ICANN 70
VIRTUAL COMMUNITY FORUM

Policy Update
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Welcome to the Policy Update

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## Multistakeholder Policy Development

### Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

- **GNSO Policy Development Process**
  - **Identify the Issue**
  - **Scope the Issue**
  - GNSO Council considers Final Issue Report and decides whether to initiate PDP.
  - If yes, GNSO Council develops/adopts charter for PDP WG. GNSO Council calls for volunteers to form PDP WG.
  - **Initiate the PDP**
  - WG consults with Community and develops Initial Report for Public Comment Period. After reviews, WG submits Final Report to GNSO Council.
  - **Deliberate the Final Report**
  - GNSO Council reviews Final Report and considers adoption. If adopted, GNSO Council submits Final Report to ICANN Board.
  - **Vote by ICANN Board**
  - ICANN Board consults Community and GAC. ICANN Board votes on Final Report recommendations.

Learn more about the GNSO [gnso.icann.org](https://gnso.icann.org)

### Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO)

- **ccNSO Policy Development Process**
  - **Identify the Issue**
  - Issue manager determines if issue is within the scope of ccNSO.
  - ICANN Bylaws define and limit the scope of issues.
  - **Scope the Issue**
  - If issue is in scope and ccNSO Council approves Issue Report, PDP begins.
  - ccNSO Council gives Public Notice and opens Public Comment Period.
  - **Initiate the PDP**
  - ccNSO Council appoints WG to develop the policy.
  - WG issues Initial Report. WG opens Public Comment Period. WG produces Final Report. ccNSO Council requests GAC input.
  - **Develop Policy**
  - Stage 1. ccNSO Council deliberates Final Report and if adopted, makes recommendation to its members.
  - Stage 2. If members approve, ccNSO Council submits Final Report to ICANN Board.
  - **Vote by ccNSO (Two Stages)**
  - ICANN Board votes on Final Report recommendations, but national laws remain paramount.

Learn more about the ccNSO [ccnso.icann.org](https://ccnso.icann.org)

### Address Supporting Organization (ASO)

- **ASO Global Policy Development Process**
  - **Identify the Issue**
  - Any individual may submit global policy proposal to ASO AC or RIR. RIR PDP generates global policy proposal.
  - ICANN Board may also request global policy proposal.
  - **Determine Requirements**
  - Five RIRs review global policy proposal.
  - Five RIRs must approve identical global policy proposal.
  - Five RIRs submit approved global policy proposal to ASO AC for review.
  - **Review by RIRs and ASO AC**
  - ASO AC submits ratified global policy proposal to ICANN Board.
  - ICANN Board may accept, reject, request changes or take no action.

Learn more about the ASO [aso.icann.org](https://aso.icann.org)
Multistakeholder Advice Development

### At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)
ALAC voices the interests of Internet end users and advises ICANN Board on policies within ICANN’s mission and scope.

**ALAC Advice Development Process**

1. **Identify the Issue**
   - Any community member can bring an emerging issue to ALAC.

2. **Scope the Issue**
   - ALAC discusses its relevance to end users and decides if it needs to respond. ALAC determines if issue is in scope.

3. **Develop Advice**
   - ALAC appoints an At-Large community member to lead a small team to write a draft statement and begin consultation. Anyone may contribute to the draft statement.

4. **Ratify Advice**
   - ALAC reviews and calls for consensus or votes on final statements.
   - If ratified, ALAC sends advice to ICANN Board. ICANN org, SSACs, or other ICANN community members for consideration.

Learn more about the ALAC [alac.icann.org](http://alac.icann.org)

### Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)
GAC advises ICANN Board on public policy issues, particularly in areas where ICANN policies intersect with national laws and international agreements.

**GAC Advice Development Process**

1. **Identify the Issue**
   - Any GAC member or observer may raise issues for discussion. ICANN Board may also seek GAC advice.

2. **Collect Member Views**
   - GAC chair solicits input from GAC members, observers, or working groups.

3. **Achieve Consensus**
   - GAC chair summarizes comments with aim of reaching GAC consensus.

4. **Draft Advice**
   - GAC members, observers, or working groups contribute to draft advice. GAC reviews advice.

5. **Issue Advice**
   - If consensus is reached, GAC chair issues communique or other formal written statement to ICANN Board.

Learn more about the GAC [gac.icann.org](http://gac.icann.org)

### Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC)
RSSAC advises ICANN Board and community on matters relating to the operation, administration, security, and integrity of the Internet’s Root Server System.

**RSSAC Advice Development Process**

1. **Identify the Issue**
   - Any RSSAC or RSSAC Caucus member may propose a work item, including requests from ICANN Board, then submit statement of work for RSSAC consideration.

2. **Scope the Issue**
   - If approved, RSSAC creates a work party of other RSSAC or RSSAC Caucus members.

3. **Develop Advice**
   - Work party writes draft document. RSSAC Caucus leader sends draft to review until no further comments are received.
   - If RSSAC Caucus has not been instructed, RSSAC work party leader may send draft document to review.

4. **Ratify Advice**
   - Work party submits draft document to RSSAC.
   - RSSAC votes on draft document.

5. **Preview Recommendations**
   - RSSAC may share content with others who might affect.
   - RSSAC may publish approved document for Public Comment.

6. **Publish Advice**
   - RSSAC publishes approved document. RSSAC tracks and monitors effects of its recommendations.

Learn more about the RSSAC [rssac.icann.org](http://rssac.icann.org)

### Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)
SSAC advises ICANN Board and community on issues relating to the security and integrity of the Internet’s naming and address allocation systems.

**SSAC Advice Development Process**

1. **Identify the Issue**
   - SSAC members, ICANN Board, SSAC(s), or ICANN.org may request SSAC to review issues.

2. **Study the Issue**
   - IF SSAC agrees to review issue, work party begins draft document.
   - Work party may write concept paper with research, but no recommendations.

3. **Preliminary Review**
   - Work party may share draft document with those who might affect.
   - Work party sends resolutions to SSAC.
   - SSAC may post draft document for Public Comment.

4. **Preview Recommendations**
   - SSAC reaches consensus on final document.
   - SSAC chair may share final document with relevant parties in ICANN community or ICANN legal.

5. **Publish Advice**
   - SSAC publishes approved document. SSAC tracks and monitors effects of its recommendations.

Learn more about the SSAC [ssac.icann.org](http://ssac.icann.org)

SO/AC Supporting Organizations/Advisory Committees
Policy Development Support Function

- 34 FTE
- Subject Matter Expertise and Community Operations Management
- 9 Languages
  - Afrikaans
  - Chinese
  - Dutch
  - English
  - French
  - German
  - Italian
  - Spanish
  - Turkish
- 6 Time Zones across 9 Countries
How to Prepare

Policy Outlook Report: https://go.icann.org/outlook70

Prep Week Materials: https://70.schedule.icann.org/prep-week
Plenary Sessions

Governmental Regulatory Developments
Tuesday, 23 March 2021 | 19:30 UTC

This plenary session will provide an update from governmental authorities from the European Commission and United States regarding proposed legislation and directives.

Registry Voluntary Commitments: Getting it Right
Thursday, 25 March 2021 | 15:30 UTC

This plenary session will discuss the pros and cons of RVCs as well as possible improvements and alternatives.
Supporting Organization and Advisory Committee Updates
Address Supporting Organization (ASO)

Carlos Reyes
Policy Development

The ASO Address Council (AC) manages the global policy development process. There are currently no global policy proposals.

The **ASO AC Policy Update for ICANN70** provides information from the regions.

**Regional Internet Registry Community Policy Mailing Lists**
- AFRINIC Resource Policy Development Working Group
- APNIC Policy Special Interest Group
- ARIN Public Policy
- LACNIC Politicas
- RIPE Address Policy Working Group

**Regional Internet Registry Meetings**
- APNIC 51 22 February 2021-4 March 2021
- ARIN 47 12-14 April 2021
- LACNIC 35 10-14 May 2021
- RIPE 82 17-21 May 2021
- AFRINIC 33 to be confirmed
ASO Address Council Transparency

- **ac-discuss mailing archive:** OPEN to the public.

- **Monthly teleconference:** OPEN to observers.
  - Typically, the first Wednesday of every month at 12:00 UTC
  - [2021 calendar](#)
Discussion
Country Code Names
Supporting Organization (ccNSO)

Joke Braeken
Top Issues

Schedule

- Tech Day
- ccNSO Members Meeting:
  - ccNSO Governance Session
  - ccTLDs and the future
  - Question and answer session with ccTLD-associated ICANN Board members
- ccNSO Council meeting
- ccNSO Internet Governance Liaison Committee (IGLC): digital sovereignty

Ongoing ccNSO Policy Development Processes

- ccPDP3: a review mechanism pertaining to decision on the delegation, transfer, revocation, and retirement of country code top-level domains
- ccPDP4: (de)selection of Internationalized Domain Name ccTLD strings
How to Prepare

ccNSO Schedule and Remote Participation Hub
A one-stop page for all remote participation queries
https://community.icann.org/x/fwlACQ

ccNSO Members Meeting Agenda
https://community.icann.org/x/2AlACQ

Tech Day Agenda
https://community.icann.org/x/nYBeCQ
Discussion
Generic Names
Supporting Organization (GNSO)

Caitlin Tubergen
GNSO: Top Issues

EPDP on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data – Phase 2A

• The EPDP Phase 2A Team is working on answers to GNSO Council questions regarding two topics: (1) legal v. natural persons and (2) feasibility of uniform anonymized email addresses. The EPDP Phase 2A Team chair will provide an update to the GNSO Council during ICANN70.

New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP and Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs PDP

• The GNSO Council adopted the Final Report of the Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs during its January 2021 meeting and adopted the Final Report of New gTLD Subsequent Procedures during its February 2021 meeting.

Transfer Policy PDP

• The GNSO Council launched a new two-phased PDP on the Transfer Policy on 18 February 2021. The PDP will review the policy governing transfers of domain names from one registrar to another. There will be an informational session during ICANN70.
GNSO: Top Issues

Internationalized Domain Names

- The Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) EPDP Drafting Team is in process of developing a draft charter and an initiation request for the EPDP, with the aim to deliver them for GNSO Council consideration in Q2 2021.

Bilateral Sessions

- The GNSO Council will meet with the ICANN Board, ccNSO, and GAC during ICANN70.

GNSO Council Meeting

- Open to observers
How to Prepare for GNSO Sessions

GNSO Council Meeting: https://community.icann.org/x/hQxACQ

GNSO Policy Briefing: https://go.icann.org/gnsobriefing
Discussion
At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) and At-Large Community

Heidi Ullrich
Top Issues

Updates

• ALAC vs. At-Large
• By the Numbers: ALAC = 15 Members; Regional At-Large Organizations = 5; At-Large Structures = 250; and Individuals = 143
• Policy Statements since ICANN69: 9, including statement on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Final Report and correspondence with Office of the Chief Technology Officer

Policy Sessions

• ICANN Multistakeholder Model: New legislation and regulations, Challenges and Opportunities – Presented by Hadia Elminiawi
• The Future of ICANN’s Mandate and the Development of the DNS: Voices of the Next Generation - Presented by Matthias Hudobnik
• Applicant Support: What Does Success Look Like? - Presented by Hadia Elminiawi and Jonathan Zuck, ALAC Vice Chair for Policy

Outreach and Engagement Activities

• LACRALO Virtual General Assembly Meeting
• LACRALO Capacity Building
• LACRALO Roundtable
• LACRALO Community Social Event
• AFRALO/AfrICANN Session

Other Sessions

• Welcome Session
• ALAC Session with the GAC
• Wrap Up Session
How to Prepare

Giving Better Online Presentations: Forming Old Habits in the New Reality
• Presented by Jonathan Zuck
• Monday, 1 March 2021: 19:00-20:30 UTC

ICANN70 and At-Large: What to Expect
• Presented by At-Large leadership
• Monday, 15 March 2021 | 15:00 UTC

Social Media Webinar
• Presented by At-Large Social Media Chair Lilian Ivette De Luque Bruge
• Tuesday, 16 March 2021 | 16:30 UTC

[At-Large ICANN70 Workspace]
Discussion
Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

Robert Hoggarth
Current GAC Demographics

- 178 Country/Territory Members
- 38 Observer Organizations
- ~480 participants/delegates
  - Increased attendance and participation during the pandemic
- ~70 New GAC delegates since ICANN66
  - Increased demand for engagement activities in virtual environment
# Top Issues

## New gTLDs
- Subsequent procedures
- Timing of next round

## GDPR Implementation
- EPDP Phase 1 implementation
- EPDP Phase 2 Final Report
- EPDP Phase 2a

## DNS Abuse Mitigation

## IGO Protections
- GAC Advice
- GNSO work effort

## GAC Operations
- CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2 and ATRT3 implementation
How to Prepare

- Fifteen (15) plenary topic sessions and meetings
- 19 hours of public programming (*not including organizational meetings and daily updates*)
- Session Topics include:
  - New gTLD Subsequent Procedures (3)
  - DNS Abuse Mitigation (2)
  - Registration Data Services and Data Protection (2)
  - CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2 implementation
  - GAC Meetings with ICANN Board, ALAC, and GNSO (3)
  - GAC Communiqué Drafting (Wed/Thurs) (5)
Discussion
Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC)

Danielle Rutherford
Recent Publications

**RSSAC052: Statement on Recommendations for an Early Warning System for Root Zone Scaling**
- RSSAC review of OCTO-15: Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling
- RSSAC considers OCTO-15 to be well written and offers several comments

**RSSAC053: Statement on IANA Naming Function Review Initial Report**
- States RSSAC support for all four of the recommendations in section 2 of the IANA Function Review Team Initial Report

**RSSAC054: Statement on ICANN’s Root Name Service Strategy and Implementation**
- RSSAC review of OCTO-16: Recommendations for ICANN’s Root Name Service Strategy and Implementation
- Recommends clearly identifying the two very different roles for which ICANN is responsible; serving as a Root Server Operator, and as the body responsible for facilitating coordination of the Root Server System
- Comments on the coverage of Root Server System performance and hyperlocal
Current Work

**Tool to Gather a Local Perspective of the RSS – RSSAC Caucus Work Party**
- Describe requirements for a tool or set of tools that can easily measure the local perspective of the root server system (RSS) at various points of the Internet
- Multiple purposes, including helping to inform root server operators (RSOs) where best to deploy new instances for better global coverage

**Effects and Mitigations of a Rogue RSO – RSSAC Caucus Work Party**
- Define what is a ‘rogue’ operator?
- Describe types of rogue operators
- Explore harm committed by rogue operators as well as detection and mitigation strategies
Sessions

RSSAC Meeting
Tuesday, 23 March 2021 | 17:30 UTC

RSSAC Caucus Rogue RSO Work Party meeting
Tuesday, 23 March 2021 | 14:00 UTC

RSSAC Caucus Local Perspective Tool Work Party meeting
Thursday, 25 March 2021 | 14:00 UTC

For further information on the Root Server System and the RSSAC:

• RSSAC publications: https://www.icann.org/groups/rssac/documents
• RSSAC Frequently Asked Questions: https://www.icann.org/groups/rssac/faq
Discussion
Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)

Andrew McConachie
SAC114: SSAC Comments on the GNSO New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Draft Final Report

- SSAC directs its recommendations to the ICANN Board to consider along with the GNSO New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Final Report
- SSAC is concerned about proceeding with subsequent rounds of the New gTLD program without addressing several fundamental issues related to the security and stability of the domain name system
- SAC114 contains 7 recommendations, some generally concerning the new gTLD program, and others specifically referencing elements of the Draft Final Report
Current Work

SSAC DNS Abuse Work Party
• An SSAC work party is developing a report that outlines potential efforts to standardize community strategies and processes surrounding abuse identification and mitigation

SSAC Routing Security Work Party
• New work party to examine the security and stability implications of route hijacking on the Internet's routing system and domain name system

SSAC SSR2 Work Party
• An SSAC work party is reviewing the Second Security, Stability, and Resilience (SSR2) Review Team Final Report and preparing a comment

SSAC Root Zone Early Warning System Work Party
• New work party to examine OCTO-15: Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling, and related issues
Sessions

DNSSEC Workshop
Wednesday, 24 March 2021
• Session 1: 14:00 UTC
• Session 2: 15:30 UTC
• Session 3: 17:30 UTC

Joint Meeting with ICANN Board
Day, ## March 2021 | HH:MM UTC

SSAC Public Meeting
Thursday, 25 March 2021 | 17:30 UTC

SSAC website: https://www.icann.org/groups/ssac
Discussion
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