Proposed time table for election of the GNSO Council Chair 2013

Nomination Process – September to November 2013

Per the GNSO Operating Procedures (Section 2.2.b):

"Each house will be allowed to nominate one candidate for GNSO Council Chair. Each house is responsible for determining how to nominate its candidate."

To allow for the possibility of a timely Council election process in Buenos Aires, 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 2013 ICANN annual meeting, not later than 25 October 2013.

Nominees shall submit a candidacy statement in writing to the GNSO Secretariat (gnso.icann.org), as soon as possible after they have been selected by their house, and not later than 23:59 UTC on 01 November 2013.

Note: A candidate for GNSO Council Chair does not need to be a member of the house nominating the candidate. 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.

House nominations for Council Chair should be sent to (gnso.icann.org). The GNSO Secretariat will transmit each House's nomination to the Council list as soon as it is received.

Procedure in Buenos Aires - November 2013

Each candidate will have the opportunity of meeting with Council Members during the GNSO working sessions in Buenos Aires on the weekend of 16/17 November 2013 (remote participation possible).

Election of the chair by voting of the Council will take place during the Council meeting in Buenos Aires on Wednesday, 20 November 2013.

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 2013 Annual General Meeting (AGM). The current Chair will therefore run the public council meeting, the chair election and Thursday wrap-up. The new Chair's first meeting will be the first teleconference immediately following the 2013 AGM.