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Dear Colleagues,

GNSO Work on Policy and Implementation in the ICANN Context

As you may be aware, the GNSO Community has been closely following the discussions on "policy vs. implementation", including the staff paper that was published earlier this year and the panel session that was held at the ICANN meeting in Beijing.

From a GNSO Council perspective, the time has now come to now move from discussion to action. Therefore, we are intending to form a drafting team to develop a charter for a Working Group to further explore the issues identified in the staff paper as well as in the subsequent discussions. The objective of this effort will be to develop concrete recommendations that will provide further clarity and transparency for the different stakeholders involved when it comes to policy as well as implementation related discussions.

A formal call for volunteers will follow shortly (the drafting team as well as subsequent Working Group will be open to anyone interested to in participating), but I wanted to reach out to you directly to provide your community with advance notice of this intended effort and to provide you with the opportunity to share any comments or views you may have with us.

We would like to emphasize that should you or representatives from your SO or AC decide not to participate in this effort at this stage, there will undoubtedly be additional opportunities to provide input to our work since the WG is expected, as part of its deliberations, to solicit community input as well as request feedback on any recommendations it may develop.

Should you have any questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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