

**From:** Gnso-epdp-team on behalf of Marika Konings

**Date:** Friday, May 10, 2019

**To:** Goran Marby

**Subject:** [Gnso-epdp-team] Response to 1 May letter re. collaboration with EPDP Team

*Sending on behalf of Janis Karklins, EPDP Team Phase 2 Chair*

Dear Göran,

Thank you very much for your letter dated 1 May 2019. The EPDP Team had a first exchange of views during its meeting on 2 May concerning your request for the EPDP Team to identify “a small number of representatives who, on behalf of the EPDP Team, would work with ICANN org, to move forward these discussions” on the Unified Access Model (UAM) based on the model proposed by the Technical Study Group (TSG) with the European Commission and Data Protection Authorities.

During the discussion, no objections were raised, though some reservations were voiced. Therefore, before being able to respond to your request, the EPDP Team would like to ask you for some further information in relation to your expectations regarding, amongst others:

- What is the expected scope of work of the small group and could examples of the types of questions / issues the group is expected to work on be provided?
- Size of the group when you refer to ‘a small number’, factoring in that the EPDP Team has a representative composition, as well as desired expertise;
- Expected mode of operation for this work with ICANN Org, what does collaboration look like? – from the EPDP Team’s side there is an expectation that there would be full transparency around these discussions as well as engagement with the European Commission and Data Protection Authorities;
- Time commitment and duration – what is the expected time commitment for this collaboration and is there any indication of when this work is expected to conclude?

In the meantime, taking into account tonality of e-mail exchange among the Team members and aware that constitution of the small group may consume too much time, I proposed to the Team to use a plenary format for engagement with ICANN Org on topics under consideration.

As the EPDP Team is eager to move forward with its planning for phase 2, we hope that you can provide us with a response in time for further consideration during the EPDP Team’s next meeting which is scheduled for Thursday 16 May.

I look forward to your response.

Janis Karklins

EPDP Team Phase 2 Chair