Marika Konings: Welcome to the GNSO Council meeting of 16 April 2015
Glen de Saint Gery: Welcome David!
David Olive: Greetings Glen and Marika
Eric Evrard: Hello Everyone
David Olive: Glen could you have the operator call me?
Stephanie Perrin: Morning everybody!
Carlos Raul: good morning
Glen de Saint Gery: yes David I will ask them to call you
Edward Morris: Hello everyone.
Mason Cole: Good morning all
Heather Forrest: Hello everyone
Philip Corwin: Good day all
Susan Kawaguchi: good morning
Thomas Rickert: Actually, I am now in the AC room, but I am in a taxi and not driving myself :-(
Thomas Rickert: Connection might be lost, though...
Bret Fausett, RySG: https://community.icann.org/display/gnsosoi/Bret+Fausett+SOI
Tony Holmes: I will have to leave in 1 hour and will hand my proxy to Osvaldo
Amr Elsadr: Hi all.
Amr Elsadr: Apologies for missing the role call.
Marika Konings: everyone can scroll the document
James Bladel - RrSG - United States: Guess we all want to keep this agenda moving along. :) 
Amr Elsadr: OK. Thanks Phil.
Amr Elsadr: Not only you, Jonathan.
Amr Elsadr: Can't hear James at all now.
Bladel: Sorry, I'll dial back.
Stephanie Perrin: not hearing anything
Carlos Raul: no voice
Marika Konings: @Carlos, Stephanie - you do hear Amr speak, right?
Stephanie Perrin: yes
Avri Doria: Not an issue on this issue, but just to put it on the table. Will the GAC/GNO group need to come up with specific methods for the new GNSO processes once they are approved. GAC interaction with GNSO processes seems to be something that needs to be carefully orchestrated.
Amr Elsadr: @Avri: I don't think so. The GAC/GNSO group is suggesting processes that would allow for earlier engagement in GNSO PDPs, but not really working on changing GNSO processes to accommodate the GAC.
Bladel: If there is an absence of policy, Staff should simply note that.
Amr Elsadr: Apologies. Did you mean new processes to engage in the P&I recommended processes?
Amr Elsadr: If that is the case, then actually, I would imagine the answer is yes.
Carlos Raul: I didn’t say staff should make a judgement, but to refer us to the probable source
Amr Elsadr: @Avri: So you raise an important point.
Mary Wong: @James, @Carlos, we are happy to help provide background and requested info - e.g. as part of the Council's discussion - but we don't feel entirely comfortable filling in the template esp before the Council has discussed the topic.
Marika Konings: @Amr, Avri - the idea is that once the GAC/GNSO CG recommendations have been tested and are considered ‘final’, there would need to be an assessment on whether or not those new processes would require modifications to the GNSO Operating Procedures.
Bladel: Could also be for any ongoing PDP WGs?
Marika Konings: but as it is the expectation that these will be first implemented as 'pilot' it would be too early to make any changes
Amr Elsadr: @Marika: Yes, of course. If I understand Avri's question correctly, the GAC/GNSO CG may need to help develop processes to facilitate early engagement of the GAC in other processes besides the PDP.
Marika Konings: Ah, got it, good point, but for the moment the focus is on the PDP (although I do think what is being considered now could also be easily applied to the other processes)
Amr Elsadr: Except where there is no issue scoping phase. :) 
Avri Doria: thank. sorry I expressed it so poorly.
Mason Cole: Yes, Jonathan, it's the surprise factor I would like to avoid. I agree we should begin with the chairs' discussion next week.
Carlos Raul: not to the GAC, but to the Board
Stephanie Perrin: Thank you!
Marika Konings: remit of the GNSO is gTLD policy - on that basis has the yes/no been put in. That doesn't mean that it cannot have a view or work on other items, but according to the Bylaws, gTLD policy is the main remit of the GNSO Council.
Amr Elsadr: Olivier, the rationale would be in column 4, wouldn't it?
Marika Konings: that is up to the Council to decide - (or whomever holds the pen)
Stephanie Perrin: Many policies set by the GNSO have an impact on topics 9 and 10, and vice versa.
Olivier Crepins-Leblond: ok thanks!
Carlos Raul: thank you Stephanie
Stephanie Perrin: My pleasure, this is a great initiative!
Amr Elsadr: I'm guessing Thomas is expecting some comments on the pace today. :)
Avri Doria: It was only last Thursday. Seems longer ago than that.
Tony Holmes: Thanks Thomas/All I have to leave the call now but will follow the transcript from here later
Amr Elsadr: I was disconnected. Apologies.
Glen de Saint Gery: Amr, would you like us to call you
Amr Elsadr: Just got back on the call.
Marika Konings: you can scroll through the document at your leisure
Amr Elsadr: Did Thomas respond to anything I said? Apologies for missing it.
Mary Wong: he said 3-4 days for the freeze
Amr Elsadr: The point I wanted to make was that more than one freeze period may allow the creation of iterations, where reflection and broader consultation may be helpful. Hope there could be at least two of them.
Amr Elsadr: Thank Mary and Thomas.
Thomas Rickert: Sure I responded to your question, Amr :-)
Mary Wong: Yes, James
Bladel: Perfect, thanks.
Amr Elsadr: @Thomas: Thanks. Sorry I missed it. :)
Thomas Rickert: no worries :-)
Bladel: Never thought I would say this, but we really need audio-enabled Adobe for these calls. Third time I've been dropped today. :-(
Jonathan Robinson: @James. We do have. Since the past two meetings or so.
Glen de Saint Gery: @ James, there is audio enabled for the call
Bladel: Ok. The invitation said it was audio-only, and to speak you need to use the bridge.
Avri Doria: I am very grateful that AC audio has been activated. Onfemr it give much better voice quality than I get from my mobile phone (the only phone i have other than VoIP.
Bladel: Right, my mobile is terrible here.
Bladel: Here's the bit from the reminder: "However it is important to join the teleconference bridge to be able to speak up, being on Adobe Connect alone is not enough to participate in the Council meeting."
Avri Doria: I saw it as a remainder from the past notes. but also figured that is the audio on AC did not work, then i had not excsue for not trying with my mobile.
Avri Doria:... if the audio on AC did not work ...
Amr Elsadr: Couldn't agree more with all of Donna's comments and questions.
Amr Elsadr: Big thanks to you David, and your entire team.
Bladel: Agree with Susan. That will be a huge undertaking, and we cannot simply add it to the workload of existing Staff (and Volunteers)
Amr Elsadr: @ James @ Susan: +1
Amr Elsadr: I think why the council may want to comment is because this is relevant to our role of managment of the GNSO processes.
Bladel: @ Amr & @ Jonathan - Any comment coming from the GNSO should be sufficiently narrow as to enjoy unanimous support from all SGs. Any differences need to be kicked down to the SGs comments.
Amr Elsadr: @ Jonathan: Yes. I'm in no way a finance or budgeting expert. :)
Carlos Raul: I volunteer
Amr Elsadr: @ James: Agreed.
Susan Kawaguchi: I can volunteer but disclaimer not a budget expert either
Amr Elsadr: There are actually no bylaws detailing how the board is required to handle CCWG recommendations.
Stephanie Perrin: Happy to join the budget group. I have done budget work.

Donna Austin, RySG: Agree with Bret's comments/thoughts.

Bladel: Agree that we need clarification on that point.

Thomas Rickert: Agree with Bret.

Susan Kawaguchi: +1

Heather Forrest: +1 - what are these other processes?

Stephanie Perrin: Agree with what Phil is saying.....need the group more than ever

Amr Elsadr: Thanks Olivier.

Bladel: I'll need to drop at the top of the hour. Apologies.

Bret Fausett, RySG: On 10.2, I've asked for time on our May agenda to discuss the work of the New gTLD discourse group, in warm up for a motion for an issue report in Buenos Aires.

Amr Elsadr: Do we not have a liaison to this group right now?

Heather Forrest: The liaison position is now vacant due to Cheryl Langdon Orr's stepping down from the Council.

Amr Elsadr: @Heather: Thanks.

Heather Forrest: We learned of this just prior to last Council meeting so hence it is being raised now

Heather Forrest: not urgent in my view as co-chair

Heather Forrest: Carlos and I will place an update from this cross-community WG for the next council meeting and the issue can be raised then

David Cake: I would like council input on BA planning, but it can can be done via email.

Marika Konings: More likely June.

Avri Doria: But people can comment on this report now, if there is something important to comment on.

Bladel: Thanks all.

Bret Fausett, RySG: Thank you all.

David Olive: Thank you everyone

Carlos Raul: tks

Mary Wong: Thanks all

Amr Elsadr: Thanks all. Bye.

Heather Forrest: Thank you Jonathan - efficient dealing with a full agenda. Best wishes to all

Susan Kawaguchi: thanks all

Thomas Rickert: Well done Jonathan. Thanks all, bye!

Marilia Maciel: Thanks

David Cake: Thank you all