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Woman: June 27, 2018, GNSO Policy Briefing, 8:30 to 9:00 am. Salon 8.

Julie Hedlund: Welcome, everyone to the GNSO Policy Briefing. We'll start in about one minute. We'll get the recording started and once that's ready we'll go ahead and begin. Thank you.

Thank you, everyone for joining today. This is the GNSO Policy Briefing on the 27th of June and thank you very much again for joining us and for those remotely as well.

My name is Julie Hedlund and I am with the Policy Development staff at ICANN. And I have here some of my colleagues which I'll mention as we get through the slides. But this is a meeting to help you prepare for today's activities, so let's go ahead and move to the agenda for today. So we'll do a little introduction of the GNSO and the GNSO team, and then we'll run

through the agenda for today's meetings and then answer any questions that you might have.

So let me introduce you to the GNSO team, some of whom are here today. We have Caitlin to my left; and we have Steve Chan also to my right and Andrea who is also doing the remote participation management, thank you. And I'm not seeing any other of my colleagues in the room but you can see the rest of our team here on the slide.

And we are at the meeting all week and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to approach one of us and we'd be very happy to help you.

So just a little bit of information about the GNSO, and what it is. As you can see from the chat here this is the GNSO Council, the Council is – consists of the Contracted Party House, and the Non Contracted Party House. And the two houses represent the stakeholder groups. On the contracted side we have the Registries and the Registrars, so that's the Registry Stakeholder Group and the Registrar Stakeholder Group; and on the Non Contracted Party side of the house we have the commercial constituencies and the non commercial constituencies that make up the Non Commercial Stakeholder Group.

And this includes the Business Constituency, Intellectual Property and ISP Constituency on the commercial side of the house; and on the non commercial side of the house we have the Non Contracted Users Constituency and the Not for Profit Operating Concerns Constituency. And I think I maybe mislabeled this house, it is the Non Contracted Party House, the Non Contracted Party House, NCP – sorry, CPH, it's too early for me. Need to have more coffee.

So at any rate you'll also notice that we have ALAC and ccNSO, just to the right hand side of the Council there are liaisons to the Council from the ALAC and the ccNSO. And you'll also notice that we have individuals that are

labeled NCA, these are the NomCom appointees. We have a NomCom appointee one each side of the house and one that is not associated with the houses. And then just a note here, that one of those, as you note, is a nonvoting position and the other two are voting positions.

And the note that bottom is that the Council voting happens at the house level to ensure parity between the Contracted and Non Contracted Party House despite a different number of Council representatives. And of course there's more information available for you online concerning who the councilors are and we certainly welcome you to visit the GNSO page on the ICANN website.

Let me pause there and see if anybody has any questions. And none in the room as well. So let me move along to today's agenda. The first meeting today is actually going on right now in Salon 7, please don't run over there and leave me here, there are plenty of people over there already. So that's the joint meeting with the ccNSO and the GNSO Councils. And that's from 8:00 to 9:00 this morning.

And then following that we have what is on the scheduled listed from 9:00 to 10:15 as a GNSO PDP placeholder, but it actually will be a meeting of the EPDP temporary specification for gTLD registration data initiation request and charter drafting team meeting. And Caitlin here will tell us a little bit more about that when we get to those slides.

And then following that from 10:30 to noon we have the Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms in all gTLDs PDP Working Group session, and that is the first session of three this week; the other two sessions will be held tomorrow. And then in the afternoon we have the GNSO Council meeting and more of that a little bit later in the slide deck. Following that is the New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross Community Working Group session. And then there is a closed meeting of the GNSO Council for their Strategic Outlook Trends Identification.

And so unless there's any questions about the agenda we'll go ahead and move along to the details. So what's being discussed in Salon 7 is the Customer Standing Committee, this is in the ccNSO and GNSO meeting, some of the reviews, the current status of reviews and the draft operating standards and next steps. There's a discussion of the Internet governance engagement group proposed charter. There is the discussion of emojis in TLDs. And that's a status update on the ccNSO and GNSO activities.

Then there is the CCWG Work Stream 2 Accountability expected next steps. And then finally a discussion of the ccNSO and GNSO as decisional participants in the empowered community.

And then just to move along to the EPDP drafting team, now this group met yesterday and I'm not going to run through the full status here because this real describes just the overview of the group and then what happened yesterday. But there was quite a bit of activity yesterday and my colleague here, Caitlin, can speak a little bit to where we stand for today's meeting.

Caitlin Tubergen: Thank you very much, Julie and thank you to those of us who joined us so early. So for those of you that may have attended the high interest topic session on Monday evening dealing with the EPDP, you'll notice that some of the topics on this slide look familiar. And that's because the drafting team has divided some of the main topics which include the team's composition, the team's leadership and scope, the decision making methodologies and the status reporting and lastly the problem or issue escalation and resolution processes.

So the EPDP drafting team which consists of the GNSO Council met for approximately five hours yesterday and took each topic one by one also factoring in feedback from the larger community and any feedback that we received during that high interest topic session on Monday evening.

There is a team lead within the Council for each of these topics and those individuals were responsible for drafting some text to put into the draft charter that the team will be reviewing today at 9:00. You're welcome to attend that session, it will be in Salon 7 as Julie mentioned. I would like to note that if you do attend the session, you're welcome to join via the Adobe room and provide any feedback in the chat but in terms of the discussion at the table that is reserved for drafting team members only.

Thanks. Back over to you, Julie.

Julie Hedlund: Thank you very much, Caitlin, that was very helpful. And here just for your reference is the draft EPDP timeline and of course these slides will be posted as well if you want to reference them later.

So let's talk a little bit about the session coming up this morning at 10:30 on the Review of all Rights Protection Mechanisms in all gTLDs PDP Working Group. So this is a group that was established in March of 2016 to conduct a two phased PDP. We're currently in Phase 1 of the PDP, and in this phase the working group is reviewing the rights protection mechanisms, or RPMs, that were developed for the 2012 round of new gTLDs.

The working group is conducting extensive data collection on the Trademark Clearinghouse and extensive sunrise – pardon me, sunrise and claims rights protection mechanisms. In addition the working group is identifying additional data that relates to the Uniform Rapid Suspension rights protection mechanism. So there is a couple of ongoing activities, there'll actually be a survey that will be conducted on the sunrise and claims and there have been surveys and questionnaires that have been conducted with respect to the URS data collection.

Today's meeting is a face to face meeting of the working group and at this meeting sub teams will present results first on the data collection from URS practitioners, then there will be a discussion on the status of the data

collection on the sunrise and claims, and the survey that will soon go out for that data collection, and then there will be an update from the URS Documents Sub Team that is collecting documents relating to the URS and also identifying data needs for collection as well.

So there are links to the charter and the wiki for your reference and you're certainly welcome to join this session at 10:30 and we do welcome participation from the community in this session. Any questions before we move on?

And I'll just welcome a couple of my colleagues who've joined, we have over to my right Ariel Liang and Mary Wong and thanks for joining. So this afternoon at 1:00 pm there'll be the GNSO Council meeting. And the GNSO Council meets at each ICANN meeting and this is, you know, a working meeting where they will have discussions on key topics and also they have planned some votes.

So just a very brief overview of today's agenda, and you can find the complete agenda if you look on the page in the schedule for the Council meeting there is a link to the wiki and that will have the full agenda as well as the text of the motions.

So some of the topics for discussion today are the SSAC, that's the Security and Stability Advisory Committee, will brief the GNSO on their paper on the use of emoji in domain names. Then there is planned vote on IGO INGO Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms. And a vote on changes made to the Customer Standing Committee, that is CSC, charter. There'll be an update on protections for certain Red Cross names in all gTLDs policy amendment process. And a vote on the initiation of expedited policy development process on the ICANN Board temporary specification. And this relates to the update that Caitlin gave us on today's drafting team meeting. And the vote is dependent on the work at that meeting that follows that meeting.

And then some of the other business that the Council will be addressing is the timeline for the election of the GNSO Chair which takes place at ICANN 73. And a call for volunteers on the revised ICANN procedure handling Whois conflicts with privacy law. I'll pause there and ask if there are any questions about the GNSO Council meeting.

Not seeing any questions or in the chat we'll go ahead and move along. So also today we have a meeting of the New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross Committee Working Group. This is a face to face meeting. And just a little background, so as you may know, the GNSO – the – I'm sorry, the gTLD program did establish auctions as a mechanism of last resort to resolve string contention, that is competition between two or more applicants for TLDs.

Now the ICANN community has since chartered a cross community working group, a CCWG, and this group is tasked to develop a proposal for eventual consideration by the ICANN Board on the mechanisms that should be created to allocate the new gTLD auction proceeds. As mentioned, today is a face to face meeting of this CCWG. And so it will be – it will be reviewing some mechanism descriptions, some proposed responses to the remaining charter questions, and their work plan as well as next steps. And again, there's links to the charter for your reference as well as the wiki and we invite you to attend that session if you wish an also review the materials that are available online. Let me pause there again and see if there are any questions.

So in summary, just as we've noted here, all sessions are open except for the one session that is not is the strategy session by the GNSO Council that's at the end of the day today. But unless a session has a, you know, a closed – a C in brackets, these sessions are open. The one caveat for today's meeting of the EPDP drafting team as Caitlin mentioned, is that you're certainly welcome to participate and to put comments in the Adobe Connect chat room, but for any discussion in the room that will be limited to the drafting

team. But for other meetings you're welcome to engage in the room as well as in Adobe Connect.

And so all input is welcome. These are – the point of these meetings here is to engage you this is a policy forum, we are very interested in your comments, questions, thoughts, on the policies here. And we do suggest that you could review the GNSO policy briefings, and there's a link there for your reference. We do encourage questions, please do not hesitate to ask us any questions and if you happen to see us walking around please feel free to engage us and we're happy to help.

And of course don't panic if you don't have any idea what we're talking about. And please do ask us to explain if you don't understand an acronym. We try not to use acronyms but they – they are everywhere, so we're happy to explain them. And tomorrow, Day 4, we're going to have another briefing at this same time, I think it's in Salon 7 tomorrow, and I will be doing that briefing as well. So we're certainly welcoming you to join us early tomorrow too if you wish to help prepare for Day 4.

And let me ask again if there are any final questions before we adjourn this session? Not seeing any questions, I want to thank you all very much for joining us today and we'll hope to see you tomorrow as well but I hope you have a good day and again, please don't hesitate to let us know if we can help you. Thank you. This meeting is adjourned and you can go ahead and stop the recording and we'll prepare for the next meeting that will follow immediately at 9:00. Thank you.

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