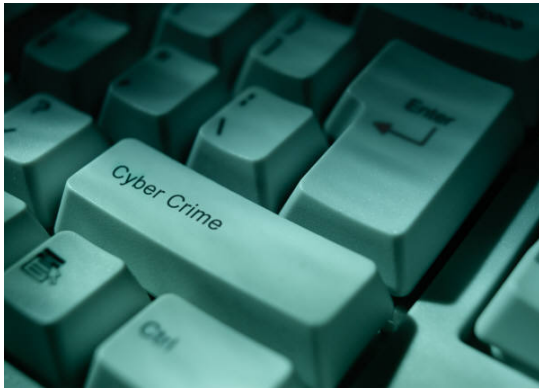


Discussion Paper on the creation of non-binding best practices to address the abusive registrations of domain names



Background



- In its Final Report, the Registration Abuse Policies (RAP) Working Group recommended 'the creation of non-binding best practices to help registrars and registries address the illicit use of domain names' .
- At its meeting on 3 February 2011, the GNSO Council requested ICANN Staff to prepare a discussion paper on this topic



Status



- Staff organized a workshop in Singapore to get community input on this topic
- Discussion paper submitted to the GNSO Council for consideration on 28 September 2011
- GNSO Council to consider next steps, including possibility of opening public comment forum



Discussion Paper



- Scope - considered within ICANN's mission and core values
- Considers issues such as:
 - What makes a practice a best practice
 - Identification and/or creation
 - Defining non-binding nature
 - ICANN's role
 - Resources and process
 - Maintenance, review, promotion and dissemination
 - Cost, benefit, funding, incentives



Discussion Paper (continued)



- Preliminary inventory of current or proposed best practices
- Proposed next steps:
 - Creation of a GNSO Working Group to establish the framework for best practices
 - Creation of a Cross-Community Technical Group to propose candidate best practices to address the abusive registration of domain names



Next Steps



- GNSO Council to consider whether to put out discussion paper for public comment prior to deciding on next steps
- Next steps should also include consideration of RAP recommendation on Meta Issue: Collection and Dissemination of Best Practices



Further Information



- Best Practices Workshop - Wednesday 26 October from 9.00 - 10.30 local time (see <http://dakar42.icann.org/node/26947>)
- Best Practices Discussion Paper - <http://gnso.icann.org/issues/rap/discussion-paper-rap-best-practices-28sep11-en.pdf>



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