

# ICANN | GNSO

Generic Names Supporting Organization

## Policy Briefing ICANN80 Edition

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# Welcome to ICANN80 from the GNSO Chair

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The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council and the GNSO community welcome your participation in the ICANN80 Policy Forum in Kigali, Rwanda. As with previous hybrid meetings, at ICANN80, the GNSO will seek to equally leverage contributions of in-person and remote participants to advance important policy development efforts and the work of the GNSO Council. As ICANN80 approaches, I would like to highlight a few GNSO initiatives that will be on the agenda for the meeting, as well as recent and ongoing work that may interest you. Additional information about GNSO projects can be found in the following sections of this document.

During ICANN80, the GNSO will hold multiple sessions for key policy development initiatives and other GNSO projects. The Transfer Policy Review Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group was initiated by the GNSO Council in March 2021 to determine if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers. During ICANN80, the working group will hold one session to continue the process of finalizing its Initial Report, which the working group currently plans to publish in August.

The GNSO Internationalized Domain Names (IDN) Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) will hold one working session during ICANN80 with the goal to make progress on its Phase 2 Final Report. The Team's Phase 2 work covers issues pertaining to second-level variant management. The working group will review the public comments received on its Initial Report.

The GNSO Council's Standing Committee on the Registration Data Request System (RDRS) will also meet at ICANN80. The Standing Committee plans to review six months of RDRS metrics and discuss the associated trends of the data. It also wants to share experiences with the RDRS and welcomes interested parties to attend the session to learn more.

During ICANN80, the GNSO Council will hold an informal meeting on Tuesday, 11 June, a public meeting on Wednesday, 12 June, and a wrap-up session on Thursday, 13 June. The GNSO Council will also hold a bilateral meeting with the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) on Tuesday, 11 June.

ICANN80 will be a full meeting with ample opportunities to participate and learn about GNSO policy development. Whether you are attending in person in Kigali, Rwanda, or via Zoom, I look forward to seeing you soon. I wish you all a productive meeting.

**Greg DiBiase**  
**GNSO Chair**

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# ICANN80 at a Glance

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The GNSO Policy Support Team has developed this briefing document to help community members prepare for ICANN80. It provides an overview of the status of the GNSO PDP working groups and teams, as well as information about other GNSO policy-related activities, including PDP Implementation Review Teams (IRTs). This document includes links for additional background reading to help you prepare for ICANN80. We hope it fosters active participation from all attendees.

Newcomers to ICANN and to the GNSO may be interested in additional online learning opportunities that will help them make the most of the upcoming meeting. We highly recommend taking the “Get to Know the GNSO” course on [ICANN Learn](#). It will make it easier to navigate the structure and content of this Policy Briefing and provide you 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.

## ICANN80 Meeting Information

[Meeting Page, including registration and schedule](#)

[General Remote Participation Information](#)

[GNSO Session Remote Participation Details](#)

[Expected Standards of Behavior](#)

## GNSO-Related Information

[Pre-ICANN80 GNSO Council Webinar](#)

[GNSO One-Stop Shop for ICANN Meetings](#)

[Project List](#)

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). We look forward to a productive meeting.

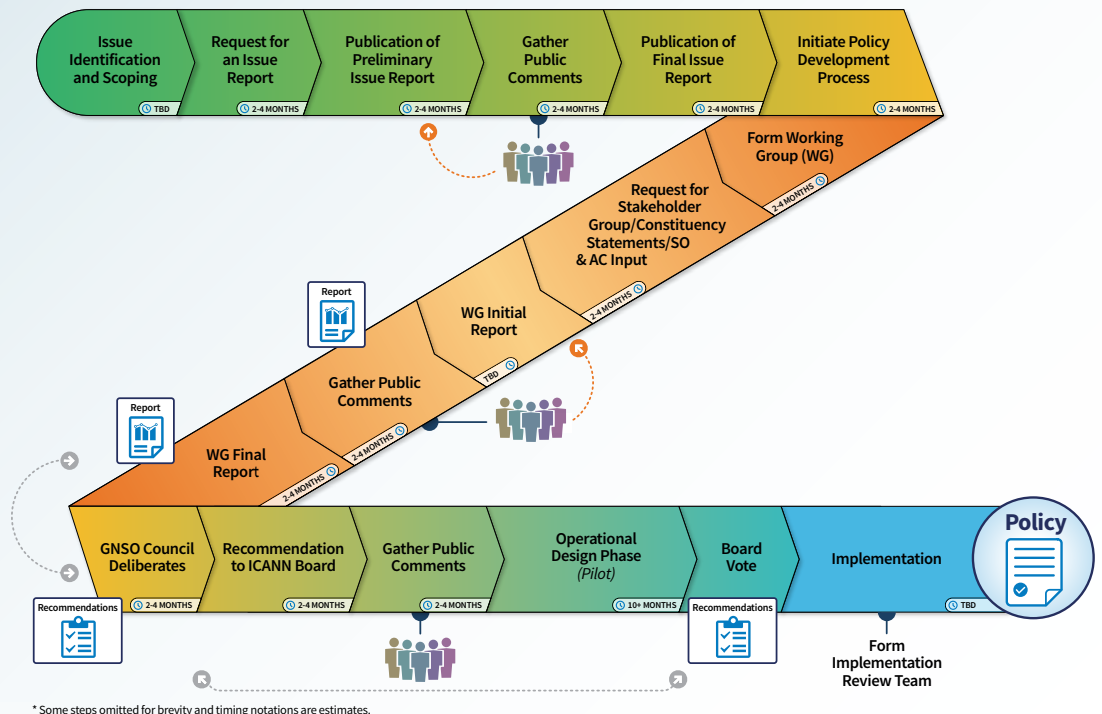
**Policy Research and Stakeholder Programs Briefing**

ICANN org’s Policy Research and Stakeholder Programs (PRSP) team has a similar, publicly available, briefing. Its goal is to provide status updates and progress reports on the various community-facing projects that the PRSP team supports, all in preparation for ICANN80 meeting discussions. The pre-ICANN meeting briefings are a valuable resource for the community and help increase visibility and accountability for the multiple projects the PRSP team supports and leads. You can read the PRSP Pre-ICANN80 Briefing [here](#).



# GNSO Policy Development Process Infographic

The GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP) governs how the GNSO develops consensus policies related to generic top-level domains (gTLDs). As shown in the summarized graph below, a GNSO PDP lifecycle consists of different steps. They include issue identification and scoping, PDP initiation, working group, GNSO Council deliberation, ICANN Board vote, and policy implementation. Note: The Operational Design Phase (ODP) shown in the graphic does not apply to all PDPs. Some steps are omitted for brevity. Timing notations are estimates.



The respective steps reached by the PDP working groups are detailed in the following sections.

For more details about the steps in the PDPs, consult the information below:

- [ICANN Bylaws, Annex A](#)
- [Detailed Infographic of the GNSO PDP](#)
- [PDP Manual](#)

# Policy Development Process: Transfer Policy Review

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

The working group will conduct one working session at ICANN80; please check the [ICANN80 meeting schedule](#) for the confirmed time. During the session, the working group will continue finalizing its preliminary recommendations for its Initial Report.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council [initiated](#) a PDP to review the Transfer Policy. This PDP is tasked to determine if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers.

The working group began meeting in May 2021, and while it initially divided its work into three distinct groups/phases, the working group ultimately agreed that the topics within its charter needed to be considered together due to overlapping dependencies. Accordingly, the working group is now focusing on a comprehensive Initial Report, which will cover all topics in its charter, including inter-registrar transfers, change of registrant, the Transfer Dispute Resolution Policy, ICANN-approved transfers, and others.

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The Transfer Policy Review PDP Working Group, still in the Initial Report phase of a PDP, is finalizing its preliminary recommendations on its Group 2 charter topics, including ICANN-approved transfers.



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

The working group is expected to deliver a second Initial Report comprehensively covering all charter topics, including revisions to the recommendations contained in the first Initial Report, in August 2024.

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

Parties interested in the Transfer Policy Review PDP should coordinate with the members assigned by the respective Stakeholder Group, Constituency, Supporting Organization, or Advisory Committee and communicate any input they believe may be useful to the Transfer Policy Review PDP's deliberations. Interested parties can also follow the working group's progress by signing up as an observer. A Public Comment period will be held on the second Initial Report. All are welcome to contribute to this Public Comment period.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- [PDP webpage](#)
- [PDP workspace](#)

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# Expedited Policy Development Process: Internationalized Domain Names

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

The Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team plans to conduct one working session at ICANN80 to make progress on its Phase 2 recommendations, following the Public Comment for the Initial Report. Please check the [ICANN80 meeting schedule](#) for the confirmed time. During the session, the EPDP Team will work toward finalizing the Phase 2 recommendations, including the review of public comments received for the preliminary recommendations. Phase 2 covers issues pertaining to second-level variant management.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The EPDP Team is tasked to:

- Determine the approach for a consistent definition of all gTLDs; and
- Develop policy recommendations that will eventually allow for the introduction of variant gTLDs at the top level.

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

On 20 May 2021, the GNSO Council approved the [initiation request](#) for the launch of the EPDP on Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) and adopted its [charter](#), including 48 questions under seven broader topics. The topics ranged from the “same entity” requirement at the top and second levels, to adjustments to ICANN policies and procedures as they relate to IDNs. The EPDP Team began meeting in August 2021, simultaneously monitoring activities in the Country Code Names Supporting Organization’s (ccNSO) ccPDP4 on the (de-)selection of IDN ccTLD Strings to ensure that a consistent solution for variant TLDs was being developed.

In November 2022, the GNSO Council approved the [project change request](#) from the EPDP Team to divide its work into two phases. Accordingly, Phase 1 focuses on topics related to top-level gTLD definition and variant management while Phase 2 focuses on topics related to second-level variant management. The two-phased approach was intended to allow the EPDP Team to focus on the charter questions that are most likely to impact the implementation of the Next Round of the new gTLDs and avoid potential delays.



On 8 November 2023, the EPDP Team submitted its [Phase 1 Final Report](#) to the GNSO Council in accordance with its [project plan](#)<sup>1</sup>. The Final Report includes sixty-nine (69) recommendations<sup>2</sup>, most of which strive to operationalize Subsequent Procedures (SubPro) PDP Outputs to allow for future applications of gTLD variant labels through the New gTLD Program. The GNSO Council [approved](#) the report during its 21 December 2023 meeting and submitted its [recommendations report](#) to assist the ICANN Board in its consideration of the Phase 1 Final Report. As mandated by the ICANN Bylaws, a [Public Comment](#) period was opened on 23 January 2024 for the Phase 1 Final Report, seeking input to aid the Board’s consideration of the recommendations, which closed on 12 March 2024. The Board received six (6) submissions and is carefully considering each input on all recommendations to reach a final decision.

With respect to the Phase 2 work, from 6–8 December 2023, the EPDP Team held a dedicated face-to-face workshop in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to expedite its deliberations. During the workshop, the EPDP Team completed initial deliberation of all remaining Phase 2 charter questions, as well as additional issues and topics slated for discussion. On 11 April 2024, the EPDP Team published its Phase 2 Initial Report for [Public Comment](#).

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

Upon the closure of the Public Comment period on 21 May 2024, the EPDP Team will review all public comments gathered for the Initial Report by August 2024 and publish its Phase 2 Final Report in October 2024 for the GNSO Council’s consideration.

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<sup>1</sup>Identifying that nearly all of its charter questions may have an impact on the next Applicant Guidebook, the GNSO Council submitted to the ICANN Board a revised timeline from the EPDP Team on 25 July 2023, shortening the Phase 2 timeline by 13 months, with the estimated delivery date of the Phase 2 Final Report becoming October 2024. The two-phased approach remained unchanged.

<sup>2</sup>Phase 1 Initial Report, which was published for Public Comment on 24 April 2023, included 68 preliminary recommendations. Upon the closure of the Public Comment on 19 June 2023, the EPDP Team received input from 12 submissions, with the Team later developing 69 recommendations for the Final Report.

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Since the EPDP Team has completed most of its work and passed several significant milestones, those interested in this topic are welcome to contribute input through Public Comment opportunities, including those for the Phase 2 Initial Report and the Final Report. Those interested can also follow the EPDP Team's progress by signing up as observers.

### MORE INFORMATION

- [EPDP webpage](#)
- [EPDP workspace](#)
- [EPDP Phase 2 Initial Report Public Comment](#)

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# GNSO Guidance Process: Applicant Support

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

At ICANN80, the GNSO Guidance Process (GGP) Working Group will not hold a working session as it has completed its work with the adoption of its Guidance Recommendations Final Report and Recommendations Report by the GNSO Council.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The goal of a GGP is to provide additional guidance to support implementation efforts relating to the Applicant Support Program as recommended in the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Final Report.

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

During its 25 August 2022 meeting, the GNSO Council [approved](#) the GGP Initiation Request to perform work on Applicant Support. The working group was subsequently formed and began work in November 2022. It produced its Guidance Recommendation Initial Report for Public Comment, which lasted for 40 days, on 31 July 2023. The working group then reviewed and considered the received Public Comments and submitted its Guidance Recommendation Final Report to the GNSO Council in December for consideration. The GNSO Council adopted the Final Report and the subsequent Recommendations Report on [21 December 2023](#) and [18 January 2024](#), respectively.

## WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?

The ICANN Board of Directors will consider the recommendations from the GGP WG's Final Report.



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

The GGP is now concluded. If approved by the ICANN Board, the recommendations will be implemented by the [SubPro Implementation Review Team](#). The New gTLD Program Next Round IRT is open to all interested participants, particularly current or former SubPro WG team members who participated in the team's deliberations and who keenly understand the Final Report's policy recommendations and accompanying rationale. To join the IRT as a participant or observer, please complete this [form](#). If you are unable to access it, please send an email to [nextround\\_policyimplementation@icann.org](mailto:nextround_policyimplementation@icann.org).

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- [GGP workspace](#)
- [GGP Initiation Request](#)

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

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

The New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures (SubPro) Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group will not be meeting at ICANN80 as it has completed its work. However, the Implementation Review Team (IRT) established to support the implementation of policy recommendations for the Next Round will hold sessions at ICANN80. Please check the [ICANN80 meeting schedule](#) for the confirmed times.

In addition, the GNSO Council’s SubPro Supplemental Recommendations small team is not scheduled to meet at ICANN80.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

This PDP working group sought to determine if any changes needed to be made to the existing policy recommendations from the 2007 [Final Report on the Introduction of New Generic Top-Level Domains](#). ([Learn More](#))

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

On 16 March 2023, the ICANN Board passed a resolution on a set of recommendations calling for, among other things, “a working methodology and Implementation Review Team (IRT) work plan and timeline as agreed upon by ICANN org and the GNSO Council.” See: <https://www.icann.org/en/board-activities-and-meetings/materials/approved-resolutions-regular-meeting-of-the-icann-board-16-03-2023-en>. In addition to the approved recommendations, the Board designated 38 outputs as “pending”. The GNSO Council convened a small team which worked with the ICANN Board to resolve all pending recommendations. The small team focused on determining what modifications are needed, if any, for the recommendations that the Board did not **adopt**.

Accordingly, prior to ICANN79 the small team held a Community Update during Prep Week and a Community Consultation during ICANN79. These sessions were intended to socialize draft Supplemental Recommendations and seek input from the community regarding the proposed modifications to recommendations that were not adopted by the ICANN Board. Receiving no comments or concerns, the small team submitted the recommendations to the GNSO for consideration at its meeting on 18 April, whereby the Council **adopted** the recommendations, though it subsequently remanded Topic 24 to the small team for possible revision.



ICANN org has established the IRT to support the implementation of policy recommendations for future rounds of new gTLD applications. See: <https://community.icann.org/x/pQM5Dg>. The IRT is meeting regularly and will hold sessions at ICANN80.

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

The IRT began meeting regularly in May 2023 and strives to complete its implementation work. In addition, the GNSO Council will continue to collaborate with the ICANN Board’s Caucus on New gTLD Subsequent Procedures and ICANN org to seek resolution for recommendations relating to Topic 24: String Similarity Evaluations.

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

The New gTLD Program Next Round IRT is open to all interested participants, particularly current or former SubPro WG team members who participated in the team’s deliberations and who keenly understand the Final Report’s policy recommendations and accompanying rationale. To join the IRT as a participant or observer, please complete this [form](#). If you are unable to access it, please send an email to [nextround\\_policyimplementation@icann.org](mailto:nextround_policyimplementation@icann.org).

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- [PDP webpage](#)
- [PDP workspace](#)
- [ODP webpage](#)

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

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

During ICANN80, the Registration Data Request Service (RDRS) Standing Committee, which is the committee of volunteers charged with reviewing RDRS metrics and making recommendations to the GNSO Council, will be meeting on Monday, 10 June. The Standing Committee plans to review six months' worth of reports and metrics from the RDRS. Additionally, the Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG) will hold a membership session on Monday, 10 June, and plans to discuss user experiences with the RDRS. The Registrar Stakeholder Group will hold a session entitled "Registrars & ICANN: Good RDRS Requests" on Tuesday, 11 June. Please check the [ICANN80 meeting schedule](#) for the confirmed times.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

One of the main purposes of the RDRS is to collect data about system usage, which will inform future discussions between the GNSO Council and the ICANN Board on the pending Recommendations 1–18 of the [Final Report](#) of the GNSO [Expedited Policy Development Process on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Phase 2](#).

The RDRS was developed to provide insight into the estimated volume of requests a possible System for Standardized Access/Disclosure (SSAD) may receive. In addition, the RDRS may provide other information that helps determine the costs or benefits of the SSAD recommendations and whether the community may consider updates to the existing policy recommendations.

For more background information on the previous work of the EPDP, please refer to the additional procedural history below.

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The ICANN Board [directed](#) ICANN org in February 2023 to develop and launch the WHOIS Disclosure System (System), now called RDRS, as requested by the GNSO Council. In November 2023, the RDRS launched, and ICANN org began collecting and publishing the metrics associated with the System. In January 2024, ICANN released the [first RDRS metrics report](#). The RDRS Standing Committee is responsible for



reviewing the monthly metrics reports and has also suggested RDRS system improvements, which ICANN org has implemented, where possible.

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

Further engagement and consultation are expected to continue between the Board, ICANN org, the GNSO Council, and the RDRS Standing Committee to collaborate on the review of the System. The GNSO Council has recommended that the RDRS run for a period of up to two (2) years, at which point, if not earlier, sufficient information should be available to make a determination on how to proceed with the SSAD recommendations. The ICANN80 meeting will mark the 6-month milestone meeting of the RDRS Standing Committee, and the Standing Committee plans to review six months of metrics and begin discussing and identifying trends.

### **WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE PROCEDURAL HISTORY OF THIS PROJECT?**

On 17 May 2018, the ICANN Board approved the Temporary Specification (TempSpec) for gTLD Registration Data to allow contracted parties to comply simultaneously with existing ICANN contractual requirements and the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This Board action triggered the GNSO Council's initiation of a PDP on 19 July 2018. The PDP was conducted in two phases: Phase 1 aimed to confirm, or not, the TempSpec by 25 May 2019; Phase 2 discussed, among other elements, a standardized access model to nonpublic registration data.

The GNSO Council approved the [Phase 2 Final Report](#) during its 24 September 2020 meeting by supermajority vote. The Final Report details the EPDP Team's recommendations for an SSAD to nonpublic gTLD registration data.

As part of its approval of the SSAD recommendations, the GNSO Council agreed to request a consultation with the ICANN Board. The goal is to discuss the financial sustainability of the SSAD, and concerns expressed in various minority statements.

Following the approval of the Phase 2 policy recommendations by the GNSO Council, the ICANN Board asked ICANN org to conduct an Operational Design Phase and produce an Operational Design Assessment (ODA) on the SSAD recommendations.

Following its review of the ODA, the GNSO Council [requested](#) the ICANN Board to direct the ICANN org to design a proof of concept.

ICANN org published a [Whois Disclosure System design paper](#) in September 2022 and presented it to the GNSO Council and small team during ICANN75. The GNSO Council, via a dedicated small team, reviewed the design paper, and ultimately [communicated](#) its support for the request that the ICANN Board proceed with the implementation of the Whois Disclosure System, now referred to as the RDRS. Furthermore, the GNSO Council confirmed to the ICANN Board that the Board's consideration of the Phase 2 SSAD recommendations should remain paused for up to 2 years.

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

For more information on the SSAD ODP, please visit this [page](#). For more information about the RDRS Standing Committee, please see [here](#).

### MORE INFORMATION

- [EPDP Phase 2 webpage](#)
- [EPDP workspace](#)
- [EPDP Phase 2 small team workspace](#)
- [RDRS Standing Committee workspace](#)
- [SSAD ODP webpage](#)
- [RDRS Usage metrics reports](#)

**RESPONSIBLE STAFF:** Caitlin Tubergen, Feodora Hamza



# Registration Data Accuracy Scoping Team

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN80 RELATED TO THIS TOPIC?

The scoping team’s activities are currently paused.

### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The GNSO Council adopted the [formation of and instructions](#) to the Accuracy Scoping Team during its 22 July 2021 meeting. The scoping team was tasked to consider the current enforcement and reporting of registration data accuracy. In addition, the scoping team was asked to consider how to measure accuracy. These considerations are expected to help inform its deliberations and the development of recommendations to the GNSO Council on whether changes are recommended to improve accuracy levels, and if so, how and by whom these changes would need to be developed.

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

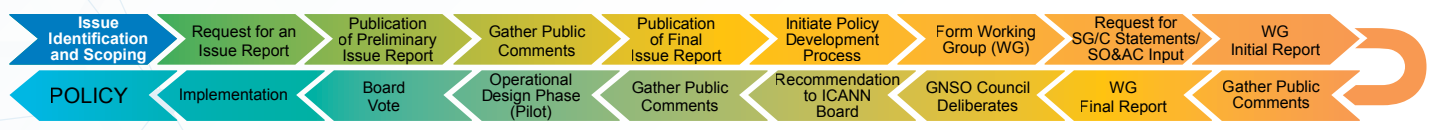
The scoping team started deliberations in October 2021. Following a review of proposals that may assist in the measurement of accuracy, the team submitted a [write-up](#) regarding Enforcement and Reporting and Measurement of Accuracy to the GNSO Council in September 2022. During its November 2022 meeting, the GNSO Council decided to adopt recommendation Number 3 of the write-up. It suggested, among other points, pausing the scoping team’s proposals which require access to gTLD registration data. The GNSO Council also encouraged ICANN org to proceed with outreach to the European Data Protection Board (EDPB) and proceeding with a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA), which is described in detail below.

In an attempt to advance the community’s efforts, the Board requested ICANN org to prepare specific scenarios for which it would consult with the EDPB concerning the legality of the proposed data processing under GDPR.

ICANN initially proposed four scenarios to determine whether it could produce useful material for the Accuracy Scoping Team, taking into account current contractual requirements and applicable laws.

[ICANN conducted a comprehensive assessment of the four scenarios](#), as well as DPIAs on scenarios two and four, and identified several deficiencies and challenges in pursuing them, which the GNSO Council discussed during its November meeting.

- Scenario 1, which involved analyzing publicly available registration data for accuracy, was deemed unfeasible due to the majority of personal registration data



being redacted from the public RDDS following the adoption of the TempSpec for gTLD Registration Data to comply with GDPR.

- Scenario 2 proposed a proactive Contractual Compliance audit of registrar compliance with registration data validation and verification requirements. While this audit could provide insights into compliance, it would not confirm the accuracy of underlying data related to registrants' identities and would require significant resources.
- Scenario 3 suggested analyzing a sample of full registration data provided by registrars, but this raised concerns regarding legal basis and GDPR compliance, as well as access to the data.
- Lastly, Scenario 4, a voluntary registrar survey on data accuracy, was paused pending feedback from ICANN. While the survey could offer insights into registrar practices, concerns were raised about potential disparities in participation and the voluntary nature of the survey.

In recognition of the current challenges in pursuing the scenarios, councilors noted that: barring (i) completion of the Data Processing Agreement, (ii) implementation of the Network and Information Security 2 directive, or (iii) publication of the Inferential Analysis of Maliciously Registered Domains Study, the GNSO Council decided to defer consideration for another six months during its February meeting.

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

Following further feedback from ICANN org and contracted parties, or after six months (by August 2024), whichever is shorter, the GNSO Council will consider how to proceed. This will include a review of the scoping team's formation and instructions, based on the feedback gathered from scoping team members by GNSO Council leadership. The GNSO Council agreed to further discuss the topic of accuracy during ICANN80.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

- [Scoping Team instructions](#)
- [Scoping Team workspace](#)
- [Assessment of Registration Data Accuracy Scenarios](#)

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# GNSO Schedule for ICANN80

Please confirm against the [final schedule](#) as changes may occur. For remote participation details, please consult this [wiki page](#), created by the GNSO Support Team. Live audio streaming, recording, and transcripts will become available after the meetings. Unless specified with the symbol [C], sessions published in this table are open to all. At the time of publishing, virtual meeting rooms have not yet been finalized. Please see the final schedule for further information.

DATE	MEETING
<b>Monday, 10 June 2024</b>	Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG) Membership Work Session
	Global Domains and Strategy (GDS): Subsequent Procedures Implementation Review Team (IRT) (1 of 3)
	Contracted Party House (CPH) Board Seat 13 Discussion [C]
	Registration Data Request Service (RDRS) Standing Committee Work Session
	Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns Constituency (NPOC) Membership Work Session
	Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) Working Session
	Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG) Membership Work Session
	CPH AGP and Fraud Meeting [C]
	Intellectual Property Constituency (IPC) Membership Work Session [C]

DATE	MEETING
<b>Tuesday, 11 June 2024</b>	Registrars and ICANN: Good RDRS Requests
	Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) Membership Work Session
	Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC) Issue Forum Work Session
	Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers (ISPCP) Membership Work Session
	GNSO Council Informal Session [C]
	Registrars Stakeholder Group (RrSG) Domain Name System (DNS) Abuse Amendment Compliance Table Top Session [C]
	Business Constituency (BC) Membership Work Session
	NCSG Policy Committee Work Session
	IPC Membership Work Session
	Transfer Policy Review (TPR) Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group
<b>Wednesday, 12 June 2024</b>	GDS: Subsequent Procedures Implementation Review Team (IRT) (2 of 3)
	NCUC Membership Work Session
	RrSG Membership Work Session (2 sessions)
	Non-Contracted Party House (NCPH) Work Session
	GNSO Council Public Meeting
	CPH Registration Data Implementation Discussion
<b>Thursday, 13 June 2024</b>	GDS: Subsequent Procedures Implementation Review Team (IRT) (3 of 3)
	GDS: Privacy and Proxy Services Accreditation Implementation (PPSAI) IRT Work Session
	CPH DNS Abuse Community Working Session
	GNSO Council Wrap-Up
	CPH Membership Work Session

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