



# ICANN Policy Update Webinar

Policy Department, March 2012



# Introduction

*David Olive*

# Goals for this session



- Update you on current Policy work and encourage you to participate
- Review issues to be discussed at the ICANN Meeting in Costa Rica
- Inform you of upcoming initiatives and opportunities to provide input
- Answer any questions you might have

# ICANN Meeting in Costa Rica



- Highlights include:
  - Newcomers Track Day
  - RAA Amendments
  - WHOIS Review
  - Consumer Choice, Competition and Trust
  - Consensus Building Session: Tools and Best Practices (by Elad Levinson)
- Further information  
<http://costarica43.icann.org/> and  
<http://costarica43.icann.org/full-schedule> to see different tracks

# Policy Developed at ICANN by:



## ICANN Supporting Organizations

- GNSO - Generic Names Supporting Organization
- ccNSO - Country-code Names Supporting Organization
- ASO - Address Supporting Organization

## Advice provided by Advisory Committee

- ALAC - At-Large Advisory Committee
- SSAC - Security & Stability Advisory Committee
- RSSAC - Root Server System Advisory Committee
- GAC - Governmental Advisory Committee

# Topics covered in this session

## Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

- New GNSO Policy Development Process (Marika Konings)
- Status of completed, current and possible impending PDPs (Marika Konings)
- Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) (Margie Milam)
- WHOIS Update (Liz Gasster, Berry Cobb, Steve Sheng)
- Consumer Choice, Competition and Trust (Berry Cobb)
- Cross Community Working Groups (Julie Hedlund)
- Protection of IOC and Red Cross names (Brian Peck)

# Topics covered in this session

Country Code  
Supporting  
Organization  
(ccNSO)

- Update on Membership (Bart Boswinkel)
- Overview of Main Activities
- Joint Working Groups (DSSA, JIG)

Address  
Supporting  
Organization  
(ASO)

- Recovered IPv4 Post Exhaustion (Olof Nordling)

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One Internet

# GNSO Policy Issues



# Current issues being discussed in GNSO

- New GNSO Policy Development Process
- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)
- Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery
- Locking of Domain Names Subject to UDRP Proceedings
- Fake Renewal Notices
- Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA)
- WHOIS
- Uniformity of Contracts
- Consumer Choice, Competition and Trust
- Cross Community Working Groups
- Protection of IOC and Red Cross names for new gTLDs
- Others - currently there are over 20 projects underway



# Revised GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP)

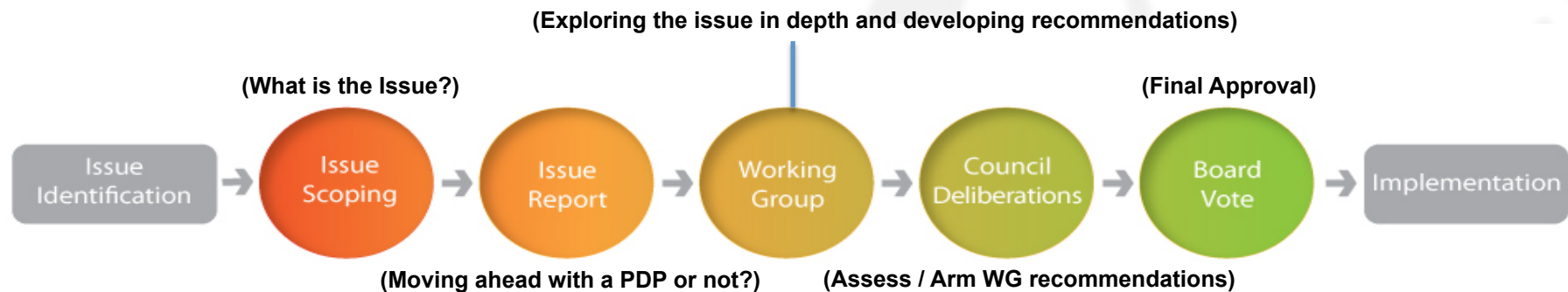
*Marika Konings*

# Background



- Board-mandated by GNSO Improvements effort
- Goal -- A new PDP that incorporates a working group approach and makes process more effective and responsive to ICANN's policy development needs.
- A revised Annex A and PDP Manual developed by GNSO WT and approved by the GNSO Council / ICANN Board
- In effect from 8 December 2011

# A High Level Overview



## Further details

Revised Annex A -

<http://www.icann.org/en/general/bylaws.htm#AnnexA>

PDP Manual -

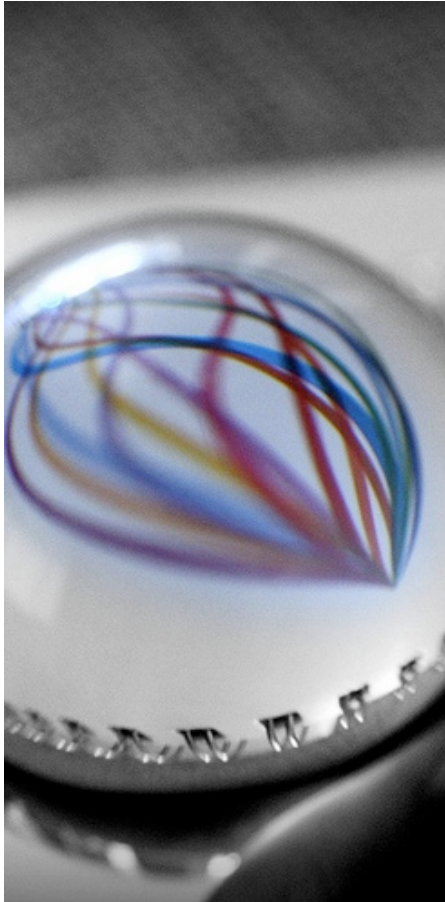
<http://gns0.icann.org/council/annex-2-pdp-manual-16dec11-en.pdf>

# How to get involved



- Detailed presentation of the revised GNSO PDP - Sunday 11 March from 9.00 - 9.30
- Submit your comments on further revisions to the Bylaws following the adoption of the revised GNSO PDP (see <http://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/bylaws-amend-gnso-pdp-10feb12-en.htm>)

# Additional Information



- Revised Annex A - <http://www.icann.org/en/general/bylaws.htm#AnnexA>
- PDP Manual - <http://gns0.icann.org/council/annex-2-pdp-manual-16dec11-en.pdf>
- PDP Updated Final Report - <http://gns0.icann.org/improvements/updated-final-report-pdpwt-28sep11.pdf>
- GNSO Improvements Info Page - <http://gns0.icann.org/en/improvements/>



# Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)

*Marika Konings*

# Why is it important?



- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP)
- Straightforward process for registrants to transfer domain names between registrars
- Currently under review to ensure improvements and clarification - nr 1. area of complaint according to data from ICANN Compliance



# IRTP Part B PDP - Status Update



- Following adoption by the Board, most of the IRTP Part B Recommendations are in the process of being implemented (update on status of implementation in Costa Rica - Saturday 15.00 - 15.30)
- Two recommendations, incl. staff proposals (WHOIS status messages & new provision on how to lock / unlock domain names) are now approved by the GNSO Council and will be considered for adoption by the ICANN Board

# IRTP Part C PDP Working Group

IRTP Part C to address three issues:

- a) "Change of Control" function, including an investigation of how this function is currently achieved, if there are any applicable models in the country-code name space that can be used as a best practice for the gTLD space, and any associated security concerns
- b) Whether provisions on time-limiting Form Of Authorization (FOA)s should be implemented to avoid fraudulent transfers out.
- c) Whether the process could be streamlined by a requirement that registries use IANA IDs for registrars rather than proprietary IDs.

# IRTP Part C PDP Working Group



- WG has reviewed comments received in response to initial public comment forum
- Set out approach for dealing with charter questions
- Started deliberations on charter question A - process for 'change of control', incl. a meeting with the ccNSO to obtain input on the experiences of ccTLDs with 'change of control' processes

# How to get involved?



- Join the IRTP Part C Working Group (see <https://community.icann.org/display/gnsoirtppdpwg/Home>)
- IRTP Part C Open WG Meeting -  
Wednesday 14 March from 8.30 - 10.00
- IRTP Part C Update to the GNSO Council  
- Saturday 10 March from 14.30 - 15.00

# 'Thick' WHOIS Issue Report



- On the recommendation of the IRTP Part B WG, the GNSO Council requested an Issue Report on 22 September 2011
- Issue Report to consider any positive and/or negative effects that are likely to occur that would need to be taken into account when deciding whether a requirement of 'thick' WHOIS for all gTLDs would be desirable or not
- Preliminary Issue Report published for public comment on 21 November 2011 (9 contributions received)

# Final Issue Report

- Submitted on 2 February 2012
- Report describes difference between ‘thick’ and ‘thin’ Whois, provides an overview of current situation of gTLDs as well as new gTLDs
- Provides an initial list of issues that should be considered to determine possible positive / negative consequences of requiring ‘thick’ Whois (e.g. consistent response; enhanced stability; enhanced accessibility; cost implications; privacy and data protection; data escrow; impact on existing Whois requirements) should a PDP be initiated

# Final Issue Report (continued)

- Also highlights other issues that should be considered should a PDP go ahead such as scope of the PDP, relationship with other Whois activities, resources
- Staff recommendation: the proposed issues are within the scope of the ICANN policy process and the GNSO. ICANN Staff recommends that the GNSO Council proceed with a PDP.
- GNSO Council to consider whether or not to initiate a PDP during Open GNSO Council meeting on Wednesday 14 March (14.00 - 18.00)

# Background Information



- IRTP Part B PDP Final Report - <http://gns0.icann.org/issues/transfers/irtp-b-final-report-30may11-en.pdf>
- IRTP Part C Final Issue Report - <http://gns0.icann.org/issues/issue-report-irtp-c-29aug11-en.pdf>
- Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy - <http://www.icann.org/en/transfers/>





# Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery

*Marika Konings*

# Why is it important?



- To what extent should registrants be able to reclaim their domain names after they expire?
- Issue brought to the GNSO by ALAC
- PEDNR WG examined five questions relating to expiration and renewal practices and policies
- Final Report delivered to the GNSO Council and approved in July 2011

# Recent Developments



- ICANN Board adopted the recommendations at its meeting in Dakar
- Recommendations provide additional guarantees to registrants; improve registrant education and comprehension; are in line with current registrar practices
- PEDNR Implementation Review Team formed to assist ICANN Staff
- Update on the status of implementation on Saturday 10 March from 15.00 - 15.30

# Further Information



- Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery Final Report - <http://gns0.icann.org/issues/pednr-final-report-14jun11-en.pdf>



# Locking of a Domain Name Subject to UDRP Proceedings

PDP

*Marika Konings*

# Why is it important?



- Following the recommendation of the IRTP Part B WG and the Issue Report on the UDRP, the GNSO Council initiated a PDP limited to the subject of locking of a domain name subject to UDRP Proceedings
- Currently there is no requirement to lock names in period between filing complaint and commencement of proceedings and no definition of ‘status quo’

# Recent Developments & Next Steps



- Drafting Team formed to develop a Charter
- GNSO Council expected to consider adoption of the Charter at the Open GNSO Council Meeting in Costa Rica
- Once adopted, a call for volunteers will be issued and a Working Group formed

# How to get involved?



- Join the Working Group once the call for volunteers is published
- <https://community.icann.org/display/gnsolockdomainnamedt/Home>





# Fake Renewal Notices Drafting Team

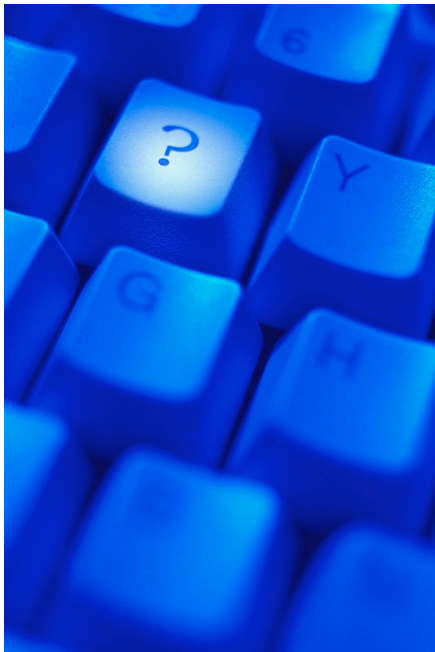
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# Why is it important?



- Fake renewal notices are misleading correspondence sent to registrants from an individual or organization claiming to be or to represent the current registrar
- Registration Abuse Policies WG recommended initiation of PDP on fake renewal notices
- Council decided to obtain further information on this issue to help inform its deliberations on whether or not to initiate a PDP

# Recent Developments & Next Steps



- Drafting team formed to prepare a request for information on fake renewal notices from the Registrar Stakeholder Group and report back accordingly
- DT conducted a survey to obtain input from registrars
- DT has reviewed survey results and is in the process of finalizing its report
- Report expected to be delivered to the GNSO Council in Costa Rica, incl. recommendations for next steps

# Further Information



- Attend the Open GNSO Council Meeting on Wednesday 14 March from 14.00 - 18.00
- <https://community.icann.org/display/gnsoplayerenewaldraft/Fake+Renewal+Notices+DT+Home>



# Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA)

*Status of Negotiations  
& GNSO Policy Work*

Margie Milam

# RAA Developments- Dakar Board Resolution

**Directed negotiations to commence immediately** - proposed amendments to be provided for consideration at Costa Rica

## **Negotiations to address:**

- LE RAA recommendations
- RAA-DT recommendations from the Final Report
- Other topics advancing the twin goals of registrant protection and DNS stability

# Two Projects- Parallel Tracks

## Bilateral Negotiations

## Issue Report Request

### Commenced Immediately After Dakar

- Working on timeline to meet Costa Rica Deadline
- Over 12+ meetings (face to face meetings, telephone calls, and consultations with law enforcement and GAC representatives)
- Community Wiki launched to keep the community informed and enhance transparency
- Status Report to be published prior to Costa Rica

### Board Requested GNSO PDP on “Remaining Issues”

- Preliminary Issue Report (Dec 12, 2011):
- Public Comment Forum (Closed Jan 13, 2012)
- Final Issue Report (Prior to Costa Rica)
- Commencement of PDP (Costa Rica)

# Summary of 12 LE Requests

No.	LE Recommendation
1.	Registrars should provide complainants with a well-defined, auditable way to track abuse complaints
2.	Prohibition of Certain Illegal, Criminal or Malicious Conduct
3.	Registrar obligation to collect, securely maintain and validate data
4.	Designation and publication of technically competent point of contact on malicious conduct issues, available on 24/7 basis
5.	Require greater disclosure of registrar contact information, information on business organization, officers
6.	Require greater disclosure of registrar affiliates/multiple accreditations
7.	Obligations of privacy/proxy services made available in connection with registration re: data escrow



# Summary of 12 LE Requests

No.	LE Recommendation
8.	If proxy/privacy registrations are allowed, registrars are to accept proxy/privacy registrations only from ICANN accredited Proxy Registration Services Resellers completely accountable to ALL provisions of the RAA. Registrars to contractually obligate Resellers to comply and enforce all RAA provisions. Registrar directly liable for any breach of the RAA a Reseller commits in which the Registrar does not remediate immediately. All Registrar resellers to be listed and reported to ICANN who shall maintain accurate and updated records.
10.	Verification of Data
11.	ICANN should require Registrars to have a SLA for their Port 43 servers
12.	To RAA paragraph 5.3.2.1, language should be added to the effect “or knowingly and/or through gross negligence permit criminal activity in the registration of domain names or provision of domain name WHOIS information”

# GNSO Council's Commencement of PDP

- GNSO to conduct the Board mandated PDP on an expedited basis on the “remaining issues”
- Since the negotiations are continuing, PDP may be expanded after negotiations conclude if other topics not satisfactorily addressed
- GNSO to consider prioritization of current work, new work
- Overlap of issues with current policy projects
  - WHOIS
  - UDRP
  - Best Practices
  - Uniformity of Contracts

# Additional Info & Next Steps

- Review the Preliminary Issue Report:
  - <http://gnso.icann.org/issues/raa/prelim-issue-report-raa-amendments-12dec11-en.pdf>
- Attend Costa Rica Sessions on:
  - RAA Amendments Update
  - WHOIS Verification
- Join the GNSO Working Group on the PDP on “Remaining Issues”
- Follow future developments on the RAA Negotiations Community WIKI:
  - <https://community.icann.org/display/RAA/Negotiations+Between+ICANN+and+Registrars+to+Amend+the+Registrar+Accreditation+Agreement>



# WHOIS Update

*Liz Gasster*

# WHOIS Topics

- WHOIS Studies - 4 studies:
  - “Misuse” of public data
  - Registrant Identification
  - Proxy/Privacy “Abuse”
  - Proxy/Privacy Relay and Reveal
- WHOIS Service Requirements Report - upcoming survey
- Other WHOIS activities

# Goals of gTLD WHOIS studies



- WHOIS policy debated for many years
- GNSO Council decided in October 2007 that study data was needed to provide objective, factual basis for future policy making
- Identified several WHOIS study areas that reflect key policy concerns
- Asked staff to determine costs and feasibility of conducting those studies
- Staff used an RFP approach to do so
- Studies are approved and are now (mostly) underway

# WHOIS Misuse Study

Study is assessing whether public WHOIS significantly increases harmful acts and the impact of anti-harvesting measures.

Two approaches :

1. Experimental: register test domains and measure harmful messages resulting from misuse
2. Descriptive: study misuse incidents reported by registrants, researchers/ law enforcement

**Cost:** \$150,000 (USD)

Awarded to Carnegie Mellon U., Pittsburgh, PA, USA

**Status:** Initiated in mid-2011

**Time estimate:** initial results in early 2013

# Registrant Identification Study

- Study is examining info about how domain name registrants are identified and classifying various types of entities that register domains, including natural persons, various types of legal persons and Privacy and Proxy service providers.
- Study has been recast as an “exploratory” data-gathering effort that is not hypothesis-driven. This will also provide more consistency with related GAC proposals offered in 2008.

**Cost:** approx. \$180,000 (USD) (revised due to change in study terms). Awarded to NORC at the U. of Chicago.

**Time estimate:** 1 year

**Status:** Launched late October 2011, target initial results in late 2012



# Privacy and Proxy “Abuse” Study

This study will compare a broad sample of Privacy & Proxy-registered domains associated with alleged harmful acts to assess:

1. How often bad actors try to obscure identity in WHOIS
2. How this rate of abuse compares to overall P/P use
3. How this rate compares to alternatives like falsified WHOIS data, compromised machines, and free web hosting

**Cost:** \$180,000 (USD)

**Time estimate:** 1 year

**Status:** GNSO Council approved on 28 April 2011, contract delayed, now being finalized.

# WHOIS P/P Relay & Reveal Study

The original study would analyze communication relay and identity reveal requests sent for Privacy & Proxy-registered domains:

1. To explore and document how they are processed, and
2. To identify factors that may promote or impede timely communication and resolution.

Potential bidders were unsure of the feasibility of this study, especially obtaining a sufficient data sample, so the Council opted to conduct a pre-study to survey potential participants to determine if launching a full study is feasible to do.

**Cost:** \$80,000 (USD) for Pre-study Survey

Awarded to Interisle Consulting

**Status:** Launched in September, initial results in expected in March 2012



WHOIS Service  
Requirements Report  
- upcoming survey by  
WSWG

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*Berry Cobb*



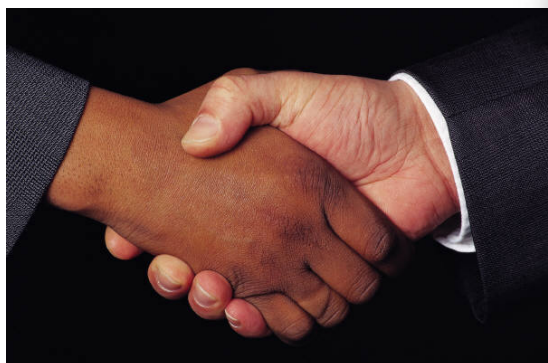
# Survey Background

- May 2009 -- The GNSO Council asked Policy Staff to compile a comprehensive set of potential ***technical*** “requirements” for WHOIS service that reflect not only known deficiencies in the current service but also technical requirements that may be needed to support various ***policy*** initiatives that have been suggested in the past.
- Final Report released 29 July 2010
- In 2011 the GNSO Council convened a Working Group to develop a survey to try to estimate the level of agreement with various “requirements” among the GNSO community.

## Examples--survey will include:

- Mechanism to find authoritative Whois servers
- Standardized query structure
- Well-defined schema for replies
- Standardized error messages
- History of domain registration data
- Internationalized registration data

# Why is the survey important?



- Will help estimate the level of agreement with various “requirements” among the GNSO community
- Offers the community a voice as to technical features of a future WHOIS system
- Analysis & Report may be useful for IETF protocol efforts
- The survey is a technical inventory and does not define or suggest the policies or operational rules that should apply

# Recent Developments



- The WSWG has identified the survey tool platform and question types
- Version 7 of the survey draft completed referencing the Inventory Service Requirements Report (<http://gnso.icann.org/issues/whois/whois-service-requirements-final-report-29jul10-en.pdf>)
  - 13 Requirements forming 63 total questions

# Next steps



- Working Group edit and testing of survey
- Submit draft survey to GNSO Council & Public Comment
- Conduct webinars for SO/ACs
- Create proposed final draft
- Submit for independent review
- Release survey for 30 days
- Analyze results and publish Final Report



# Other pending WHOIS Activities

- WHOIS Review Team Draft Report - includes recommendations on data accuracy, privacy/ proxy services and internationalized registration data.
- Draft Roadmap to implement SAC 051 - includes a proposal to evaluate and adopt a replacement registration data access protocol that supports the query and display of internationalized registration data.
- Both are open for comments until 18 March.



# WHOIS IRD WG

*Steve Sheng*

# What is it?

- IRD-WG: Joint Working Group of GNSO and SSAC
- Study the *feasibility* and *suitability* of introducing submission and display specifications to deal with the internationalization of registration data

# Why is it important?

- Supporting IRD is an important evolutionary step for the WHOIS service
- No standards exist for submission and display of Internationalised registration data in directory services
- Current WHOIS implementations do not consistently support IRD and could lead to poor user experience and interoperability issues

# Issues IRD-WG considered

- Is it suitable to internationalize domain registration data?
- What data elements are suitable to be internationalized?
- Is the current WHOIS system capable of handling the query and display of Internationalized Domain Name Registration Data?
- What specifications are feasible to deal with Internationalized Domain Name Registration Data?

# Current Status & Next Steps



The IRD-WG working group has published its draft final report: <http://gnso.icann.org/issues/ird/ird-draft-final-report-03oct11-en.pdf>

The report will be submitted to GNSO and SSAC for approval and action.



# Consumer Metrics

*Berry Cobb*

# Why are consumer metrics important?



- In December 2010 the ICANN Board requested advice from the ALAC, GAC, GNSO and ccNSO on establishing the definition, measures, and three year targets for those measures, for competition, consumer trust and consumer choice in the context of the domain name system.
- If adopted by the future Affirmation of Commitments review team the advice will be critical to determining the success of the new gTLD program.



# Recent Developments



- GNSO Council formed the Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Working Group (CCTC-WG) to draft a letter of advice from the GNSO Council to the ICANN Board
- The CCTC-WG posted the Draft Advice in the Public Forum for Comment on 23 February 2012

# Draft Advice Letter - Definitions

- **Consumer:** Actual and Potential Internet Users, and Registrants.
- **Consumer Trust:** The confidence registrants and users have in the consistency of name resolution and the degree of confidence among registrants and users that a TLD registry operator is fulfilling its proposed purpose and is complying with ICANN policies and applicable national laws.
- **Consumer Choice:** Range of options available to registrants and users for domain scripts and languages, and for TLDs that offer choices as to the proposed purpose and integrity of their domain name registrants.
- **Competition:** Quantity, diversity, and the potential for market rivalry of gTLDs, TLD registry operators, and registrars.

# Draft Advice Letter -Metrics

## Consumer Trust

- Percentage of uptime for the registry and registrars
- Surveys to be conducted on consumer trust
- Number of alleged violations of proposed registry agreements
- Number and % of UDRP and URS complaints and decisions
- UDRP and URS violations by new gTLD registry operators
- Law Enforcement/GAC to report instances that raise concerns with new gTLD registries and registrars' compliance with applicable law
- Instances of domain takedowns related to claims of nationals or other claims (UDRP)

## Consumer Choice

- Transparency and clarity of offerings to registrants
- Number of new registrants versus existing registrants
- Choice for registrants to select among registrars and registries that are subject to differing national laws
- % of defensive registrations in new gTLDs, as determined by number of unique websites

## Competition

- Evaluate number of gTLDs before and after
- Evaluate number of suppliers before and after new gTLDs
  - Number of registry operators
  - Number of back end registry providers
  - Number of accredited registrars
- Evaluate market share of those suppliers before & after launch of new gTLDs
  - New entrants share of new registrations
  - New entrants among all registrations, including existing registrations

# Next Steps



- The Draft Advice letter and measures are in the Public Forum beginning 23 February 2012 for 40 days with a 21-day reply period.
- The CCTC-WG will hold a public meeting on Consumer Metrics in Costa Rica.
- May 2012: CCTC-WG plans to submit the final Advice Letter to the GNSO Council for consideration.

# Further Information



- Consumer Metrics Draft Advice Letter for Public Comment:  
<http://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/upcoming-en.htm#cci-wg>
- Consumer Metrics Wiki:  
<https://community.icann.org/display/CMG/Home>



# Cross-Community Working Groups

*Julie Hedlund*

# Why are CWGs important?



- CWGs address issues of common interest to other ICANN supporting organizations (SOs) and advisory committees (ACs).
- Even though CWGs have been used in several cases, concerns have arisen concerning their operations and coordination among their participating SOs and ACs.
- The GNSO Council is seeking principles to bring clarity and predictability for participants in CWGs.

## Recent CWGs



- SO-AC New gTLD Applicant Support Working Group
- Geographic Regions Review Working Group
- Internationalized Registration Data Working Group
- DNS Security and Stability Analysis Working Group



# Recent Developments



- **October 2011:** The GNSO Council approved a charter and the formation of a Drafting Team to define a way forward for the effective chartering, functioning, and utilization of CWGs.
- **January 2012:** The Drafting Team provided to the Council for consideration Draft Principles for CWGs.

# Draft Principles for CWGs

The Draft Principles address the following areas:

- Scope:
  - Possible Purposes; and
  - Relationship to Policy Development Processes (PDPs).
- Operations:
  - Formation, execution, and outcomes.

# Next Steps



- The GNSO Council will consider the Draft Principles at its meeting in Costa Rica on 14 March 2012.
- The Council plans to circulate and discuss these draft principles with the other SOs and ACs for their guidance and input.
- Once the Principles are approved they may be incorporated in the GNSO's guidelines for establishing Working Groups and in the formation of new CWGs.

# Further Information



- Draft Principles for Cross-Community Working Groups:  
<http://gns0.icann.org/drafts/draft-principles-for-cwgs-23dec11-en.pdf>



# Red Cross and IOC Names Drafting Team

*Brian Peck*

# Update on Red Cross & IOC Names Drafting Team

- In Singapore, Board authorized protection for specifically requested Red Cross and IOC names by placing a temporary moratorium on these names for the top level only during the initial application round for new gTLDs, until the GNSO and GAC develop policy advice based on the global public interest.
- GAC submitted a proposal in September 2011 to the GNSO Council to permanently protect these names as reserved names at both the top level and the second level.
- A GNSO Drafting Team is working on a charter to determine how to handle the protection of IOC and Red Cross names under the new gTLD program; and is currently discussing specific options to protect these names at the top level.

# Update on Red Cross & IOC Names Drafting Team (continued)

- Drafting Team continuing to meet on regular basis, appears to be coming to a consensus on recommending a proposal to the GNSO to protect IOC and Red Cross names as reserved names with some modifications to allow exceptions for certain similar strings (e.g. Olympus cameras, Olympic Airlines) which may be considered by the GNSO Council in Costa Rica.
- Much work needs to be done to reach consensus within the GNSO and with the GAC within a short timeframe before the Costa Rica meeting - however if no consensus in terms of policy advice to the Board can be obtained, these names are still protected for the first round by the Board Resolution.



# ccNSO Policy Issues

*Bart Boswinkel*



# ccNSO Membership

- To date 125 Members. Latest member: .PF ( French Polynesia)
  - 1 Application: .LT, Timor L' este
- Per Geographic Region:
  - Asia-Pacific: 37 members
  - African Region 28
  - Europe: 32
  - Latin America & Caribbean: 24;
  - North America: 4

# ccNSO Council

- 18 Councilors
  - 3 ccTLD's from all 5 ICANN Regions + 3 NomCom appointed
  - 4 Observers Regional ccTLD Organisations
  - 2 Liaisons ( ALAC and GNSO)
- Administrative role
  - Bylaws and Rules of the ccNSO
- Maintain Work plan of the ccNSO
  - Review of plan in Costa Rica
  - Additional features to look at volunteer capacity related issues

# Overview of Main Activities

- **Framework of Interpretation WG**
  - Joint WG ccNSO and GAC, liaisons ALAC and GNSO
  - Final Recommendation on obtaining and documenting consent
    - Published before Costa Rica meeting
  - Public consultation on obtaining and documenting support from Significantly Interested Parties (Local Internet Community or LIC)
    - Draft recommendations to be discussed in Costa Rica
    - Public comment open until 26 March 2012
  - Current work item WG: recommendations for un-consented re-delegations
  - Future work items
    - recommendations for IANA reports on delegation and re-delegation.
    - Glossary of Terms

# Overview of Main Activities

- **IDN ccPDP**
  - Overall policy
    - Confusingly similarity issues arising out of Implementation Plan
    - Update of processes taking into account experiences from Fast Track
  - Inclusion of IDN ccTLD in ccNSO:
    - Public comment on Recommendations and voting: no comments received:
- **Study Group on Use of country names**
  - Overview of policies available: completed in draft
  - Discussion typology of country names: Typology is refined. UNESCO will conduct pilot survey to test typology (post San Jose)

# Overview Main Activities

- **Finance WG**

- Focus: ICANN expenses attributed to ccTLDs and the underlying attribution method and propose methodology to calculate voluntary financial contribution to ICANN
- Current status: Survey on cTLD contributions to ICANN, results presented at San Jose meeting
- Finance WG is NOT representing the ccNSO or individual ccTLD' s

# Overview Main Activities

- **SOP WG**

- Focus: ICANN's Strategic and Operational Planning processes
- Current status: SOP WG Submission on ICANN's Fy 2013 Framework Operating Plan and Budget.
  - Submission available at:  
<http://ccnso.icann.org/workinggroups/sop-comments-fy13-ops-plan-framework-15feb12-en.pdf>
- SOP WG is NOT representing the ccNSO or individual ccTLD's

## Joint Working Groups ( DSSA WG)

- Joint DNS Security and Stability Analysis WG (DSSA WG)
  - Identify and Analysis of Threats and Vulnerabilities of DNS
  - Activities focus on analyzing threats and vulnerabilities: Use of NIST 800-30 (<http://www.nist.gov/itl/csd/risk-092011.cfm>)
  - Material of DSSA at:  
<https://community.icann.org/display/AW/Joint+DNS+Security+and+Stability+Analysis+Working+Group>

## Joint Working Groups (JIG)

- Joint ccNSO-GNSO IDN WG ( JIG WG)
  - Public comment on Universal acceptance of IDN TLD's until 23 March 2012
  - Call for volunteers: ccNSO secretariat to send out a call shortly
  - Joint ccNSO and GNSO Council to Board on Single character IDN TLD's
    - Reaffirming support for introduction
    - Questions on GAC, ALAC consultations and script issues



## ccNSO Agenda San Jose, Costa Rica

- Costa Rica ccTLD community meetings

Agenda:

<http://ccnso.icann.org/meetings/costa-rica/agenda.htm>

- Working groups and Council meetings

Schedule:

<http://ccnso.icann.org/calendar>



# ASO Policy Issues

*Olof Nordling*



# Background: RIRs, NRO and the ASO



APNIC



- What is an RIR?
  - Regional Internet Registry. There are five RIRs; AfrinIC, APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC and RIPE and they cooperate thru the NRO, the Number Resource Organization.
- What is the ASO?
  - The Address Supporting Organization, set up through an MoU between ICANN and the NRO.
  - One major task of the ASO is to handle Global Policy Proposals.

# Background: Global Policies



- What is a “Global Policy”?
  - The RIRs develop many regional addressing policies.
  - Only very few policies affect IANA and only those are called “Global Policies”.
- Global Policy Proposal in “pipeline”:
  - Recovered IPv4 Address Space, “Post Exhaustion”



## Recovered IPv4 “Post Exhaustion”



# How do I get involved?



- For all addressing policies: participate in the bottom-up policy development in an RIR of your choice.
- All RIRs conduct open meetings where policy proposals are discussed and all have open mailing lists for such matters.



# Participation and Engagement

*Filiz Yilmaz*



# ATRT Implementations: New Public Comment System in Place by 1 January 2012: Highlights

ALL Public comments now are consistent with

- Categorized/Tagged (ATRT rec 15)
- Have two cycles (ATRT recs 16&17)
- Comment: minimum 21 days
- Reply: minimum 21 days
- No comments -> no Reply period

This completes implementation of ATRT  
recs 15, 16, 17 and 21

# Going beyond the ATRT recommendations: Wiki Prototype Evaluation



The screenshot shows a yellow background with a blue border. At the top left, it says "Welcome to ICANN Public Comments!". At the top right, there is a "Test Site" button with a hand icon. Below the welcome message, there is a small image of hands and a paragraph of text describing the site's organization into Wiki Spaces (Open, Recently Closed, Upcoming, Archived Forums), a Topic Registration Space, a Help Space, and a Dashboard tab. A green box at the bottom contains a checkmark icon and text about logging in and signing up.

**Welcome to ICANN Public Comments!**

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✔ If you do not already have a Login to this site, please visit [How to Sign-Up](#). Once you are registered, you will be able to add comments and reply to posts as well enjoy other privileges.

- Been building the site since June 2011
- Wiki Site Opened: 21 Nov 2011
- Original Comment Period: 21 Nov - 11 Dec 2011
- Original Reply Period: 12 Dec - 30 Dec 2011
- Comment Period Extended: 6 Jan 2012
- Reply Period Extended: 20 Jan 2012

# Features/Functions for Volunteer Testing



- 1) Overall Site Layout & Navigation
- 2) Interactions (Discussion Threads)
- 3) Notifications & Topic Registration
- 4) Public Signup
- 5) User Help Resources
- 6) Overall Solution Usefulness & Viability

# Participation Statistics



- Volunteers Registered: 21
- Number of Contributors: 11
- Total Comments/Replies: 127

Anupam Agrawal	4
Celia Lerman	5
Cheryl Langdon-Orr	7
Chris Chaplow	22
Dev Anand Teelucksingh	31
Eduardo Diaz	32
Eduardo Santoyo	1
Hugo Salgado	7
Rudi Vansnick	5
Sebastien Bachollet	4
Yaovi Atohoun	9

## Next Steps



Reports to Exec Team and PPC  
on

Comments received

What is viable to implement

Cost/benefit analysis

Impact Analysis on ICANN  
departments

Ask for a GO/NO-GO decision

## In Costa Rica



PPC Consultation with the  
Community

Future ICANN meetings

ICANN Outreach Framework

ICANN Academy Proposal

Newcomers Lounge

Newcomers Tracks on Sunday

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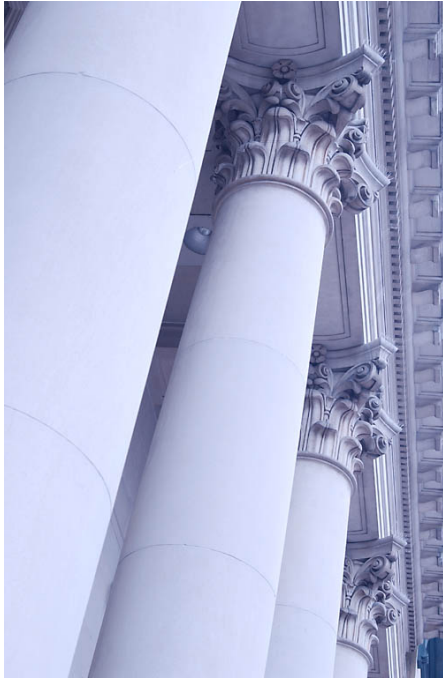
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