Registrar Constituency Participation On the GNSO Council

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The GNSO Council today:

Primarily Responsibility:
The Council Manages The Policy Development Process of the GNSO.

The GNSO Council is composed of three (3) Voting Representatives from Each ICANN Constituency:

- Registrars constituency
- gTLD Registries constituency
- Commercial and Business Users constituency
- Intellectual Property Interests constituency
- Internet Service and Connectivity Providers constituency
- Non-Commercial Users constituency



The RC and the GNSO Council

The RC has elected 3 representatives from 3 separate geographic regions to serve on the Council:

- AsiaPacific Adrian Kinderis (term expires end of annual meeting 2009)
- •Europe Stéphane van Gelder (term expires end of annual meeting 2010)
- North America Tim Ruiz (term expires end of annual meeting 2009)



Representing the Constituency

GNSO Council members generally represent their constituency viewpoints on policy issues by:

- •Voting on Policy Development Process matters (Contracted Parties representatives (Registrars and Registries) are accorded weighted (double) votes under the current GNSO voting system);
- •Sharing information with their constituency members about GNSO developments;
- Serving on Council task forces, working groups and drafting teams.



Commitments of the Councilors

Serving on the GNSO Council is a significant commitment.

- •The Council meets every 3 weeks usually via teleconference.
- •Face to face meetings 3 times a year (at each ICANN meeting).
- •Many other organizational, working group and task force meetings.
- Constant stream of email traffic from the ICANN community and the ICANN staff.



GNSO Working Groups, Task Forces and Drafting Teams 2008-2009

Active 2008-09 GNSO work groups, task forces and drafting teams on which various GNSO Council representatives are expected to serve*:

- Fast Flux Working Group

- WHOIS Study Drafting Team
 Registration Abuse Policy Drafting Team
 GNSO Travel Drafting Team
 Front Running Drafting Team
 Working Group On GNSO Council Restructuring
- ICANN Geographic Regions Drafting Group
 IDN Initial Report Drafting Group
- InterRegistar Domain Transfer Working Group
- •GNSO Domain Tasting Ad Hoc Group
 •GNSO Improvements Planning Team
 •Operations Steering Committee

- Policy Process Steering Committee



^{*} List not exhaustive

GNSO Improvements Background and Key Objectives

- Like all ICANN structures, the GNSO is subject to periodic independent review
- Current review began Feb 05
- Key objectives:
 - Maximizing the ability for all interested stakeholders to participate;
 - Ensuring recommendations can be developed on gTLD "consensus policies" for Board review, and that the subject matter of "consensus policies" is clearly defined;
 - Ensuring policy development is based on thoroughly-researched, well-scoped objectives, and are run in a predictable manner that yields results that can be implemented effectively;
 - Împroving communications and administrative support for GNSO objectives.

New GNSO Council Organization: June 2009



GNSO Council {20}
(1 NCA)



Contracted Party House {6+1}

Voting NCA

Non-Contracted Party House {12+1}

Voting NCA

Registry
Stakeholder
Group {3}

- Registries - Others Registrar Stakeholder Group {3}

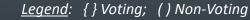
- Registrars
 - Others

Commercial Stakeholder Group {6}

- Business
- Intellectual Property
 Internet Svc Prov.
 - Others

Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group {6}

- Non Comm'l Users - Others



The Path To a New GNSO

- 1. The GNSO Council is working to develop the transition to the newly structured GNSO Council by June 2009 (see previous slide).
- Existing GNSO constituencies are preparing to submit their "re-confirmations" to the ICANN Board.
- 3. New Stakeholder Groups are developing petitions and charters for ICANN Board recognition, and
- 4. The GNSO is creating five special Work Teams to develop specific proposals, processes and mechanisms for implementing the ICANN Board's Recommendations.



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- Constituency Operations Team
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- Policy Development Process Team
- Working Group Model Team

To get involved:

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THANK YOU!

