Update on ccNSO Process for Selecting ccTLD Operators to Participate in the NTIA/IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group

Most of you have no doubt been following developments on the steps being taken to transition the IANA stewardship functions away from the NTIA. On June 8, 2014, ICANN announced that it is creating a 'Coordinating Group' as part of the process to develop an IANA stewardship transition proposal.   The announcement stated that the Coordination Group will be comprised of 27 individual members who will be selected through their respective communities and processes and that four of these 27 places are reserved for ccTLD operators, both ccNSO members and non-ccNSO members, as selected by the ccNSO. Background on the issue and the text of ICANN's announcement can be found on its website.

When the ccNSO Council meets in London at ICANN 50, it will agree on a process for choosing these four individuals to participate on the Coordination Group. The actual process may be quite compressed given ICANN's wish to have all persons selected by July 2. If you are considering nominating yourself or someone else, or if you wish to remain abreast of developments, please watch the ccNSO website for updates.

Thank you

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