Marika Konings: Good morning everyone. Thank you for joining us today. My name is Marika Konings. I’m the Vice President for Policy Development Support for the GNSO. As this is the first time where we’re hosting this session and as such we’re hoping as well at the end to get some feedback from all of you whether this is helpful, useful should there be a different format, should we just forget about it for the next meeting?

But from our perspective the objective for the session is to give you an opportunity to introduce you to the Generic Names Supporting Organization although looking around at the table I think most of you are actually quite familiar with that group so I’m not sure if we have to spend too much time on that and to introduce you to the GNSO team, the folks that are supporting that
part of the ICANN community so you also know who to corner when you have further questions or want to learn more about what it is that happened this week are between ICANN meetings.

Objective as well help you – help you to guide you through today’s GNSO agenda so you’re aware of what is being discussed by the GNSO community and as well answer any questions you may have. As I said, you know, this really intends to be very open and interactive so feel free at any stage to raise your hand either whether you think you already know what we're discussing or if there's information that’s missing are any questions you may have.

Oh I’m not sure why this one doesn’t work. It’s supposed to be very nice pictures of the policy team in here. Apparently we weren't beautiful enough to be shown here but maybe if those of you on the GNSO team can just raise your hands for those that may not know who we are. So a couple of other folks there already in other meetings but again if you have any questions and see us throughout the meeting feel free to approach us and ask any questions that you may have.

So the GNSO structure again I’ve seen very – a lot of very familiar faces here so I don’t think we have to dwell too much on this. But the GNSO consists of the GNSO council on GNSO stakeholder groups and constituencies. They form the GNSO community and that is represented at a GNSO council level as where well where we always talk about houses. On one side we have the contracted party house which consists of the registries on the registrars and on the other side the non-contracted party house which has commercial constituencies which includes the Business Constituencies, the Intellectual Property Constituency and the Internet Service Provider and connectivity constituency. And then the other side of that house the non-commercial constituencies because of the noncommercial users constituencies that are not-for-profit operational concerns constituencies. I said I think everyone’s quite familiar with that structure so and we won’t dwell on that.
So here you have what’s on the agenda for today. I think you all know that for
the GNSO this is a very important meeting because it allows for a lot of time
spent on policy development activities. So you’ll see throughout the week a
lot of time has been set aside for face-to-face meeting meetings of cross – or
of PDP working groups as well as a number of cross community discussions
that are being organized by GNSO PDP working groups on a number of
different topics. For today part of the day is also carved out for updates on a
number of topics that. This is the what we traditionally used to call the
weekend session kind of agenda where we have a number of slots and
relatively rapid updates on a number of topics that are either of direct interest
or aware of future work may need to be undertaken.

So we’re starting today in directly after the session at 8:30 there’s the I don’t
think we’re calling at welcome ceremony. What are we calling at this time
around? I think it’s the Ethos Awards and it’s an informal welcome I think by
Goran and (David). And then at 9:15 we’ll start here in this room with the
GNSO sessions. And we'll start off with the - by a welcome with the chair and
running through the agenda for this week. And then we have a number of
updates by a policy development working groups that are ongoing. So the
first one up is the new gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP working group.
And you'll see as well throughout the morning there all the other PDPs are
also providing updates.

And then as we have as well a number of updates provided by other staff
members. There's an update on the Ks K rollover. There's a session on the
planning for the PTI FY ’19 budget which is already starting now and whether
the GNSO is expected to provide input on. And again there's also a topic for
example that's on the agenda for the joint session with the ccNSO council
which is at the end of the day today.

Then I said a number of PDP Working Group updates, Rights Protection
Mechanisms and the Registration Directory Services are then on. We also
have a briefing from the our GSE colleagues who are responsible for
outreach and engagement. This is partly in response to some of the comments that the GNSO provided in relation to the budget. We have a working lunch which we'll prepare for our meeting with the ccNSO council as well as the meeting with the Governmental Advisory Committee which takes place later this week. And then there’s a meeting, a joint session scheduled with the board working group on Internet governance. That is a meeting that has been requested by the council to help inform the council discussions on the revised charter that has been submitted by the Cross Community Working Group on Internet governance, the councilors keen to get a better sense of where the board the board working group sits and then what the relationship is with the community, Cross Community Working Group to be able to take an informed decision on where to take that next.

Then another update on the PDP Working Group, the IGO curative rights. Then we have a slot reserved for any other business. And one of the topics we expect to cover there is an update on the revised GNSO operating procedures and bylaws that were published last week. Those basically reflect or their implementation of the work of the Bylaws Drafting Team that looks at the post transition bylaws and made some recommendations on how the GNSO should modify or update its procedures as well as related bylaw provisions to be able to act as a decisional participant in the empowered community.

That's an important piece of work and really would like to encourage everyone to have a look at that and provide any input you may have as part of the public comment forum. Then we also have a Cross Community Session and we'll go in a bit more detail in a second. So that's this afternoon from 3'15 to 6:30 -- quite a long stretch but again a very important topic and hopefully many people will participate in that discussion. And then actually didn’t fit on the slide but then we have at the end of the day as well I think from 6:30 to 8:00 probably. What time are we on? The joint meeting with the ccNSO...
Woman: Six-thirty to seven-thirty.

Marika Konings: ...6:30 to 7:30. So we have a giant session with the ccNSO we basically the GNSO and the ccNSO run through some of the topics that are of common interest for example it includes a review or overview of the work of the different Cross Community Working Groups, includes a discussion on the PTI budget again. It's a topic of joint interest and as well but discussion on the review of the CSC charter and as well discussing the preparedness on both sides both sides of the groups with regards to the posts transition bylaws and operations and the empowered community.

So that's what's on the agenda. So we've prepared also a couple of slides on what to expect for the cross community discussion. And with that I'll hand it over to Lisa and Amr just give you a brief update. I don't know if there are already any questions. As I said this is intended to be very informal so anything not clear, anything you would like to know more about? Otherwise we'll just move on to this one.

Lisa Pfeiffer: Okay good morning. I am Lisa Pfeiffer and I am one of the staff members supporting the next generation gTLD Registration Directory Service policy development process. We've been in meetings since January of last year and have very much looking forward to this Cross Community discussion this afternoon where we'll hopefully have an opportunity to share with the community some of the agreements, rough working consensus agreements that have been developed over that period of time.

This PDP is looking at the purpose of collecting, maintaining and providing access to registration data possibly to develop a next generation directory service that would replace today's Whois system. I say possibly because one of the tasks in front of that PDP Working Group is to develop requirements for registration directory services and then based on those requirements determine whether in fact a next generation system is needed or whether the
existing Whois system could be modified in some way in order to satisfy those requirements.

So what we'll be doing in this Cross Community discussion this afternoon is presenting some of those initial thoughts about requirements focusing specifically on what the group is calling a minimum public data set which the group started thinking about that minimum public data set as today’s thin data and what are the requirements for access to thin data as the foundation for them moving beyond that to the more difficult and challenging questions of providing access to contact data or thick data. So those will be the points that we'll be covering in this afternoon’s Cross Community discussion and very much looking forward to feedback on the initial direction that the group is going with respect to that subset of data before we move on to additional data.

Kristina Rosette: Kristina Rosette, Amazon, more of a general question or suggestion that on that – the previous high level slide if it would be possible to come up with some kind of standardized like timeline arrow that would just show kind of from start to finish here’s what is supposed to happen in a PDP and just when you’re doing a super high level just to highlight that so that for those of us who have to pick and choose which we can follow and what we can’t closely and if this happens to be one that you just are not following closely you could see if you could like literally just look at it like and say, okay they’re halfway done or they’re 2/3 of the way done, I need to start thinking about kind of what the next steps are going to be in terms of my own objectives. I don’t know if you all of talked about doing that but I think that would be super helpful.

Marika Konings: Yes so this is Marika. Thanks Kristina. That’s a great suggestion. For this one particularly it’s a little bit of a challenge to really kind of firmly pinpoint where we’re at as, you know, we did start out with the work plan but I think we’ve already adjusted it quite a number of times as times as some of the discussions have taken longer. But on this on the objective is to start drafting
the initial report by ICANN 60 so that hopefully shortly thereafter we’re able to publish it. But in this case as well so this is just Phase 1 so I agree we will work on some kind of off-site shows even though we can’t may be specifically say about this date but at least it shows us well what is still to come and where we’re currently at in the process so thank you for that suggestion.

Yes so just to mention so the Cross Community session is this afternoon but then the working group is also meeting face to face on the Wednesday morning. I believe that session starts at 8:30. So again there they will kind of review what came out kind of the cross community discussion. But more importantly they will continue on where they left off their agenda during the last meeting. And they are expected to commence the deliberations on the part that deals with the so-called thick data. So it’s the next phase in this particular work.

So in summary and I see that we actually do have some new faces around the table so for some of you this may be news although for many of you this - you already know this. But all GNSO sessions are open. Anyone, everyone is welcome to participate and speak up. And you typically will see this the councilmembers sitting around the table but there’s also a microphone around the room and people are encouraged to participate and contribute to the topics that are being discussed.

And for those of you that want a little bit more preparation would like to encourage you to review the GNSO policy briefings. The GNSO Team prior to every ICANN meeting we prepare and it’s – and we try to keep it as short as possible then for all the topics that are being discussed that are on the discussion. We prepare like one or two page updates. And those are bundled into GNSO policy briefings. So those are really aimed at helping you prepare for the meeting and just getting a snapshot update on where things stand and also provide additional information if you want to get deeper into some of those topics.
And don’t hesitate to ask any questions. If you don’t want to do it during the session as I said before, you know, always feel free to reach out to us or like any of the other GNSO community members about, you know, or you want to know more or questions you may have. (Mary) if you could just push the presentation laptop? I think it just went to sleep.

Do not panic if you have no idea what people are talking about. If this is your first meeting or one of your first meetings there are quite a few topics on the agenda that may not be familiar to you and you're definitely not the only one. This is the policy forum so it is focused on substance. And the expectation is that for most of the discussions it will immediately go deeply into the substance. So do not panic and take some, time to get familiar with some of the acronyms and the concepts. Again, you know, feel free to reach out to any of us if you want to learn more or have specific questions.

And hopefully you’ll come back tomorrow for the next GNSO outreach policy briefing in which we’ll help you prepare for day two. I don’t know if there are any other questions or topics you would like to discuss? And again it doesn’t need to be limited to what’s on the agenda today. Anything that’s related to the GNSO or we’ll do our best to respond to them.

Looking at my colleagues, anything else we want to remind people of, looking at (Matthew) maybe just a reminder when you speak make sure you state your name because we are – all these meetings are also transcribed and recorded. So for those that may be reviewing transcripts afterwards and they may not recognize from reading the transcript who was making the comment. Speak slowly and that's a comment to myself. Anyone? Dennis go ahead.

Dennis Chang:  Dennis Chang, ICANN staff, wanted to let everyone know tomorrow Tuesday at noon immediately following the PDP Working Group on curative rights protection the IRT for the IT- IGO and INGO Identifier Protection Policy Implementation IRT will be meeting so wanted to know that and invite all you to join right here in this room. Thank you.
Marika Konings:  Thanks Dennis and this is Marika. Also to know that also the updates on the Implementation Review Teams including the one that Dennis was referring to are also included in the GNSO policy briefing so just want to know more about the please check that out. Anything else?

Is this helpful? Is this too high level? Is it too much detail? How can we improve this for tomorrow? Do you get what you were looking for? Well approximate timeline. We'll get those out for tomorrow. Heather go ahead.

Heather Forrest:  Thanks Marika, Heather Forrest. I think what would be helpful particularly once we move into tomorrow is we have a few things that appear on the schedule, let's say there's a follow-up session that happens later in the week. So if we can flag that let's say we have a few groups that are meeting on one day and then meeting again a few days later I think that would be helpful so that people don't walk away thinking well that's only on Tuesday and then I can knock that off my list just so we draw the connection for folks. Thanks.

Marika Konings:  Thanks, good suggestion Anyone else? Well then I think you get a few minutes before we start with the Ethos Award which I think are here at this level outside. So thank you all for coming and hopefully see you later today.