

GNSO POLICY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

ISSUE

Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy Development Process – Part D

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES: The IRTP Part D Final Report was unanimously adopted by the GNSO Council on 15 October 2014. Following that, the recommendations have been posted for [public comment](#) prior to consideration by the ICANN Board and [notification](#) was provided to the GAC which has been requested to provide input if it believes public policy issues are raised by recommendations. The ICANN Board is expected to consider the IRTP Part D recommendations during ICANN 52 in Singapore.

SUMMARY

The Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy (IRTP) is a consensus policy that provides a straightforward procedure for domain name holders to transfer domain names between registrars. An overall review of this policy started in 2007 and the final effort, IRTP Part D is under way since 2013. The WG's Final Report contains 18 Recommendations, including*:

- The statute of limitation to launch a TDRP be extended from 6 to 12 months;
- If a request for enforcement is initiated under the TDRP, the relevant domain should be 'locked' against further transfers;
- **Not to** develop dispute options for registrants as part of the current TDRP;
- That the TDRP be modified to eliminate the First (Registry) Level of the TDRP;
- The WG does **not** recommend the elimination of FOAs;
- The WG also recommended that, once all IRTP recommendations are implemented the GNSO Council, together with ICANN staff, to convene a panel to collect, discuss, and analyze relevant data to determine whether these enhancements have improved the IRTP process and dispute mechanisms, and identify possible remaining shortcomings.

*Please note that these are extracts from a non-exhaustive list, see [Final Report](#) for details.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY STATUS



The Public Comment Period closed on 1 December 2014 and a [Report of Public Comment](#) has been posted. The [GAC has been notified](#) by the ICANN Board to provide input if it believes public policy issues are raised by the IRTP Part D PDP Recommendations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Final Report: <http://gns0.icann.org/en/issues/transfers/irtp-d-final-25sep14-en.pdf>
- Public Comment: <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/report-comments-irtp-d-recommendations-12dec14-en.pdf>
- GNSO Council Resolution: <http://gns0.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#20141015-1>