Minutes of the GNSO Council Admin Meeting 1 November 2017 – ICANN60

Agenda and Documents

Coordinated Universal Time: 10:15 UTC: http://tinyurl.com/yafrmhmm


The meeting started at: 10:20 UTC

List of attendees:
NCA – Non-Voting – Erika Mann

Contracted Parties House
Registrar Stakeholder Group: Pam Little, Michele Neylon, Darcy Southwell
gTLD Registries Stakeholder Group: Donna Austin, Keith Drazek, Rubens Kühl
Nominating Committee Appointee (NCA): Carlos Raul Gutierrez

Non-Contracted Parties House
Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG): Philip Corwin, Susan Kawaguchi, Philippe Fouquart, Tony Harris, Paul McGrady, Heather Forrest
Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG): Martin Silva Valent, Stephanie Perrin, Ayden Federline, Tatiana Tropina, Arsène Tungali, Rafik Dammak,
Nominating Committee Appointee (NCA): Syed Ismail Shah

GNSO Council Liaisons/ Observers:
Cheryl Langdon-Orr – ALAC Liaison
Ben Fuller – ccNSO Observer
Julf (Johan) Helsingius – GNSO liaison to the GAC

ICANN Staff
David Olive -Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support
Marika Konings – Vice President, Policy Development Support
Mary Wong – Senior Policy Director
Julie Hedlund – Policy Director
Steve Chan - Policy Director,
Berry Cobb – Policy consultant
Emily Barabas – GNSO Policy Support Sr. Specialist
Nathalie Peregrine – Manager Operations Support
Terri Agnew – Operations Support, Lead Administration
Ariel Liang - Policy Analyst, Policy Development Support

MP3 Recording

Transcript

Item 1. Seating of the 2017 / 2018 Council

1.1 – Roll call

After the roll call, Donna Austin, chairing Part II of the GNSO Council meeting, asked the incoming councilors to introduce themselves.

1.2 – Updates to Statements of Interest

Pam Little – SOI Registrars Stakeholder Group
Philippe Fouquart – SOI Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers
Arsène Tungali – SOI Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group
Tatiana Tropina – SOI Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group
Martin Pablo Silva Valent – SOI Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group
Ayden Férdeline – SOI Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group
Carlos Raul Gutierrez – SOI Nominating Committee Appointee (CPH)
Syed Ismail Shah – SOI Nominating Committee Appointee (NCPH)

1.3 – Review/amend agenda

There were no changes requested to the agenda.

Action Items:
- *Incoming Councilors* to ensure that their Statement of Interest (SOI) is updated.

Item 2. Election of the Chair

One nomination was received for this position, Heather Forrest from the Non-Contracted Parties House. The GNSO held a question & answer session with the candidate on 29 October 2017 during the GNSO Working Session.

There were no questions or comments from the floor.

As approved by the Council, the vote was conducted by a show of hands and Paul McGrady, participating remotely, voted verbally.

**Vote results**

*Heather Forrest* was elected unanimously as GNSO Chair for the one-year term ending at the 2018 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

GNSO Council vice-chairs were announced as Donna Austin for the Contracted Party House and Rafik Dammak for the Non-Contracted Party House.

*Donna Austin* congratulated *Heather Forrest* on being elected GNSO Council Chair and handed the chair back to her to continue the Council meeting.

Action Items:
- *ICANN Staff* to communicate the election of Heather Forrest as GNSO Chair to the ICANN Board, as well as post the results on the GNSO website.

Item 3: COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Update on the GNSO Council Strategic Planning Session

Heather Forrest presented the draft agenda circulated for input from councilors highlighting the three main topics to be discussed during the Strategic Planning Session:

- roles, scope, and remit, including council, council leadership, the liaisons, and the GNSO more broadly
- the GNSO Council in the Empowered Community and the council’s role post-transition
- strategic planning for 2018

Councilors expressed support for the agenda notably regarding the clarification of roles, responsibilities and processes in regard to the Empowered Community and the new ICANN Bylaws. Councilors also raised the need to discuss better time and workload management and in some cases accountability of Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Groups (WGs) and Review Teams (RT).

Item 4. Any Other Business

Michele Neylon and James Bladel congratulated the new GNSO Council leadership team and Jeff Neuman raised that Heather Forrest is the first GNSO Chair from the Non-Contracted party House.
Heather Forrest, GNSO Council Chair, adjourned the GNSO Council meeting and thanked everyone for participating.
The meeting was adjourned at 16:01 local time Wednesday 1 November 2017.
The next GNSO Council Meeting will take place on 30 November 2017 at 21:00 UTC
For other places see: http://tinyurl.com/ybcbm2ev