for public comment.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?
Parties interested in the Transfer Policy Review PDP should coordinate with the members assigned by the respective SG, C, SO, or AC to stay current and to communicate any input they believe may be useful to the Transfer Policy Review PDP's deliberations. Interested parties can also follow the working group's progress by signing up as an observer.

MORE INFORMATION

- **PDP webpage**

- **PDP workspace**

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