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# Welcome to ICANN66 from the GNSO Chair

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Dear Colleagues:

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) is hard at work preparing for ICANN66 and planning a full schedule of activities for the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM). On behalf of Council leadership and the entire GNSO Council, I welcome your participation in this meeting and look forward to our time together in Montréal. In addition to the policy development work that occurs at each ICANN meeting and between ICANN meetings, the GNSO will devote time to several key initiatives that I would like to bring to your attention.

Many of you have been closely following the work of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The EPDP Team held its first Phase 2 meeting in May 2019, and the scope of the Team's Phase 2 efforts includes discussion of a Standardized System for Access/Disclosure (SSAD) to nonpublic gTLD registration data and additional topics held over from Phase 1 of the Team's work.

To help inform its Phase 2 work, the EPDP agreed it would be helpful to develop and deliberate on a series of real-life use cases for individuals or entities requesting nonpublic registration data. Following several weeks of discussion on the use cases, EPDP Policy Support Staff used the EPDP Team's input on the use cases to distill common themes and principles, which were populated into a draft document called the "Zero Draft." During its face-to-face meeting this September in Los Angeles, the EPDP used the Zero Draft as a starting point to discuss building blocks for the SSAD. The EPDP Team is expected to use some of the building blocks to form its policy recommendations in its Initial Report. These building blocks include purposes for requesting nonpublic registration data, authentication, authorization, and accreditation of requestors, categorization of users, query policy, and acceptable use policy. The EPDP Team has been refining the building blocks and accompanying policy principles leading up to ICANN66 and will continue these discussions at the EPDP sessions at ICANN66.

In addition to the EPDP working sessions, GNSO community members may be interested in attending the plenary session on the status of the EPDP Team's Phase 2 work, which will take place on Monday, 4 November. Those interested in the implementation of the EPDP Phase 1 recommendations are welcome to attend the sessions of the Implementation Review Team (IRT) as it continues to discuss the draft gTLD Registration Data Policy.

The EPDP continues to provide an opportunity for the GNSO community to test improvements from the GNSO Council's Policy Development Process (PDP) 3.0 project.

Empowering the GNSO Council to serve its role as the manager of policy development, PDP 3.0 is a Council initiative aimed at introducing incremental improvements to enhance efficiency and effectiveness of the PDP working groups. Discussions started at the GNSO Council's pilot Strategic Planning Session (SPS) in January 2018, which led to development of a detailed implementation plan last year.

The GNSO Council has since been making progress on implementing fourteen (14) improvements from those discussions, with a small team of councilors taking the lead and meeting regularly by teleconferences. As of today, the GNSO Council has received proposed implementation documents for eight (8) improvements from the small team. In Montréal, the small team will provide an update to the Council on its work, as well as engage with the facilitator for evolving ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance project, Brian Cute, to further the dialogue on these two important, connected initiatives. In addition, the small team will hold a separate working meeting to make further progress on the implementation of recommendations and incorporate the feedback it has received.

Throughout the week, other GNSO working groups will also hold sessions aimed at making progress on their policy development efforts. The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group is finalizing its analysis of community input on policy recommendations contained in its Initial Report and Supplemental Initial Reports. It is also determining whether those recommendations should be modified for the Final Report. The Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All gTLDs PDP Working Group will review all preliminary recommendations identified for inclusion in its Initial Report for Uniform Rapid Suspension, Sunrise and Trademark Claims service, and the Trademark Clearinghouse.

In April 2019, the GNSO Council voted to approve recommendations 1-4 of the Final Report from the International Governmental Organization and International Non-Governmental Organization (IGO-INGO) Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms PDP Working Group. It also resolved to not approve recommendation 5 and directed the RPMs PDP to consider whether an appropriate policy solution can be developed that is generally consistent with recommendations 1-4. The GNSO Council has been working to amend the RPMs PDP charter to reflect the consideration of recommendation 5. After seeking input from the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) and IGOs, the GNSO Council expects to finalize the charter amendments at or around ICANN66.

The drafting team to Further Develop Guidelines for the GNSO's Roles and Obligations as a Decisional Participant in the Empowered Community is expected to provide the GNSO Council with the proposed guidelines for its consideration prior to ICANN66.

These guidelines are meant to complement GNSO existing processes and procedures, providing additional details or steps related to actions that the GNSO needs to carry out as a Decisional Participant. For example, the drafting team developed a guideline to assist the GNSO Council when it receives a petition from an individual to remove a Board Director. The guideline clarifies, among many other details, the Bylaw-required actions that the GNSO must take before the Council can decide whether to support the petition, as well as the eventual removal of the affected Board Director. The Council expects to discuss the proposed guidelines at its meeting at ICANN66 in Montréal, Canada.

In Montréal, the GNSO Council will meet on three days: Sunday, 3 November for an all-day working session; Wednesday, 6 November for its monthly Council meeting; and Thursday, 7 November for a wrap-up of the week's work and action items. Other sessions of interest for the GNSO community include joint meetings with the ICANN Board, the GAC, and the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO). These sessions serve as important opportunities for the GNSO to collaborate with other parts of the ICANN community.

Join us as we bring a productive year in the GNSO and GNSO Council to a close. I look forward to seeing you in the GNSO Council meeting in Montréal, at a PDP working session, or during other activities throughout the week.

**Keith Drazek**  
**GNSO Chair**

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# ICANN66 at a Glance

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ICANN66 is the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of 2019. The final meeting of the year, the AGM features a full six days of activity showcasing the ICANN community's work to a broader global audience. The AGM also includes time dedicated to Supporting Organization (SO) and Advisory Committee (AC) work, plenary sessions, as well as the Public Forum. The GNSO Council's public meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 November from 13:00 to 15:00 Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The Council's administrative meeting will immediately follow the public meeting and be held at 15:15-16:00 EDT, during which the next GNSO Chair will be elected.

The GNSO Policy Support Team has developed this briefing document to help community members prepare for ICANN66. It provides an overview of the status of GNSO PDP working groups and teams, as well as information about other GNSO policy-related activities, including GNSO co-chartered Cross-Community Working Groups (CCWG) and PDP Implementation Review Teams (IRTs). The document includes links for additional background reading that will help you prepare for sessions in Montréal and support active participation by all attendees.

Newcomers to ICANN and the GNSO may be interested in online learning opportunities that will further help them make the most of the upcoming meeting. We highly recommend taking the **Introduction to the GNSO** course on **ICANN Learn**. The course will make it easier to navigate through the structure and content of this Policy Briefing with a better understanding of PDPs. All are encouraged to enroll.

Please note that any reference to meeting times in this document is provisional. Please consult the ICANN meeting schedule for the latest information.

## ICANN66 MEETING INFORMATION

- Meeting page: <https://meetings.icann.org/en/montreal66>
- Schedule: <https://schedule.icann.org/>
- Register for ICANN66: <https://registration.icann.org/>
- General remote participation info: <https://meetings.icann.org/en/remote-participation>
- GNSO session remote participation details: <http://go.icann.org/gnsoremote>
- Expected standard of behavior: <https://go.icann.org/2ChDUjG>

## GNSO RELATED INFORMATION

- GNSO one-stop shop for ICANN66: <https://gnso.icann.org/en/icannmeeting>
- Project list: <https://gnso.icann.org/en/council/project>

If you have any questions about or suggestions for this Policy Briefing or GNSO policy activities, please contact us at [policy-staff@ICANN.org](mailto:policy-staff@ICANN.org). Safe travels to those traveling to Montréal and we look forward to a productive meeting.

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# Register for the Pre-ICANN66 GNSO Policy Webinar

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The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Policy Support Team is pleased to announce a Pre-ICANN66 GNSO Policy webinar. It will be held on Thursday, 17 October for 90 minutes, at 12:00-13:30 UTC.

**PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE GNSO POLICY WEBINAR HERE:**

<http://go.icann.org/prepweeksignup>

The goal of the webinar is to enhance your preparation of the ICANN66 and facilitate your engagement in ICANN's policy development activities. The leaders of major GNSO PDP working groups will provide an in-depth review of their topics, current issues being discussed, and what to expect at ICANN66.

This webinar will offer participants an opportunity to ask questions about policy development work. A question-and-answer exchange will follow each working group presentation. To optimize your participation at the webinar, read the Pre-ICANN66 GNSO Policy Briefing and bring your questions!

This webinar will complement the Pre-ICANN66 Policy webinar, which provides a high-level overview of the activities of all Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees.

The GNSO Policy Development Support Team looks forward to your participation!

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# Expedited Policy Development Process: Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data - Phase 2

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team currently has four sessions scheduled at ICANN66: Saturday, 2 November from 08:30-18:30 (EDT), Sunday, 3 November from 17:00-18:30 (EDT), Monday, 4 November from 15:15-18:30 (local time), and Thursday, 7 November from 13:30-15:00 (EDT). In addition, a plenary session has been scheduled for Monday 4 November from 10:30-12:00 (EDT).

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

On 17 May 2018, the ICANN Board approved the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The Board took this action to establish temporary requirements for how ICANN and its contracted parties would continue to comply with existing ICANN contractual requirements and community-developed policies related to WHOIS, while also complying with the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The Temporary Specification has been adopted under the procedure for Temporary Policies outlined in the Registry Agreement (RA) and Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA).

Following adoption of the Temporary Specification, the Board “shall immediately implement the Consensus Policy development process set forth in ICANN’s Bylaws.”<sup>1</sup> This Consensus Policy development process on the Temporary Specification had to be carried out within a one-year period. Additionally, the scope included discussion of a standardized access system to nonpublic registration data.

At its meeting on 19 July 2018, the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council initiated an EPDP on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data and adopted the EPDP Team charter. The EPDP Team published its Phase 1 Initial Report for **Public Comment** on 21 November 2018. The EPDP Team incorporated public comments into its Phase 1 **Final Report**, and the GNSO Council voted to adopt all 29 recommendations within the EPDP’s Phase 1 **Final Report** at its meeting on 4 March 2019.

<sup>1</sup>See section 3.1(a) of the Registry Agreement: <https://www.icann.org/resources/unthemed-pages/org-agmt-html-2013-09-12-en>



On 15 May 2019, the ICANN Board **adopted** the EPDP Team’s Phase 1 Final Report, with the exception of parts of two recommendations: 1) Purpose 2 in Recommendation 1, and 2) the option to delete data in the Organization field in Recommendation 12. Per the ICANN Bylaws, a consultation will take place between the GNSO Council and the ICANN Board to discuss the parts of the EPDP Phase 1 recommendations that were not adopted by the ICANN Board. At the same time, an Implementation Review Team (IRT), consisting of the ICANN organization and members of the ICANN community, will now implement the approved recommendations of the EPDP Team’s Phase 1 Final Report. For further details on the status of implementation, [click here](#).

In conjunction with the adoption of the Final Report, the GNSO Council provided the required non-objection for the EPDP Team to commence its work on Phase 2 of the charter.

#### **WHAT IS THE SCOPE OF THE EFFORTS?**

The EPDP began Phase 2 of its work in May 2019. The scope focuses on the following:

- Discussion of a SSAD to nonpublic registration data.
- Issues noted in the [Annex to the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data](#) (“Important Issues for Further Community Action”).
- Issues deferred from Phase 1, such as legal vs. natural persons, redaction of city field, etc.

For further details, please see [here](#).

#### **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

The EPDP Team has been tasked with working on issues related to WHOIS registration data that the ICANN community has been discussing and trying to resolve for over 10 years.

#### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

The EPDP Team began its Phase 2 work by discussing a series of real-life use cases for entities who request access or disclosure to nonpublic registration data. Following the review of the use cases, the Team distilled common themes from the use cases to develop building blocks and policy principles of the SSAD on a variety of topics. Some of the building blocks, which the EPDP Team will use to form its policy recommendations in its initial report, include purposes for requesting nonpublic registration data, accreditation of requestors, categorization of users, query policy, acceptable use policy, etc.

The EPDP Team has been refining the building blocks and accompanying policy principles leading up to ICANN66. They also **met** in the ICANN's Los Angeles headquarters in September 2019 to further their work. They will continue these discussions at the EPDP sessions at ICANN66.

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

Following the EPDP Team's meetings at ICANN66, the EPDP Team will work to finalize its Phase 2 Initial Report, targeting December 2019 to publish the report. Please see further details **here**.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

In addition to the EPDP working sessions at ICANN66 (see above), community members may be interested in attending the plenary session on the status of the EPDP Team's Phase 2 work.

Those interested in the implementation of the EPDP Phase 1 recommendations are welcome to attend the sessions of the IRT as it continues to discuss the draft gTLD Registration Data Policy. The IRT sessions will take place on Wednesday, 6 November from 08:30-10:15 (EDT) and Thursday, 7 November from 08:30-10:15 (EDT).

You can become an observer of the EPDP Team mailing list on a read-only basis. Sign up here: <https://goo.gl/forms/iZg5JWHOnERsoEMl2>. The names of mailing list observers will be published on the **EPDP workspace**.

While participation on EPDP Team conference calls is restricted to appointed members and liaisons only, observers and other non-members are able to listen in real-time via audio cast.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- EPDP Phase 2 Building Blocks: <https://community.icann.org/x/k5ICBw>
- EPDP Phase 1 Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2E6DEbh>
- EPDP Phase 1 Final Report: <https://go.icann.org/2TNA63g>
- EPDP Webpage: <https://go.icann.org/2O8UTP6>
- EPDP Workspace: <https://go.icann.org/2LKujuF>
- EPDP Charter: <https://go.icann.org/2MsBAAx>

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# Policy Development Process: New Generic Top-Level Domain Subsequent Procedures

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group is set to meet on Saturday, 2 November 2019 and Monday, 4 November 2019. On Saturday, the working group is expected to begin consideration of the Final Report from Work Track 5, dedicated to the topic of geographic names at the top-level. On Monday, the full working group plans to continue the work toward developing a set of final recommendations. The working group will also discuss which topics might require additional Public Comment.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The PDP on New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures was initiated in December 2015 and chartered in January 2016. It aims to determine what, if any, changes need to be made to the existing policy recommendations from the 2007 **Final Report on the Introduction of New Generic Top-Level Domains**, such as:

- Clarifying, amending, or overriding existing policy principles, recommendations, and implementation guidance;
- Developing new policy recommendations; and,
- Supplementing or developing new implementation guidance.

It should be noted that the existing policy recommendations adopted by the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council and ICANN Board have “been designed to produce a systemized and ongoing mechanism for applicants to propose new top-level domains.”<sup>2</sup> Essentially, this means that these recommendations will remain in place unless the working group determines that changes are needed.

## WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

The New gTLD Program marked a seminal moment in ICANN’s history. In spite of great interest and over 1,000 successful TLD delegations, changes to existing policies and implementation guidance might be needed for future gTLD launches. The **Final Issue Report** and the working group **charter** identified a number of subjects that require analysis and potential policy development.

<sup>2</sup> GNSO Summary of Policy Recommendations: <http://gns0.icann.org/issues/new-gtlds/summary-principles-recommendations-implementation-guidelines-22oct08.doc.pdf>

### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE PROJECT?**

The working group started its work on 22 February 2016 and began deliberations on a set of six overarching or foundational subjects. It established four work tracks to address the remaining subjects identified in the charter. After completing preliminary discussions on their respective topics and considering input received through public consultations (e.g. face-to-face meetings, Public Comment), the working group and work tracks developed preliminary recommendations and outcomes, and identified areas where they are specifically seeking community input. On 3 July 2018, the working group published its **Initial Report** for Public Comment, receiving a number of comments by the 26 September 2018 deadline. In October 2018, the working group published a **Supplemental Initial Report**, which considers topics additional to those found in its Initial Report. Now the working group has completed its initial review of public comments for both its Initial Report and its Supplemental Initial Report. Since ICANN64, the working group began the process of taking into account how public input might affect its final recommendations.

The PDP's Work Track 5 is devoted solely to the issue of geographic names at the top-level. Work Track 5 has a shared leadership model amongst the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), and the GNSO. Work Track 5 has focused on reviewing the existing geographic terms and their respective rules in the 2012 Applicant Guidebook (AGB) and considering whether they require modification. After completing the initial review of public comments for its **Supplemental Initial Report**, Work Track 5 has been deliberating on how public input might affect the proposed final recommendations it is seeking to submit to the full working group prior to ICANN66.

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

The working group will complete the determination on changes may be needed as a result of the public comments received. It will then concentrate on drafting the final recommendations for inclusion in the Final Report. In addition, the working group is considering whether an additional, limited Public Comment period may be needed for certain topics.

Work Track 5 is expected to have submitted its Final Report to the full working group prior to ICANN66 for its review and possible adoption. By ICANN66, Work Track 5 will have concluded its work unless the full working group refers its Final Report and draft recommendations back to it for further deliberation.

The working group hopes to coordinate timing so that a single unified Final Report, which includes the Work Track 5 Final Report, is delivered to the GNSO Council.

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

This working group is open to all participants. If you are interested in joining, please email [gns0-secs@icann.org](mailto:gns0-secs@icann.org). As the working group has already been in operation for a substantial amount of time and has progressed in its deliberations, newcomers are expected to catch up on the discussions to date and to not reopen previously closed topics unless new information is presented.

### MORE INFORMATION

- Working Group Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2Q2pnjd>
- Working Group Supplemental Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2BsFcuH>
- WT5 Supplemental Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2SxaXgA>
- PDP Webpage: <http://gns0.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/new-gtld-subsequent-procedures>
- Working Group Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/RgV1Aw>
- Working Group Charter: <https://go.icann.org/2G7BdUf>
- Final Issue Report: <https://go.icann.org/2Eoutkv>

### BACKGROUND

While the application submission period for the initial new gTLD round closed in June 2012, the GNSO Council continues to play a role in evaluating the first round and proposing policy recommendations for changes to subsequent rounds, if necessary. A **discussion group** was created to begin the evaluation process and identify areas for future GNSO policy development. Upon considering the deliverables of the discussion group, the GNSO Council requested a Preliminary Issue Report to be delivered by the ICANN organization. After incorporating public comments on its Preliminary Issue Report, staff prepared and delivered the Final Issue Report. Subsequently, the GNSO Council initiated the PDP and adopted the working group charter.

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# Policy Development Process: Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All Generic Top-Level Domains

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## **WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?**

The Review of All Rights Mechanisms (RPMs) in All Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLDs) Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group will be holding four open meetings on Saturday, 2 November 2019 (two 90-minute sessions) and Sunday, 3 November 2019 (one 90-minute session). Please check the ICANN66 meeting schedule for actual times and meeting locations. All community members are welcome to attend all the open sessions. The working group will be continuing its review of the RPMs covered by Phase 1 of this two-phased PDP.

## **WHAT IS THIS PDP ABOUT?**

This PDP is being conducted in two phases. Phase 1 covers all the RPMs applicable to generic top-level domains (gTLDs) launched under the 2012 New gTLD Program. These RPMs include: Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedure (TM-PDDRP); Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH); Sunrise and Trademark Claims services that are offered through the TMCH; and Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS) dispute resolution procedure. Phase 2 will focus on reviewing the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP), which has been an ICANN Consensus Policy since 1999. The working group is currently in Phase 1 and hopes to complete this stage of work by April 2020.

## **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

Community feedback on the RPMs developed for the 2012 New gTLD Program indicated a need to review their application and scope, especially if there is to be further expansion of the gTLD space. The 2012 New gTLD Program RPMs are mechanisms that have now been in use for several years. The UDRP is a long-standing Consensus Policy that has never undergone any substantial review. By the conclusion of both phases of this PDP, the working group is expected to have considered the overarching issue as to whether all the RPMs collectively fulfill the purposes for which they were created, or whether additional policy recommendations are needed. The outcome of this PDP is also intended to create a coherent and uniform mechanism for future reviews of all RPMs.

### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council initiated the PDP on 18 February 2016 and chartered the working group in March 2016. The working group began its Phase 1 work with reviewing the TM-PDDRP, which was completed in late 2016, and has mostly completed an initial review of the structure and scope of the TMCH.

By the end of ICANN63 in October 2018, the working group completed its preliminary review of the URS dispute resolution procedure, including the deliberation on a number of **proposals** from individual members and sub teams. It also completed a data collection exercise, involving **professionally designed surveys** of targeted respondent groups, to obtain both quantitative and anecdotal evidence that can assist with its review of Sunrise and Trademark Claims that are offered through the TMCH.

After ICANN63, the working group has been focusing on the review of the Sunrise and Trademark Claims services. In December 2019, two sub teams were formed to analyze all Sunrise and Trademark Claims related data that the working group has collected, with an aim to answer the agreed charter questions. The sub teams completed their data analysis before ICANN64.

Based on the outcome of the data analysis, the sub teams then focused on developing preliminary recommendations for Sunrise and Trademark Claims. They used the sessions at ICANN65 to finalize this work. Following the ICANN65 meeting, the working group endorsed the sub teams' **Sunrise and Trademark Claims recommendations** for inclusion in the PDP Phase 1 Initial Report.

Since August 2019, the working group has focused on completing the review of the structure and scope of the TMCH. The working group also deliberated on **additional proposals** for policy recommendations related to the TMCH. The TMCH review is expected to be completed just prior to ICANN66.

In ICANN66, the working group expects to discuss all preliminary recommendations identified for inclusion in the Initial Report for the URS, Sunrise and Trademark Claims services, and the TMCH.

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

The working group is aiming to publish an Initial Report on Phase 1 recommendations for Public Comment in January 2020. It will continue coordinating its timelines and work with other related efforts, such as the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP, and the Competition, Consumer Choice, and Consumer Trust Review.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

The working group is open to all. You may join as either a member (with full posting rights to the mailing list and the ability to participate in all meetings) or as an observer (with read-only status for the mailing list). Please email the GNSO Secretariat at [gnso-secs@icann.org](mailto:gnso-secs@icann.org) if you wish to join the group.

As the working group has operated for a substantial amount of time and progressed in its deliberations, newcomers are expected to catch up on the discussions to date and to not reopen previously closed topics unless new information is presented.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- PDP Webpage: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/rpm>
- Working Group Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/wCWAaw>
- Working Group Charter: <https://gnso.icann.org/en/drafts/rpm-charter-15mar16-en.pdf>
- Final Issue Report: <https://go.icann.org/2BvPivt>

### **BACKGROUND**

In October 2011, prior to the launch of the 2012 New gTLD Program, ICANN organization published a Final Issue Report on the current state of the UDRP. The recommended course of action at the time was for the GNSO Council to hold off from initiating a PDP until after the new URS had been in operation for at least 18 months. The GNSO Council followed this recommended course of action and staff published a new Preliminary Issue Report in September 2015 that covered all existing RPMs. The Final Issue Report that led to this current PDP was published in January 2016 and outlined the two-phased approach that was eventually adopted by the GNSO Council.

**Staff Responsible:** Mary Wong, Julie Hedlund, Ariel Liang, Berry Cobb (consultant)



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# Policy Development Process: International Governmental Organization-International Non-Governmental Organization Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms

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## **WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?**

The International Governmental Organization and International Non-Governmental Organization (IGO-INGO) Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group has completed its work, delivered its Final Report to the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council, and will not be holding any meetings at ICANN66.

The GNSO Council has voted to adopt recommendations 1-4 of the Final Report but elected to refer recommendation 5 to the Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All gTLDs PDP. After a small team of GNSO Councilors met with a team of Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) members at ICANN65, the GNSO Council hopes to adopt an amendment to the RPMs PDP Charter at or soon after ICANN66.

## **WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?**

This PDP was initiated in June 2014 by the GNSO Council to consider whether existing curative rights mechanisms at the second level of the Domain Name System (DNS), namely the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) and the Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS) dispute resolution procedure, should be modified to address the needs of International Governmental Organizations (IGOs) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs). IGOs and INGOs have highlighted certain difficulties they face in using these mechanisms to protect their names and acronyms.

## **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

Protecting the names and acronyms of IGOs and INGOs at the top-level and second-level of the DNS has been a long-standing issue over the course of the New gTLD Program. The GNSO had previously recommended certain protective measures to the ICANN Board. However, those recommendations did not address whether existing domain name dispute resolution procedures provided adequate protection for IGO and INGO names and acronyms. The GNSO Council tasked this working group to consider whether the UDRP and URS should be amended to resolve the problems faced by IGOs and INGOs (and if so, in what way), or if a separate, narrowly tailored dispute resolution procedure should be developed to apply only to IGOs and INGOs.

## **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

The working group submitted its Final Report to the GNSO Council on 9 July 2018. The GNSO Council resolved to accept the Final Report on 19 July 2018, though it did not take final action on the report at that time. The Council noted that it would seek to consider the topic of curative rights protections for IGOs in the broader context of the appropriate overall scope of protection for all IGO identifiers.

In the ensuing period of time, the GNSO Council continued to consider how it would proceed with the Final Report. In October 2018, the Council held a question and answer webinar to review the recommendations and to ask itself a series of questions concerning the process the PDP followed and the PDP's outcomes. The Council continued to debate and consider the best path forward through 2018 and early 2019, with a proposal put forth by Council leadership in December 2018.

The Council and Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) met prior to and at ICANN64 to discuss the Final Report. The Council and GAC had productive discussions on topics including the procedural options that the Council is considering. The GAC's ICANN64 Kobe Communique noted the GAC's "fruitful exchanges with the GNSO Council regarding the possibility of restarting the PDP on curative protections, under conditions amenable to all interested parties, including IGOs and interested GAC members, with a view to achieving mutually acceptable results [with] a timeline...associated with such a course of action."

Based on discussions and consultation with the GAC, the Council believed that it had thoroughly considered the available options. On 18 April 2019, the Council resolved to approve recommendations 1-4 of the Final Report and refer recommendation 5 to be considered by the Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP as part of its Phase 2 work.

On 16 May 2019, the GNSO Council confirmed the transmission of the Recommendations Report (relating to recommendations 1-4) to the ICANN Board. Shortly afterward, the GAC sent a **letter** to the GNSO Council, noting that the approval of recommendations 1-4 and referring recommendation 5 to the Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP is inconsistent with GAC Advice. ICANN organization conducted a **Public Comment** consultation process for recommendations 1-4 from 11 July to 20 August 2019.

Separately, a small team of GNSO Councilors met with a team of GAC members at ICANN65 to discuss possible next steps for recommendation 5. The GNSO Council agreed to prepare a draft charter amendment for the Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP and consult with the GAC prior to adoption. Prior to ICANN66, the GNSO Council has shared a draft amendment with the GAC.

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

The GNSO Council and GAC are expected to meet at ICANN65 to discuss next steps.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

The working group has concluded its Final Report and the GNSO Council has taken action on the recommendations. Therefore, the working group is no longer meeting at this stage.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- Working Group Initial Report containing the preliminary recommendations: <https://go.icann.org/2o1UbEZ>
- Public comment of the WG Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2C0tY2u>
- Working Group Final Report: <https://gns0.icann.org/en/issues/igo-ingo-crp-access-final-17jul18-en.pdf>
- Working Group Recommendations Report: <https://gns0.icann.org/sites/default/files/file/field-file-attach/council-recommendations-pdp-igo-ingo-crp-access-final-16may19-en.pdf>
- Public Comment proceeding for the final policy recommendations: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/igo-ingo-crp-recommendations-2019-07-11-en>
- PDP Webpage: <http://gns0.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/igo-ingo-crp-access>
- Working Group Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/37rhAg>
- Working Group Charter: <https://gns0.icann.org/en/drafts/igo-ingo-crp-access-charter-24jun14-en.pdf>

## **BACKGROUND**

IGOs and INGOs face certain challenges in fully using the UDRP and URS for a number of reasons. IGOs see the Mutual Jurisdiction requirement for both processes as jeopardizing their jurisdictional immunity status. For both IGOs and INGOs, the fact that the UDRP and URS were designed as protective mechanisms for trademark owners means that they cannot use these procedures unless they also own trademarks in their names or acronyms. Both types of organizations are also concerned about the cost involved in using these procedures, which means diverting resources and funds from their primary missions. The GAC has issued advice on the topic which the working group continues to take into account in its deliberations.

**Staff Responsible:** Mary Wong, Steve Chan

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# Implementation Status: Protections for Certain Red Cross Names in All Generic Top-Level Domains

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## **WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?**

Since a Public Comment proceeding will be taking place during ICANN66 Montréal, the Implementation Review Team (IRT) meeting will not hold a meeting at ICANN66.

## **WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?**

This section of the Policy Briefing should be read together with the following section entitled “Implementation Status: Protection of International Governmental Organization (IGO)-International Non-Governmental Organization (INGO) Identifiers in All Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLDs) Policy Recommendations.”

The Protection of IGO-INGO Identifiers in All gTLDs Policy Development Process (PDP) was completed in November 2013. Although the GNSO Council accepted all the PDP working group recommendations, the ICANN Board to date has approved only those recommendations that are consistent with the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) advice received on the subject. These recommendations have been subsequently **implemented** with a Policy Effective date of 1 August 2018. The remaining recommendations are still under Board consideration. These were the subject of a facilitated dialogue between the GAC and the GNSO at ICANN58 as part of a process to reconcile the GAC advice and the GNSO PDP recommendations.

Following that facilitated discussion, the ICANN Board requested that the GNSO Council consider initiating the GNSO policy amendment process in accordance with the GNSO’s procedures. The GNSO Council agreed to launch the policy amendment process and reconvene the original PDP working group. The working group developed a finite, limited list of specific names of 191 Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies as well as a limited, defined set of variants for these names.

## **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

The ICANN Bylaws contain provisions that outline specific steps to be taken by the Board in cases where it disagrees with either GAC advice or GNSO PDP recommendations. In this case, the Board elected not to trigger either of these processes when it only adopted those GNSO PDP recommendations that were consistent with GAC advice in April 2014 and requested additional time to consider the remaining, inconsistent recommendations.

The GNSO Council launched the PDP on the Protection of IGO-INGO Identifiers in All gTLDs in November 2012. The aim is to consider what the appropriate form and scope of protections would be at both the top-level and second-level of the Domain Name System (DNS) for the Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies, the International Olympic Committee (IOC), and other IGOs and INGOs. All these organizations perform important public interest or humanitarian work. Cybersquatting and related abuse of domain names identical or confusingly similar to their names and acronyms could significantly impact their missions and resources. The GNSO Council approved and the Board adopted part of the PDP outcomes, which included consensus recommendations that a limited list of Red Cross Red Crescent, IOC, IGO, and INGO identifiers be reserved.

For the International Federation of Red Cross Red Crescent Societies, these are “Red Cross,” “Red Crescent,” “Red Crystal,” and “Red Lion and Sun” at the top-level and second-level. For IGOs, only their full organizational names are reserved at the second-level. The appropriate DNS protections for many of the other identifiers associated with the Red Cross Red Crescent and IGOs – e.g., Red Cross Red Crescent National Society names, the names and acronyms of the International Red Cross Red Crescent Movement, and IGO acronyms – have yet to be finalized. The facilitated dialogue that took place between representatives of the GAC and the GNSO at ICANN58 was an attempt to reconcile the remaining inconsistencies between GAC advice and the GNSO PDP recommendations.

The GNSO Council’s vote in May 2017 initiated the policy amendment process only for specific names associated with the Red Cross. Discussion over IGO acronyms is ongoing.

#### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

The ICANN organization has worked with the IRT to produce an implementation plan that is now published for [Public Comment](#).

#### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

After the Public Comment period ends, a summary report will be published. The policy implementation plan will be revised per the comments received and published with an announcement for implementation. At this time, the contracted parties will receive a legal notice to implement with an effective date.

#### MORE INFORMATION

- “Consensus Policy on Protection of Identifiers for Red Cross Society” on the Public Comment webpage: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments#open-public>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/RJFCaw>
- PDP Webpage: <https://gns0.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/igo-ingo>
- Working Group Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/2YJEAg>
- ICANN Board resolution of April 2014 adopting the PDP recommendations consistent with GAC advice and requesting more time for the remaining recommendations: <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2014-04-30-en-2.a>
- GAC webpage listing GAC Communiqué advice relating to IGO protections: <https://gacweb.icann.org/display/GACADV/IGO+Names+and+Acronyms>
- Documents, meetings, and mailing list for GAC-GNSO facilitated dialogue: <https://community.icann.org/x/eoPRAW>
- ICANN Board resolution at ICANN58 requesting that the GNSO Council consider amending the adopted PDP recommendations pertaining to Red Cross names: <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2017-03-16-en#2.e.i>
- GNSO PDP Manual: <https://gns0.icann.org/en/council/annex-2-pdp-manual-01sep16-en.pdf>
- GNSO Council resolution initiating the policy amendment process: <https://gns0.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#20170503-071>
- ICANN Board resolution for Adoption of GNSO Consensus Policy relating to Certain Red Cross & Rec Crescent Names at the Second Level of the Domain Name System: <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2019-01-27-en#2.d>

**Staff Responsible:** Dennis Chang

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# Implementation Status: Protection of International Governmental Organization-International Non-Governmental Organization Identifiers in All Generic Top-Level Domains Policy Recommendations

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The Implementation Review Team (IRT) does not plan to meet at ICANN66.

### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

This section of the Policy Briefing should be read together with the previous section entitled “Implementation Status: Protections for Certain Red Cross Names in All Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLDs).”

The Policy Development Process (PDP) on the Protection of International Governmental Organization (IGO)-International Non-Governmental Organization (INGO) Identifiers in All Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLDs) was initiated to develop policy recommendations for the provision of protection for identifiers (e.g., names or acronyms) of certain IGOs and INGOs. These include the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (RCRC), and the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

The PDP working group completed its work in November 2013 and all of its consensus recommendations were **approved** by the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council. In April 2014, the ICANN Board **adopted** the PDP recommendations that were “not inconsistent” with GAC advice received on the topic, and requested more time to consider the remaining inconsistent recommendations. The adopted recommendations relate to protection at the top and second level for specific RCRC, IOC, and IGO full names (with an Exception Procedure to be designed for the affected organizations), and a 90-day Claims Notification process at the second level for certain INGO full names.

This project covers only the implementation status of the recommendations that were adopted by the ICANN Board in April 2014. It is not concerned with the ongoing policy amendment process for the remaining inconsistent recommendations (e.g., IGO acronyms and remaining names of the RCRC) or the deliberations of the ongoing PDP Working Group on IGO-INGO Curative Rights Protections.



### **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

Throughout the development of the 2012 New gTLD Program, issues related to whether certain international organizations (e.g., IGOs, the RCRC, and the IOC) should receive special protection for their names at the top and second level in the Domain Name System have been raised. In the PDP launched by the GNSO Council, the scope of organizations was expanded to also consider INGOs (other than the RCRC and IOC). All these organizations perform important public interest or humanitarian work. They have reported that cybersquatting and related abuse of domain names (e.g., domain names that are identical or confusingly similar to the organizations' names and acronyms) could significantly impact their missions and resources.

### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

On 16 January 2018, the implementation of the Consensus Policy for the Protection of Certain Specific IGO and INGO Identifiers for All gTLDs was published. As of 1 August 2018, implementation has been completed for the portion of the policy that provides protection by reserving full names for certain specific names of IGOs, the IOC, and the RCRC. For INGOs, the implementation period will be 12 months from the release of the INGO Claims Systems Specification which is currently under development by the ICANN organization.

In January 2019, the ICANN Board adopted the policy recommendation proposed by the Reconvened PDP Working Group on the Protections of the Specific Red Cross Red Crescent Names in All gTLDs. This IRT has increased its work scope to include that additional implementation work. This work is now reported under another project: Protection of Certain Red Cross Identifiers in All gTLDs (please reference the prior section in this Policy Briefing).

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

In coordination with the IRT, ICANN org's Global Domains Division (GDD) is working with the affected parties that require protection to implement the policy by claims notification and the reservation of the specific Red Cross Red Crescent names.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

If you wish to join the IRT, please contact the GNSO Secretariat at [gnso-secs@icann.org](mailto:gnso-secs@icann.org). As the IRT has already been in operation for a substantial amount of time and has progressed in its deliberations, newcomers are expected to catch up on the discussions to date and to not reopen previously closed topics unless new information is presented.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- Announcement of the Implementation of the Consensus Policy: <https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2018-01-16-en>
- Published Policy: <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/igo-ingo-protection-policy-2018-01-16-en>
- Public comment proceeding on the Proposed Implementation of GNSO Consensus Policy Recommendations for the Protection of IGO and INGO Identifier in All gTLDs: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/igo-ingo-protection-2017-05-17-en>
- PDP Webpage: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/igo-ingo>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/RJFCaw>

**Staff Responsible:** Dennis Chang (GDD)

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# Implementation Status: Registration Data Policy for gTLDs (Expedited Policy Development Process Phase 1 Implementation)

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The Implementation Review Team (IRT) will conduct a working session to plan for the stage 2 policy at ICANN66.

### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The ICANN Board adopted the **Temporary Specification for Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Registration Data** on 17 May 2018. The Temporary Specification provides modifications to existing requirements in the Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) and Registry Agreement (RA) in order to comply with the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). From its effective date of 25 May 2018, the Temporary Specification can only remain in force for up to one year and will expire on 20 May 2019.

On 19 July 2018, the GNSO Council initiated an Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data and chartered the EPDP Team.

On 4 March 2019, the GNSO Council adopted the EPDP Team's Phase 1 Final Report and submitted it to the Board for their consideration. The Board has conducted a Public Comment and passed a resolution on 15 May 2019 to authorize the implementation of most of the EPDP Phase 1 recommendations, except for parts of two recommendations.

Working in advance of the Board resolution, the IRT produced the concept of three stages of the policy implementation.

- Stage 1: Effective 20 May 2019, contracted parties must continue to implement measures consistent with the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data, as adopted by the Board on 17 May 2018.
- Stage 2: This stage will begin after the ICANN organization publishes a Registration Data Policy as a Consensus Policy and formally notifies the contracted parties. During this stage, contracted parties may implement the Interim Policy, the Registration Data Policy, or elements of both as they prepare for the effective date of the Registration Data Policy. The timing of this milestone is to be determined.

- Stage 3: Contracted parties must comply with the Registration Data Policy as of its effective date, which the EPDP Team recommended to be 29 February 2020.

The Stage 1 interim Consensus Policy named **Interim Registration Data Policy for gTLDs** was published on 17 May 2019.

#### **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

The Temporary Specification provides modifications to existing requirements in the RAA and RA in order to comply with GDPR. The recommendations from the EPDP Team provides community consensus views on the requirements that are now needed to be implemented as a consensus policy.

#### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

On 17 May 2019, ICANN announced the **Interim Registration Data Policy for gTLDs** which gTLD registries and registrars are required to implement by 20 May 2019. This interim Consensus Policy requires that contracted parties continue to implement measures consistent with the **Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data**, which expired on 20 May 2019. This is considered the Stage 1 interim Consensus Policy. The implementation team is now working on the implementation plan for Stage 2.

#### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

The ICANN Board accepted 27 of the 29 recommendations included in the EPDP Team's Phase 1 Final Report. Of the two recommendations not adopted in full, the Board identified portions of the recommendations that require further consultation with the GNSO. The IRT is in the process of analyzing all recommendations to define the requirements in detail. When the implementation plan is produced, it will be published for Public Comment.

#### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

One can join the IRT by following the instruction in the **"call for IRT"** announcement. The first IRT meeting was held on 29 May 2019. The IRT is expected to meet every other week via teleconference and in person at ICANN Public Meetings.

One can also choose to become an observer of the IRT mailing list on a read-only basis. The names of IRT mailing list observers are published on the **IRT Workspace**.

**MORE INFORMATION**

- EPDP Phase 1 Final Report: <https://go.icann.org/2TNA63g>
- ICANN Board resolution of 17 May 2019 adopting 27 of the 29 recommendations included in the EPDP Team’s Phase 1 Final Report: <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2019-05-15-en#1.b>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/display/RDPIRT>
- Interim Registration Data Policy for gTLDs: <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/interim-registration-data-policy-en>
- Call for Volunteers: Implementation Review Team for Registration Data Policy Implementation: <https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2019-05-20-en>

**Staff Responsible:** Dennis Chang (GDD)

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# Implementation Status: Privacy and Proxy Services Accreditation Issues Policy Recommendations

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## **WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?**

The ICANN organization, in consultation with the Privacy Proxy Services Accreditation Issues Implementation Review Team (PPSAI IRT), has paused the implementation of the Privacy and Proxy Service Provider Accreditation Program (PP Accreditation Program). The implementation is pending completion of the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Phase 2 work on a potential standardized access model for nonpublic gTLD registration data. No work will take place during the ICANN meeting in Montréal.

## **WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?**

A privacy service allows domain name registration in the registrant's name, but all other contact details displayed in the publicly-accessible Registration Data Directory Service (RDDS) are those given by the privacy service provider, not by the registrant. A proxy service allows the registered name holder to license the use of the domain to a customer who actually uses the domain, while contact information displayed in the RDDS system is that of the proxy service provider.

The ICANN org is implementing a new PP Accreditation Program, pursuant to policy recommendations that were developed by the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) PPSAI PDP Working Group, adopted by the GNSO Council in January 2016, and adopted by the ICANN Board in August 2016.

## **WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?**

The 2013 Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) contains a temporary specification that governs registrars' obligations with respect to privacy and proxy services. This temporary specification will expire on 31 January 2021 or when ICANN implements a privacy and proxy accreditation program, whichever occurs first. This extension is based on a [23 May 2019 agreement](#) with the Registrar Stakeholder Group.

## **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

The IRT is currently paused, pending completion of the EPDP Phase 2 work on a potential standardized access model for nonpublic gTLD registration Data.

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

ICANN org will continue to monitor the EPDP Phase 1 Implementation and Phase 2 policy development work closely. Following the completion of the implementation of the EPDP Phase 1 policy recommendations, ICANN org will re-evaluate if it is prudent to resume some implementation work for the PP Accreditation Program or continue the pause until the completion of EPDP Phase 2. After completion of relevant EPDP work, ICANN org will re-assess draft PP IRT materials in consultation with PP IRT, to determine how to proceed with implementation of the PP Accreditation Program. The project timeline will be revisited and updated quarterly on the ICANN.org [implementation status webpage](#).

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

The PPSAI implementation is currently paused. However, broad community input is encouraged during the Public Comment phase, when available. ICANN Public Comment can be found here: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments>.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- PPSAI PDP Final Report: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/raa/ppsai-final-07dec15-en.pdf>
- PPSAI PDP Webpage: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/ppsa>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/VA2sAw>

### **BACKGROUND**

The IRT began meeting in October 2016 and has reviewed the draft Registrar Accreditation Agreement and other associated program materials in preparation for the Public Comment phase. In proceeding to finalize the draft accreditation program materials for Public Comment, parallel efforts to monitor the EPDP Team’s work by the ICANN org became increasingly apparent. As noted in discussions since ICANN63, there is currently a significant amount of uncertainty around interpreting the data privacy requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) related to this type of proposed accreditation agreement. In its **02 November 2018** message to the IRT, ICANN org elaborated further on these areas of uncertainty, as well as areas where the IRT could benefit from the work of the EPDP, and continued discussions with the European Data Protection Board. After indicating ICANN org’s decision to pause the IRT on **04 March 2019**, the GNSO Council deferred to ICANN org in a **30 April 2018** message. In its response on **05 Sept 2019**, ICANN org confirmed that implementation work will remain paused pending the resolution of EPDP Phase 2. ICANN org continues to track the EPDP Team’s work for potential applications in the privacy and proxy context.

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# Implementation Status: Thick WHOIS Policy Recommendations

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The Implementation Review Team does not plan to meet at ICANN66.

### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

ICANN specifies WHOIS service requirements through Registry Agreements (RAs) and the Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) for the generic top-level domain (gTLD) registries. Registries have historically satisfied their WHOIS obligations under two different models, often characterized as “thin” and “thick” WHOIS registries. This description is based on how the two distinct sets of data are maintained.

In a thin registration model, the registry only collects the information associated with the domain name from the registrar. The registry publishes that information and maintains certain status information at the registry level. Registrars maintain data associated with the registrant of the domain and provide it via their own WHOIS services, as required by Section 3.3 of the RAA for those domains they sponsor. In a thick registration model, the registry collects both sets of data (domain name and registrant) from the registrar and publishes that data via WHOIS.

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council initiated a policy development process (PDP) to consider a possible requirement of thick WHOIS for all gTLDs. The PDP working group finalized its report and submitted it to the GNSO Council on 21 October 2013. The GNSO PDP working group recommends all gTLD registries to provide thick WHOIS services with a consistent labeling and display (CL&D). It would improve the stability of and access to WHOIS data, as well as potentially reduce acquisition and processing cost for consumers of WHOIS data. During its meeting on 31 October 2013, the GNSO Council unanimously adopted the recommendation to require thick WHOIS for all gTLD registries. Following the Public Comment forum and the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) notification, the ICANN Board considered and **adopted** the recommendations during its meeting on 7 February 2014.

### WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The CL&D of the Registration Data Directory Service (RDDS) Output for All gTLDs policy has completed implementation by the policy effective date of 1 August 2017.

For the Thick WHOIS Transition Policy for .com, .net, and .jobs, on 14 March 2019, the ICANN Board passed a **resolution** to defer contractual compliance enforcement. ICANN Contractual Compliance will defer enforcing the following milestones until the dates listed below:



- By 30 November 2019: The registry operator must begin accepting thick WHOIS data from registrars for existing registrations in .COM, .NET and .JOBS.
- By 31 May 2020: All registrars must send thick WHOIS data to the registry operator for all new registrations in .COM, .NET and .JOBS.
- By 30 November 2020: All registrars are required to complete the transition to thick WHOIS data for all registrations in .COM, .NET and .JOBS.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- PDP Webpage: <http://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/thick-whois>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/t77hAg>
- Public comment proceeding on CL&D Policy Proposal: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/rdds-output-2015-12-03-en>
- Public comment proceeding on Transition from thin to thick for .COM, .NET, and .JOBS: <https://www.icann.org/public-comments/proposed-implementation-gnso-thick-rdds-whois-transition-2016-10-26-en>
- Thick WHOIS Transition Policy for .COM, .NET, and .JOBS: <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/thick-whois-transition-policy-2017-02-01-en>
- Registry Registration Data Directory Services CL&D Policy: <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/rdds-labeling-policy-2017-02-01-en>

**Staff Responsible:** Dennis Chang (GDD)

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# Implementation Status: Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information Recommendations

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The implementation of recommendations from the Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group is impacted by implementation of the Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP), as well as the work of the Expedited PDP Team on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. No formal sessions are planned for ICANN66.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The continued internationalization of the Domain Name System (DNS) means registrations from registrants unfamiliar with Latin script are increasing. In October 2012, the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council requested an **Issue Report** to address whether it is desirable to translate or transliterate registration directory service contact information into one common language or script. In December 2013, the Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group was formed to provide an answer to this question. The working group was also tasked with determining who would carry the burden if mandatory translation or transliteration of contact information were recommended.

In its **Final Report**, the PDP working group did not recommend mandating the translation or transliteration of contact information data. Instead, it recommended that registrants submit contact data in any language and script supported by their registrar, ideally the registrant's native one. The working group also expressed that data submitted in a script and language native to the registrant is most likely to be accurate and that the costs of translating or transliterating all contact information data would be disproportionate to any potential benefits.

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT? WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?

The ICANN Board **adopted** the recommendations of the PDP working group in September 2015.

In late September 2017, the ICANN organization prepared a **draft policy document** for the IRT's review. This document is based on the entirety of the IRT's input received during the course of the implementation.

The implementation's projected effective date is to be determined. There are a

number of technical, logistical, and coordination issues that need to be considered before deciding on a policy effective date.

The most important issue is the implementation of RDAP, which is a requirement to implement the working group's recommendations.

#### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

The IRT is composed of members of the working group. Newcomers and interested parties are welcome to join as observers. To become an observer, send an email indicating your interest to the GNSO Secretariat at [gnso-secs@icann.org](mailto:gnso-secs@icann.org). As the IRT has already been in operation for a substantial amount of time and has progressed in its deliberations, newcomers are expected to catch up on the discussions to date and to not reopen previously closed topics unless new information is presented.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- Working Group Final Report: <https://go.icann.org/2GcQCCP>
- ICANN Board resolution adopting the recommendations contained in the PDP Working Group Final Report: <https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2015-09-28-en#1.b>
- IRT Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/0SeOAw>

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# Implementation Status: Generic Names Supporting Organization Drafting Team to Further Develop Guidelines for the GNSO's Roles and Obligations as a Decisional Participant in the Empowered Community

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## **WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?**

At ICANN66, the drafting team will meet with the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council during its working session on Sunday, 3 November. Besides presenting and providing details on the proposed guidelines, the drafting team will also conduct a Question & Answer session to help councilors get up to speed and to inform the Council's vote on the guideline approval.

## **WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?**

Following the adoption by the GNSO Council of the **revised GNSO Operating Procedures**, the ICANN Board adopted the proposed modifications to the ICANN Bylaws on 13 May 2018. There are additional proposed steps to be taken to ensure the GNSO Council is prepared, as well as to facilitate the GNSO Council to act in relation to its new roles and responsibilities outlined in the post-transition ICANN Bylaws.

## **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE PROJECT?**

In December 2018, a call for volunteers was made to reconstitute the drafting team to develop guidelines for the GNSO. Reconstituted in January 2019, the drafting team has been meeting bi-weekly.

The drafting team is tasked to develop guidelines that clarify additional details or steps related to a particular action to be completed by the GNSO that falls within its existing process or procedure. These guidelines are meant to help the GNSO effectively participate as a Decisional Participant in the Empowered Community (EC) in accordance with the post-transition ICANN Bylaws.

The drafting team has developed guidelines for the GNSO with respect to the following ICANN Bylaw sections:

- Article 18.12 Special IANA Naming Function Reviews (IFRs)
- Annex D, Section 1.3 Approval Action Community Forum
- Annex D, Section 2.2 Petition Process for Specified Actions and Section 2.3 Rejection Action Community Forum

- Annex D, Section 3.1 Nominating Committee Director Removal Process, Section 3.2 Supporting Organization (SO)/Advisory Committee (AC) Director Removal Process, and Section 3.3 Board Recall Process
- Annex D, Section 4.2 Community Independent Review Process (IRP) and Section 4.3 Community Reconsideration Request

#### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

Just prior to the GNSO Council meeting in October 2019, the drafting team expects to deliver the GNSO Council the proposed guidelines for its consideration. The GNSO Council expects to discuss the proposed guidelines in detail with the drafting team during the Council working session at ICANN66 Montréal.

The GNSO Council must approve the proposed guidelines developed by the drafting team, including any new or proposed modifications to existing procedures following the applicable process.

#### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

Noting that the work of the drafting team is nearly complete, the ICANN community is encouraged to follow the work of the drafting team. GNSO Stakeholder Groups and Constituencies may provide input via their representative members on the drafting team. Please see the list of members at: <https://community.icann.org/x/-JUWBg>.

#### **MORE INFORMATION:**

- Templates and Guidelines Depository: <https://community.icann.org/x/BYc2Bg>
- Drafting Team Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=102143482>
- Background Document: <https://go.icann.org/2SRnZ8g>

## **BACKGROUND**

On 27 May 2016, the ICANN Board adopted a set of new ICANN Bylaws that aim to reflect changes needed to implement the IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal. Such adoption was contingent on the proposed transition away from United States Government oversight of ICANN. Per the motion adopted by the GNSO Council on 30 June 2016, the GNSO sought volunteers for a Bylaws Implementation drafting team to provide the GNSO Council with recommendations for any necessary updates to the GNSO Operating Procedures or ICANN Bylaws as they relate to the GNSO. In addition, the GNSO Council requested that the drafting team determine what, if any, existing GNSO processes can be used to address any new or additional obligations. If there are none, the drafting team should consider whether an existing process can be modified, or a new process needs to be created. The GNSO Council adopted the revised GNSO Operating Procedures resulting from the drafting team's recommendations, and on 13 May 2018 the ICANN Board adopted the proposed modifications to the ICANN Bylaws. Subsequently, ICANN staff sought guidance from the GNSO Council to ensure their preparedness and facilitate the GNSO Council to act in relation to the new roles and responsibilities outlined in the post-transition ICANN Bylaws. At ICANN63 in October 2018, the GNSO Council agreed to issue a call for volunteers to reconstitute the drafting team. The goal for this drafting team is to develop guidance for the GNSO to complete a particular action that falls within the GNSO's existing processes and procedures relating to participation of the GNSO within the Empowered Community, but where additional details and steps are deemed to be helpful.

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# Cross-Community Working Group: New Generic Top-Level Domains Auction Proceeds

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## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN66 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The Cross-Community Working Group (CCWG) is organizing a working session at ICANN66, during which it expects to present its proposed Final Report. This meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 6 November from 17:00-18:30 (EDT).

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Program established auctions as a last resort to resolve the competition sets between identical or similar terms (strings) for new gTLDs, an issue known as string contention. Ninety percent of contention sets scheduled for auction have been resolved through other means before reaching an auction conducted by Power Auctions, ICANN's authorized auction service provider. However, it was recognized from the outset that significant funds could accrue as a result of several successful auctions. The proceeds derived from such auctions have been reserved and earmarked within ICANN until such time as the ICANN Board authorizes a plan for the appropriate use of the funds. These proceeds are considered as an exceptional, one-time source of revenue.

All ICANN Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) have chartered the CCWG to propose a mechanism to allocate the new gTLD Auction Proceeds. Following approval by the Chartering Organizations, the CCWG will submit its proposals to the ICANN Board for consideration.

## WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

The new gTLD Auction Proceeds, derived from these last resort auctions, are distinct and ring-fenced funds. The Auction Proceeds are a single revenue source derived from all new gTLD Auction Proceeds round 1. The proceeds, net of direct auction costs, are fully segregated in separate bank and investment accounts. The proceeds are invested conservatively with any interest accruing to the proceeds. Since June 2014, 17 contention sets have been resolved via ICANN auctions. The total net proceeds to date are \$233.5 million.<sup>3</sup> Details of the proceeds can be found [here](#). It is important to keep in mind that approximately 90 percent of contention sets scheduled for auction are resolved prior to the auction. The total amount of funding resulting from auctions will not be known until all relevant applications have resolved contention.

<sup>3</sup> Of the \$233.5 million USD in proceeds, \$133 million USD are proceeds from the .web auction. The resolution of the .web contention set is being challenged through ICANN's accountability mechanisms. \$36 million USD was allocated to the ICANN reserve fund. As of 30 June 2019, the net return on investment was \$10.5 million USD. Therefore, the total net auction proceeds as of 30 June 2019 are \$208 million USD, of which \$133 million USD are proceeds from the .web auction.

### **WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?**

On 11 December 2018, the CCWG published its Initial Report for Public Comment. The Initial Report set out the core issues that the CCWG addressed in carrying out its charter since its inception in January 2017. It recorded the CCWG's discussions regarding options around a mechanism to allocate the new gTLD Auction Proceeds in accordance with ICANN's mission and Bylaws. In addition to preliminary answers to the charter questions, preliminary recommendations, and implementation guidance, the Initial Report also identified a number of questions on which the CCWG was looking for community input. It should be noted that the responses to the charter questions contained in the Initial Report represented the CCWG's best current thinking at the time, but this is being revised in the Final Report as a result of the CCWG's thorough review of the community input received on the Initial Report. Similarly, no formal consensus call was taken on the preliminary recommendations outlined in the Initial Report. A formal consensus call is expected to take place prior to the finalization of the CCWG's report and recommendations for submission to its Chartering Organizations.

A total of 37 community submissions were received in response to the Public Comment forum. Since January 2019, the CCWG has been meeting regularly and has now completed its review and analysis of the public comments received to determine what changes should be made to the recommendations and responses to the charter questions in the report. Materials related to CCWG's consideration of public comments are available in the [CCWG Workspace](#).

### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

In the coming weeks, the CCWG plans to complete review of public comments. It will then finalize changes to the report and recommendations in view of submitting the report for consideration to the CCWG Chartering Organizations. At that stage, the CCWG will determine whether the changes are of such a substantial nature that another Public Comment period is warranted before the Final Report is submitted. The [CCWG work plan](#) for this final stage of the process can be found in its workspace.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

Anyone interested can join this effort at any time as a participant or observer. Please complete the [registration form](#) or email the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Secretariat at [gnso-secs@icann.org](mailto:gnso-secs@icann.org). If another Public Comment period is held on the proposed Final Report, everyone is invited to provide input (see <https://www.icann.org/public-comments> for further details).



As the CCWG has already been in operation for a substantial amount of time and has progressed in its deliberations, newcomers are expected to catch up on the discussions to date and to not reopen previously closed topics unless new information is presented.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- CCWG Initial Report: <https://go.icann.org/2GGoknr>
- New gTLD Auction Proceeds CCWG Workspace, including Charter, background documents and information: <https://community.icann.org/x/yJXDAw>
- CCWG Charter Question templates: <https://community.icann.org/display/CWGONGAP/Charter+Question+Templates>
- CCWG Work Plan: <https://community.icann.org/display/CWGONGAP/Work+Plan>
- CCWG Workspace: <https://community.icann.org/x/yJXDAw>

#### **BACKGROUND**

Following a number of sessions on this topic during ICANN53 in Buenos Aires (see <https://buenosaires53.icann.org/en/schedule/mon-soac-high-interest> and <https://buenosaires53.icann.org/en/schedule/wed-cwg-new-gtld-auction>), a **discussion paper** was published in September 2015 to solicit further community input, as well as the proposal to proceed with a CCWG. The feedback received confirmed the support for moving forward with a CCWG. The GNSO Chair at the time, reached out to all the ICANN SOs and ACs to ask for volunteers to participate in a drafting team to develop a charter for a CCWG. All ICANN SOs and ACs, apart from the Country Code Supporting Organization (ccNSO), responded to this request and have put forward volunteers to participate. The drafting team commenced its deliberations on Tuesday, 23 February 2016. A draft charter for community discussion was published in advance of ICANN56 and discussed during the **cross-community session** held at ICANN56. Following ICANN56, the drafting team **reviewed all the input** and updated the proposed charter accordingly. On 13 September 2016, **this proposed charter** was shared with all ICANN SOs and ACs with the request to review it and identify pertinent issues that would prevent adoption of the charter. Then a webinar was held on 13 October 2016 to allow for additional time and information to undertake this review. The final proposed charter was submitted to all ICANN SOs and ACs on 17 October 2016, and each ICANN SO and AC confirmed the adoption of the charter.

A **call for volunteers** was launched and the CCWG was chartered by all ICANN SOs and ACs to propose the mechanism to allocate the new gTLD Auction Proceeds. The Chartering Organizations are the Address Supporting Organization (ASO), the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), the ccNSO, the GNSO, the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC), and the Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC). Following approval by the Chartering Organizations, the CCWG will submit its proposal(s) to the ICANN Board for consideration.

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DAY 1: SATURDAY, 02 November 2019		
LOCAL TIME (EST)	MEETING	ROOM
08:30-18:30	Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team Phase 2 (1 of 5)	511C
09:00-10:15	Intellectual Property Constituency (IPC) [C]	512E
10:30-12:00	Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) Domain Name Association Board [C]	511A
10:30-12:00	Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns (NPOC) Executive Committee [C]	512E
12:15-13:15	New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group (1 of 4)	511A
13:30-15:00	New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group (2 of 4)	511A
13:30-15:00	RySG Domain Name Association Marketing Committee [C]	515C
13:30-15:00	Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC) Executive Committee [C]	512E
15:15-16:45	Contracted Parties House (CPH) Executive Committee [C]	512E
15:15-16:45	Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs PDP Working Group (Session 1 of 3)	511A
17:00-18:30	Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs PDP Working Group (Session 2 of 3)	511A
17:00-18:30	CPH Executive Committee Meeting with ICANN Staff [C]	512C
17:00-18:30	Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG) [C]	517C

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DAY 2: SUNDAY, 03 November 2019		
LOCAL TIME (EST)	MEETING	ROOM
08:30-10:15	Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers (ISPCP) [C]	511A
08:30-10:15	RySG Outreach Session [C]	512E
09:00-10:15	GNSO Council Working Session (1 of 3)	511C
09:00-12:00	CPH TechOps (1 of 3)	511A
10:30-12:00	Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG) Executive Committee [C]	515C
10:30-12:00	CPH TechOps (2 of 3) and Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) Working Group [C]	511A
10:30-12:00	RySG GeoTLD Group Planning Session	512E
12:15-13:15	GNSO Council Working Session (GNSO Council Meeting with the ICANN Board) (2 of 3)	511C
13:30-15:00	GNSO Council Working Session (3 of 3)	511C
13:30-15:00	NPOC Policy Committee	515C
13:30-15:00	RySG Public Interest Commitment Dispute Resolution Procedure (PIC DRP) Discussion Group [C]	515A
13:30-16:45	CPH TechOps (3 of 3)	511A
15:15-16:45	RySG Brand Registry Group Members [C]	515C
15:15-16:45	RySG GeoTLD Group Sharing Session	511C
17:00-18:30	RySG Policy Workshop	512E
17:00-18:30	Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data EPDP Team Phase 2 (2 of 5)	511C
17:00-18:30	Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs PDP Working Group (3 of 3)	511A

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<b>DAY 3: MONDAY, 04 November 2019</b>		
<b>LOCAL TIME (EST)</b>	<b>MEETING</b>	<b>ROOM</b>
<b>12:15-13:15</b>	Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) and GNSO Councils Joint Meeting	511C
<b>12:15-13:15</b>	CPH, IPC, Commercial & Business Users Constituency (BC) EPDP Teams [C]	512E
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	CPH Registry Agreement (RA) / Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) Amendment Discussion Group [C]	512E
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	PDP 3.0 GNSO Council Small Team	513D
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	RySG Domain Name Association General Session	511C
<b>15:15-16:45</b>	Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data EPDP Team Phase 2 (3 of 5)	511C
<b>15:15-16:45</b>	New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group (3 of 4)	511A
<b>15:15-16:45</b>	CPH Understanding RDAP Part 3	512E
<b>17:00-18:30</b>	Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data EPDP Team Phase 2 (4 of 5)	511C
<b>17:00-18:30</b>	New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group (4 of 4)	511A
<b>17:00-18:30</b>	RySG Domain Abuse Activity Reporting (DAAR) Discussion Group [C]	512E

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DAY 4: TUESDAY, 05 November 2019		
LOCAL TIME (EST)	MEETING	ROOM
08:30-09:30	ICANN Board and NCSG Joint Meeting	0517D
08:30-10:15	RySG Membership (1 of 2)	511
09:00-10:15	BC [C]	511A
09:00-10:15	IPC [C]	415A
09:00-10:15	ISPCP [C]	512E
09:00-15:00	Registrars Stakeholder Group (RrSG)	517C
10:30-12:00	CSG	511A
10:30-12:00	NCUC	514A
10:30-12:00	RySG Membership (2 of 2)	511C
12:15-13:15	RySG Working Lunch	511C
13:30-15:00	NPOC	514A
13:30-15:00	RySG Membership Meeting with ICANN Staff	511C
13:30-15:00	ICANN Board and CSG Joint Meeting	0517D
15:15-18:30	NCSG	514A
15:15-16:45	CPH	517C
15:15-16:45	IPC [C]	511C
15:15-18:30	BC	511A
15:15-18:30	ISPCP	512E
17:00-18:30	IPC	511C
17:00-18:30	ICANN Board and CPH Joint Meeting	0517D
18:30-20:00	GNSO Informal Council Session [C]	511C

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DAY 5: WEDNESDAY, 06 November 2019		
LOCAL TIME (EST)	MEETING	ROOM
08:30-10:15	RySG Domain Name Association Members Breakfast [C]	720
08:30-10:15	GNSO Registration Data Policy Implementation Review Team (IRT) (1 of 2)	514A
09:00-10:15	NCSG Policy Committee	512E
09:00-10:15	RySG GeoTLD Group .CITIES Conference (1 of 2)	511C
12:15-13:15	CPH Executive Committee Luncheon [C]	512E
12:15-13:15	CSG Closed Session with Appointed GNSO Board Members [C]	511A
13:00-15:00	GNSO Council Meeting Part I	511C
13:30-15:00	RySG Brand Registry Group Community Session	511A
13:30-15:00	CPH Child Sexual Abuse Material [C]	512E
15:15-16:15	GNSO Council Meeting Part II (Admin Meeting)	511C
15:15-16:45	RrSG Meeting with ICANN Compliance [C]	510
15:15-16:45	CPH Data Controller Roles and Responsibilities [C]	512E
15:15-16:45	RySG GeoTLD Group .CITIES Conference (2 of 2)	511A
17:00-18:30	New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross Community Working Group	511C
17:00-18:30	RySG Comments Workshop [C]	511A
17:00-18:30	CPH EPDP Team Meeting [C]	512E

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DAY 6: THURSDAY, 07 November 2019		
LOCAL TIME (EST)	MEETING	ROOM
08:30-09:00	CSG and CPH Joint Meeting [C]	511C
08:30-10:15	Registration Data Policy IRT (2 of 2)	512E
09:00-10:15	RySG Wrap Up Session [C]	511C
10:30-12:00	CPH Child Sexual Abuse Material Discussion Group [C]	511C
12:15-13:15	GNSO Council Wrap-Up	511C
13:30-15:00	RySG Domain Name Association Healthy Domains Initiative [C]	512E
13:30-15:00	Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data EPDP Team Phase 2 (5 of 5)	511C



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<b>AC</b> .....	Advisory Committee
<b>AGB</b> .....	Applicant Guide Book
<b>ALAC</b> .....	At-Large Advisory Committee
<b>APAC</b> .....	Asia and Pacific
<b>ASO</b> .....	Address Supporting Organization
<b>BC</b> .....	Business Constituency
<b>BRG</b> .....	Brand Registry Group
<b>C</b> .....	Constituency
<b>CC2</b> .....	Community Comment 2
<b>ccNSO</b> .....	Country Code Names Supporting Organization
<b>CCWG</b> .....	Cross-Community Working Group
<b>CCWP</b> .....	Cross-Community Working Party
<b>CL&amp;D Policy</b> .....	Consistent Labeling & Display of WHOIS Output for All gTLDs
<b>CPH</b> .....	Contracted Party House
<b>CSG</b> .....	Commercial Stakeholder Group
<b>CSAM</b> .....	Child Sexual Abuse Material
<b>DAAR</b> .....	Domain Abuse Activity Reporting
<b>DC</b> .....	Data Controller
<b>DNA</b> .....	Domain Name Association
<b>DNS</b> .....	Domain Name System
<b>DRP</b> .....	Dispute Resolution Procedure
<b>DSI</b> .....	Discussion Summary Index
<b>DT</b> .....	Drafting Team
<b>EC</b> .....	Empowered Community
<b>EDPB</b> .....	European Data Protection Board
<b>EPDP</b> .....	Expedited Policy Development Process
<b>EU</b> .....	European Union
<b>EWG</b> .....	Expert Working Group
<b>ExCom</b> .....	Executive Committee
<b>GeoTLD</b> .....	Geographic Top-Level Domain
<b>GAC</b> .....	Governmental Advisory Committee
<b>GDD</b> .....	Global Domains Division
<b>GDPR</b> .....	General Data Protection Regulation
<b>GNSO</b> .....	Generic Names Supporting Organization
<b>gTLD</b> .....	Generic Top-Level Domain
<b>HDI</b> .....	Healthy Domains Initiative

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<b>IANA</b> .....	Internet Assigned Numbers Authority
<b>ICANN org</b> .....	ICANN organization
<b>IDN</b> .....	Internationalized Domain Name
<b>IFR</b> .....	IANA Naming Function Review
<b>IGO</b> .....	International Governmental Organizations
<b>INGO</b> .....	International Non-Governmental Organizations
<b>IOC</b> .....	International Olympic Committee
<b>IPC</b> .....	Intellectual Property Constituency
<b>IRP</b> .....	Independent Review Process
<b>IRT</b> .....	Implementation Review Team
<b>ISPCP</b> .....	Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers Constituency
<b>NCPH</b> .....	Non-Contracted Party House
<b>NCSG</b> .....	Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group
<b>NCUC</b> .....	Non-Commercial Users Constituency
<b>Next-Gen</b> .....	Next-Generation
<b>NGPC</b> .....	New gTLD Program Committee
<b>NPOC</b> .....	Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns Constituency
<b>OEC</b> .....	Organizational Effectiveness Committee
<b>PDP</b> .....	Policy Development Process
<b>PICDRP</b> .....	Public Interest Commitment Dispute Resolution Procedure
<b>PP Accreditation Program</b> .....	Privacy and Proxy Service Provider Accreditation Program
<b>PPSAI</b> .....	Privacy Proxy Services Accreditation Issues
<b>PSWG</b> .....	Public Safety Working Group
<b>RA</b> .....	Registry Agreement
<b>RAA</b> .....	Registrar Accreditation Agreement
<b>RCRC</b> .....	Red Crescent Movement
<b>RDAP</b> .....	Registration Data Access Protocol
<b>RDDS</b> .....	Registration Data Directory Service
<b>RDS</b> .....	Registration Directory Services
<b>RFP</b> .....	Request for Proposal
<b>RPM</b> .....	Rights Protection Mechanism
<b>RSEP</b> .....	Registry Service Evaluation Process
<b>RSP</b> .....	Registry Service Provider
<b>RSSAC</b> .....	Root Server System Advisory Committee
<b>RRA</b> .....	Registry-Registrar Agreement
<b>RrSG</b> .....	Registrar Stakeholder Group

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<b>RySG</b> .....	Registries Stakeholder Group
<b>SG</b> .....	Stakeholder Group
<b>SO</b> .....	Supporting Organization
<b>SSAC</b> .....	Security and Stability Advisory Committee
<b>SubPro</b> .....	Subsequent Procedures
<b>T/T</b> .....	Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information
<b>TM-PDDRP</b> .....	Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedures
<b>TMCH</b> .....	Trademark Clearinghouse
<b>UCTN</b> .....	Use of Country and Territory Names as TLDs
<b>UDRP</b> .....	Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy
<b>URS</b> .....	Uniform Rapid Suspension
<b>WG</b> .....	Working Group

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