

## Pre-SPS Preparations

### Theme: Orientation

- 1) Review the report and materials from the 2021 SPS (see <https://gns0.icann.org/sites/default/files/policy/2021/presentation/gns0-council-sps-meeting-report-01dec21-en.pdf>)
- 2) Webinar Q & A Session to address questions related to the following topics:
  - Role of the GNSO
  - Role and responsibilities of the GNSO as a member of the Empowered Community
  - What is the GNSO Council and what does it do, including review of ICANN Bylaws Article 11 and GNSO Operating Procedures?
  - GNSO Policy Development Process, including ‘picket fence’ as well as other GNSO policy processes
  - Role of Council leadership
  - Role of the Council liaison
  - Role of GNSO Support Staff
  - See preparatory materials:  
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- 3) General information:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1USPwVrqqoDkfNPAauUxtaCdLh8Xo8LLF>  
(materials to be added)

**Day 1—Wednesday 14 December 2022**

**Theme:** Introductions & Induction

**Desired outcomes:** Building personal relationships and ensuring a common understanding of the role of a Council member as well as relationships with SG/Cs

Timing	Topic
8.30 – 9.30	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>
9.30 – 10.45	<b>SG/C Chairs introductions</b> 1) Brief overview of SG/C 2) How SG/C – Council member interaction takes place 3) Discussion – if/how should SG/Cs & Council improve their coordination (note, SG/C Chairs to participate remotely)
10.45 – 11.00	Email break
11.00 – 12.30	<b>The role and responsibilities of a GNSO Council member</b> 1) Are these well understood? 2) Are there gaps and/or concerns about the current role and responsibilities? 3) If/how do the Council commitments fit into this discussion?
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.30	<b>Council’s role as Manager of the PDP</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What information is the Council expected to consider / review before approving PDP recommendations (e.g. impact on human rights, operational impact assessment),</li> <li>○ What improvements have already been made to facilitate this consideration and what other improvements could/should be considered?</li> </ul>
15.30 – 16.00	Email break
16.00 – 17.30	<b>Team Building Exercise</b>
Evening	<b>Team Building Activity</b>

**Day 1 Required Reading:**

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**Day 2 – Thursday 15 December 2022**

**Proposed Theme:** Building bridges and fostering collaboration  
**Desired outcomes:** Identifying pain points and possible solutions with the goal to facilitate Council work but also relationships and engagement with the broader GNSO community

Timing	Topic
8.30 – 9.00	Arrival at meeting room
9.00 – 10.30	<b>Break out sessions – Identify opportunities for better coordination and engagement, both within Houses, Council as well as with the GNSO community</b>
10.30 – 10.45	Email Break
10.45 – 12.00	<b>Build on lessons learned from team building exercise &amp; breakout sessions to focus on how to encourage better coordination and fostering collaboration across houses, GNSO Council as well as GNSO community</b>
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch break
13.00 – 15.00	<b>GNSO Council meeting</b>
15.00 – 15.30	Email Break
15.30 – 17.30	<b>Council Meeting planning &amp; how to make most efficient use of time</b>

**Day 2 Required Reading:**

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**Day 3—Friday 16 December 2022**

**Proposed Theme:** Planning for the year ahead  
**Desired outcomes:** Common understanding of the work ahead and agreement areas of focus for the year

Timing	Topic
8.30 – 9.00	Arrival at meeting room
9.00 – 10.30	<b>Understand the Council’s current and future workload</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of ADR as well as current projects underway &amp; expected milestones</li> </ul>
10.30 – 11.00	Email Break
11.00 – 12.30	<b>Main opportunities &amp; challenges to delivering on this workload</b>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	<b>How to capitalize on opportunities and counter challenges</b>
15.00 – 15.15	Email break
15.15 – 16.30	<b>Strategic priorities for the year ahead</b>
16.30 – 17.00	<b>Wrap up</b>
From 17.00 onwards	Departures

**Day 3 Required Reading:**

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