

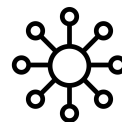
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# **Next Steps for SSAD Recommendations: Preparing for Board Dialogue**

# Next Steps for SSAD Recs

## SC's Rationale for Rec. 5 (Non-adoption)

- Ultimate goal is to “**achieve a functional policy** that adapts to the changed circumstances and **benefits from the lessons learned** of the RDRS pilot”.
- “Acknowledges that many of the EPDP Phase 2 recommendations were conceived and adopted by the GNSO Council as a **comprehensive and interdependent package**.”
- The SC “report and the previous ODA report **provide justification for rejecting the SSAD recommendations**”
- “**Language in the SSAD report** indicating the intent to treat the SSAD recommendations as a single package.”



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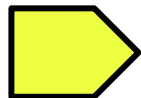
## Additional Considerations



SC recommends improvements to **all 18 recommendations**



**No practical advantage to adopting a subsection of recs**  
since implementation will not begin until SSAD is approved



**Familiar and previously successful approach** from SubPro  
(Small Team Plus → suppl. recs.)



# Next Steps for SSAD Recs

## What is non-adoption? (ICANN Bylaws, Annex A, Sec. 9) Process



1. Board has concerns with GNSO policy recommendations (not in best interest of ICANN) (A(9)(a))



2. Board **explains reasons for discomfort in a written statement** and provides to Council (A(9)(b))



3. **Opportunity for dialogue** b/w Board and Council (A(9)(c))



4. Council has **opportunity to discuss and develop** (via small team, for example) **Supp. Recs.** (A(9)(d))



5. **Council votes** on supplemental recommendations (when completed) (A(9)(d))



6. Council sends supplemental recommendations to Board (A(9)(d))



7. **Board votes** (A(9)(d))

# Non-Adoption

## IS

- Beginning of a dialogue b/w Board and Council
- Opportunity for Council to issue supp. Recs.
- Recommendation from representative RDRS Standing Committee

## IS NOT

- ✗ Equivalent to tossing all existing recs in the bin
- ✗ Implied invitation to undo years of community work and relitigate careful compromises
- ✗ Signal that Board will never adopt an SSAD