

Independent Reviews

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Comprehensive Schedule

- Nominating Cmt. – est. launch December 2006
- At-Large Advisory Cmt. – est. launch February 2007
- DNS Root Server Syst. Adv. Cmt. – est. launch July 2007
- Board – est. launch October 2007
- Security & Stability Adv. Cmt. – est. launch January 2008
- ccNSO Supporting Org. – est. launch July 2008
- Address Supporting Org. – est. launch December 2008

Objectives

- Part of ICANN's ongoing commitment to improvement
- Intended to ensure independent examination of role & operation of key elements of ICANN
- Conducted in objective manner by independent evaluators
- Under guidance from the BGC/Board
- With opportunity for public comment on results of reviews.

Status

- Link on ICANN homepage provides public, comprehensive information & status on all ICANN independent reviews
- “Launching” review involves staff seeking input from relevant entity & developing draft TOR for BGC consideration

Process

1. Staff consults with subject of review & develops draft TOR
2. BGC considers draft TOR; Board approves posting for public comment
3. BGC considers final TOR; Board approves for posting
4. BGC considers process for selecting independent reviewer (could include considering/referring to Board Request for Proposals for posting)
5. BGC implements process for selecting independent reviewer, with appropriate Board coordination/approval
6. Independent reviewer conducts review
7. Independent reviewer submits review to Board & it's posted for public comment
8. Board considers review & resulting public comment, and BGC recommends follow-up action to the Board.

Status - GNSO

- Review completed Sept. 2006
- Public & constituency comments on review solicited, considered by BGC
- Board/GNSO dinner & GNSO Improvement Forum scheduled in Lisbon to solicit further input
- Creating “BGC GNSO Review Working Group” to help manage process to identify specific “GNSO Improvement” recommendations for public comments & BGC’s/Board’s consideration

Status – NomCom Review

- Final Terms of Reference and Request for Proposals posted
- RFP & outreach soliciting proposals for independent evaluators
- Creating “BGC NomCom Review Working Group” to help manage review process, including vetting, recommending independent evaluator

Status – ALAC Review

- Staff solicited input from At-Large
- Draft Terms of Reference developed for BGC/Board consideration and posting for public comment

Comments

- Information/updates on all reviews:
<http://icann.org/reviews/index.htm>
- Email comments on GNSO Review to:
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