

GNSO Policy Update Webinar



Tuesday, 20 May 2025 at 05:00 UTC

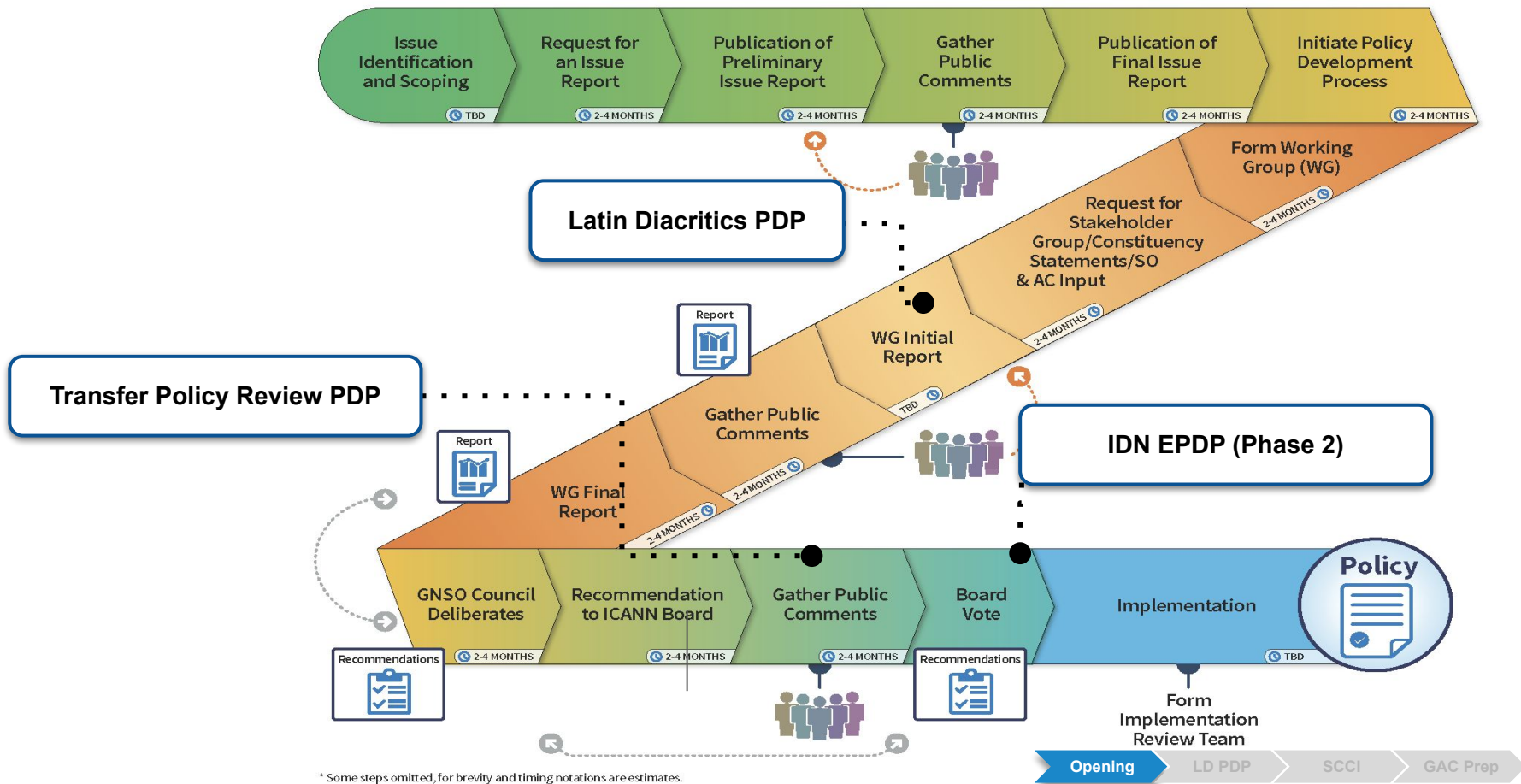
Agenda

- BINGO!
- Opening Remarks
- Latin Script Diacritics PDP
- Standing Committee on Continuous Improvement (SCCI)
- ICANN83 Joint GAC/GNSO Prep

BINGO!

GNSO Policy Development Process

*Standard and summarized policy development process



* Some steps omitted, for brevity and timing notations are estimates.

Latin Script Diacritics PDP

Presenter: Michael Bauland (Chair)

Latin Script Diacritics (LD) PDP Agenda

- What is the LD PDP About?
- Examples
- Established Scope to Date
- Briefing on Current Timeline and Progress
- GPI and HR Checklists Implemented when Recommendations Have Stabilized



Scope of Work

Examples within Scope Based on RZ-LGR Table for Latin Script

❖ Non-Variants

- Circumstances where a **base ASCII gTLD** and the **Latin script diacritic version of the gTLD** are **NOT** variants of each other

Language	With Diacritics	Diacritics Omitted
French	.déjà	.deja
Spanish	.español	.espanol
Portuguese	.violaão	.violao

These examples were also presented via the Final Issue Report

Scope of Work



Examples of Existing gTLDs and Potential Impact

	Existing gTLD	Potential Applied-for String
French	.hermes	“.hermès”
French	.lancome	“.lancôme”
French	.quebec	“.québec”




































***Note:**
Only showing
examples for
French. This list
was introduced
to the GNSO
Council during
ICANN78.



LD PDP Scope via Unicode Tables

0300

Combining Diacritical Marks

	030	031	032	033	034	035	036
0	 0300	 0310	 0320	 0330	 0340	 0350	 0360
1	 0301	 0311	 0321	 0331	 0341	 0351	 0361
2	 0302	 0312	 0322	 0332	 0342	 0352	 0362
3	 0303	 0313	 0323	 0333	 0343	 0353	 0363
.	 0304	 0314	 0324	 0334	 0344	 0354	 0364

LD PDP Scope via Unicode Tables

🔍 Understanding Diacritics via Unicode

❖ Unicode Character “á” (U+00E1)

➤ **Decomposition: a (U+0061) - ´ (U+0301)**

Out of scope (no diacritic)

00E6	æ	LATIN SMALL LETTER AE = latin small ligature ae (1.1) = ash (from Old English æsc) • Danish, Norwegian, Icelandic, Faroese, Old English, French, IPA
00F8	ø	LATIN SMALL LETTER O WITH STROKE = o slash
00F0	ð	LATIN SMALL LETTER ETH • Icelandic, Faroese, Old English, IPA • uppercase is 00D0 Ð

In scope (with diacritic)

00E7	ç	LATIN SMALL LETTER C WITH CEDILLA ≡ 0063 c 0327 ◌̣
00EE	î	LATIN SMALL LETTER I WITH CIRCUMFLEX ≡ 0069 i 0302 ◌̂
00FD	ý	LATIN SMALL LETTER Y WITH ACUTE • Czech, Slovak, Icelandic, Faroese, Welsh, Malagasy ≡ 0079 y 0301 ◌̇

Source: <https://www.unicode.org/charts/PDF/U0080.pdf>

.LD PDP: Scope of Work

Not in Scope:

No change but only to leverage outcomes

RZ-LGR

SSR

NON Variants

Confusingly
Similar

Diacritics per
Unicode

In Scope:

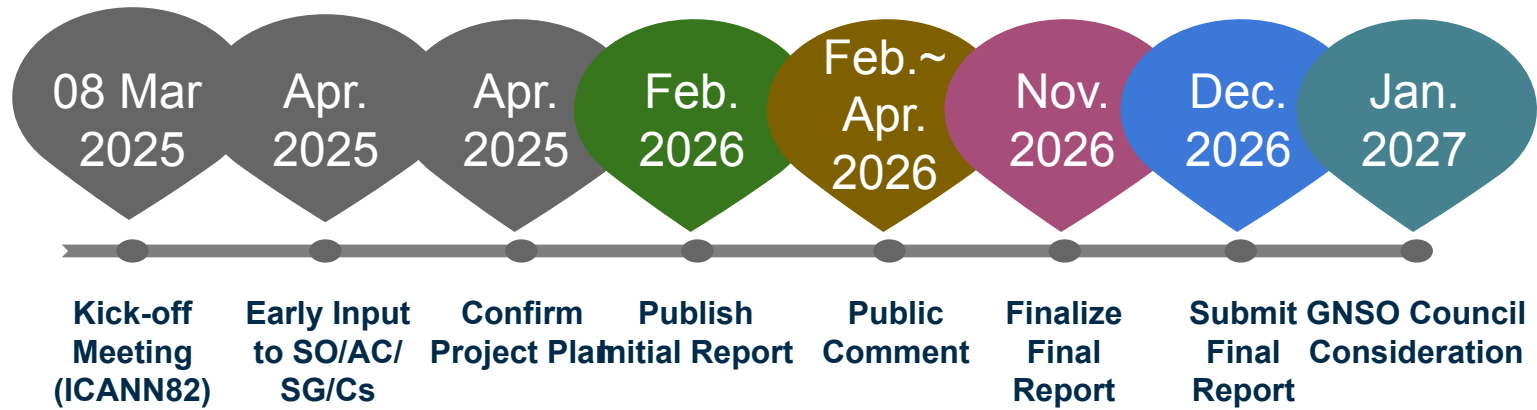
LD PDP WG
Recs in effect

Key Outcomes

- Base ASCII is a requirement for the delegation & operation of gTLDs
- Multiple diacritic cases (*multiple diacritics in the same letter as well as multiple [3 or more with no upper limits] diacritic versions of TLDs at the same time*)
- No limits to certain TLD types (real words or to geography or brand)
- Same entity to manage/operate the ASCII/diacritic versions
- All existing, applied-for, and new applications of ASCII-Latin diacritic gTLDs

Project Plan - *Approved by GNSO Council (Apr. 2025)*

Proposed Timeframe

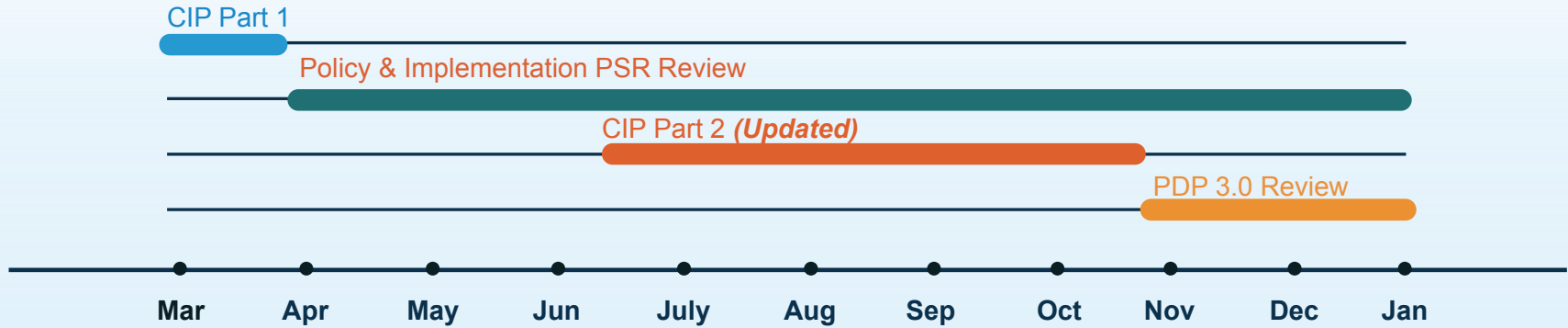


Standing Committee on Continuous Improvement (SCCI)

Presenter: Manju Chen (Chair)

Project Plan - Approved by GNSO Council (Apr.2025)

2025 Calendar Year**



● Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Part 1 - Criteria & Indicators

● Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Part 2 - Criteria & Indicators P2

● Policy & Implementation Policy Status Report (PSR) Review

● PDP 3.0 Review

*The current Project Plan for SCCI is only drafted for 2025 (Calendar Year).

**The timeline for upcoming work such as ATRT4, ATRT3, Board Readiness, Pilot Holistic Review, Organizational Review, Draft 5-yr Strategic Plan is yet to be determined.

SCCI: Progress Update

Accomplished Work

Policy & Implementation (P&I) Policy Status Report (PSR) Review



Origin

The P&I WG provided recommendations to the GNSO Council on implementation related discussions; Staff was requested to develop a PSR which was presented to the Council in February 2025.



Scope

The work for SCCI will be to review the P&I PSR and present to the Council with a draft implementation plan.



Key Deliverables

Implementation Report for Council consideration

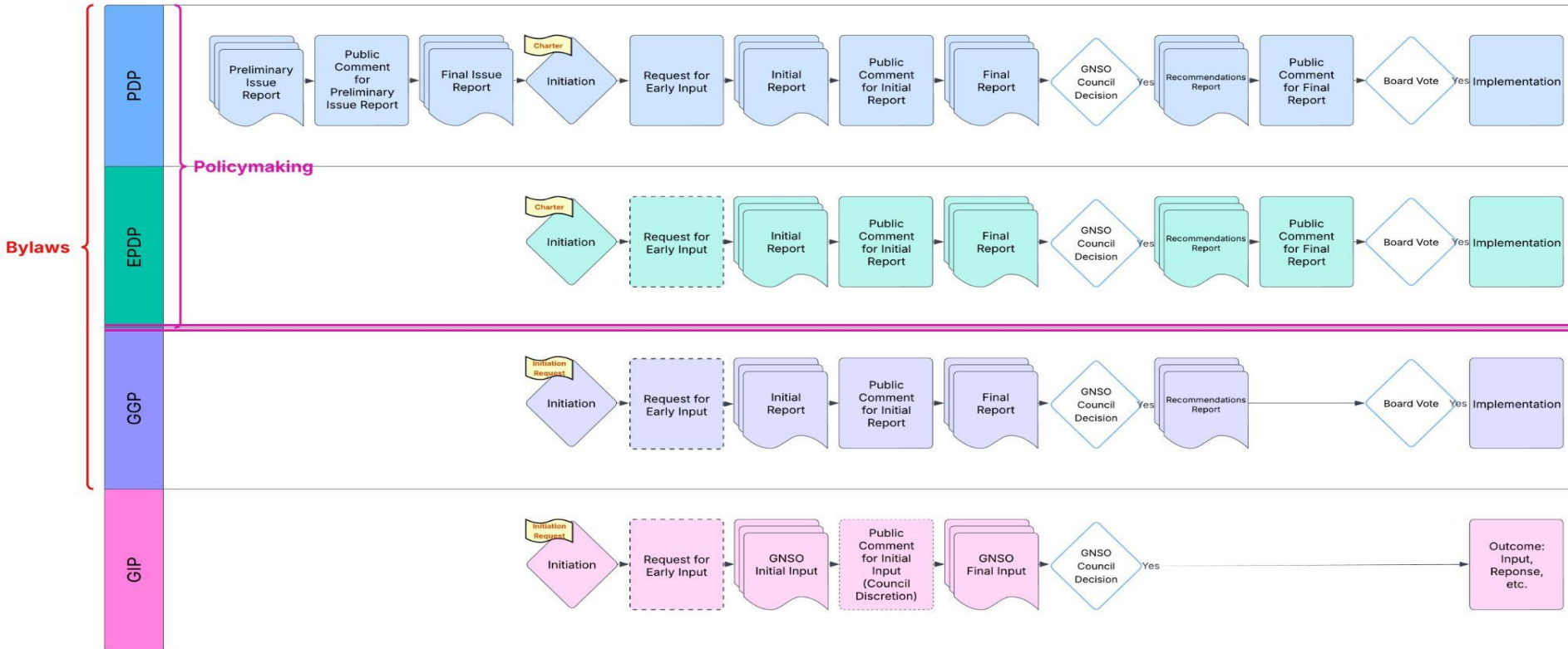


Next Step(s)

Support Staff to draft an Implementation Plan containing key suggestions and agreements from SCCI deliberations

SCCI: Progress Update

Accomplished Work on P&I PSR - Processes Comparison



SCCI: Overview of Upcoming Work

What is coming down the pipeline for SCCI in 2025?

Continuous Improvement Program (CIP): Framework Development



Origin

CIP is the result of ATRT3 Rec. 3.6 to evolve the Organizational Reviews, with a larger effort to enhance the effectiveness of the ICANN multistakeholder model.



Scope

The work for SCCI will be to formulate a CIP Framework for GNSO, including the Criteria and Indicators - Principle has been completed.



Key Deliverables

Part 1: Criteria (as necessary) and potential Indicators
Part 2: GNSO-specific Criteria/Indicators for Council's consideration



Next Step

SCCI to review existing Criteria and discuss potential Indicators

SCCI: Overview of Upcoming Work

What is coming down the pipeline for SCCI in 2025?

Policy Development Process (PDP) 3.0 Review



Origin

GNSO Council SPS (Jan.2018) tasked Staff to draft a PDP 3.0, analyzing the effectiveness of PDPs, which was later adopted; includes 14 agreed upon improvement strategies for implementation.



Scope

The work for SCCI is to implement the 14 improvement strategies and update the GNSO procedures/platforms, as appropriate.



Key Deliverables

Final Report and Implementation Project Plan



Next Step(s)

- Develop/confirm Project Plan (assignment form);
- Review Staff analysis of PDP 3.0 improvements

GAC/GNSO Meeting Prep

Presenter: Greg DiBiase (GNSO Chair)



ICANN83 Joint GNSO/GAC Meeting Prep

- Tuesday, 10 June 2025 10:45–11:30a.m. Prague Time
- Agenda Items for ICANN83 from joint GAC/GNSO leadership call:
 - 1) Introduction
 - 2) Accuracy
 - 3) Urgent Requests | Law Enforcement Authentication
 - 4) DNS Abuse

1) Introduction

- a) a high level overview of what the GNSO does and how it does it

2) Accuracy

- a) Provide a picture of diverging views on this topic, starting with the survey results. Try to determine a path towards consensus.
- b) As much as possible, seek to provide a concrete path forward, noting that the work is just starting. There will not yet be a result to share.
- c) While there will be a desire from the GAC for concrete dates for the start of a PDP, that will be difficult given the status of the GNSO Council small team.

3) Urgent Requests | Law Enforcement Authentication

- a) Awaiting authentication mechanism from GAC
- b) Work is progressing in the IRT

4) DNS Abuse

- a) Progress is being made on schedule, elaborate the work that is being done here

5) PLACEHOLDER: any preliminary GAC questions for discussion

Questions?

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