ccNSO Participation Working Group Charter

1. **Description and Goal**

The Working Group (WG) was created at the Puerto Rico ICANN meeting in June 2007.

WG Membership is open to all ccTLDs and Regional ccTLD organisations, whether members of the ccNSO or otherwise. The WG's goal is to improve the participation of ccTLD managers in the ccNSO and regional organisations, for the benefit of all ccTLDs and the industry generally.

2. Chair, Members and Support

Chair: Lesley Cowley, .uk

Members: Atef Loukil, .tn Jeremy Whyte, .jm

Ben Fuller, .na
Christopher To, .hk
David Archbold, .ky
Dotty Sparks de Blanc, .vi
Giovanni Seppia, .eu

Juhani Juselius, .fi
Keith Davidson, .nz
Lee Humphries, .sb
Ming-Cheng Liang, .tw
Oscar Robles, .mx

Hilde Thunem, .no Siavash Shahshahani, .ir

Regional Organisations: Don Hollander, APTLD

Michuki Mwange, AFTLD

Margarita Valdés Cortés, LACTLD

Peter van Roste, CENTR

Liaisons: Ron Sherwood, ALAC Liaison

ICANN Regional Liaisons

Support: Bart Boswinkel, ICANN staff

Gabriella Schittek, ICANN staff

3. Scope

- To research and report on the current level of participation in the ccNSO
- Via the regional organisations, to research and report on the current level of participation in regional organisations.
- To research and report on the barriers to participation and to propose solutions, where possible.
- To research and report on the opportunities for the ccNSO to better serve the ccTLD community.
- To develop and recommend improvements to communications regarding the benefits of ccTLD manager participation and the roles of both the ccNSO and regional organisations.
- To develop and recommend proposals regarding the possible establishment of a clearer relationship between the ccNSO and regional organisations
- To take a leading role in the implementation of solutions and improvements to improve the participation of ccTLD managers in the ccNSO and regional organisations, where appropriate.

4. **Duration**

The WG duration will be for up to one year from the date its Charter is agreed. When the WG determines that it has completed its work, it will submit a final report to the ccNSO and recommend the closure of the WG. The continuance and Charter of the WG will be reviewed on a regular basis by the ccNSO.

5. **Reporting**

The WG Chair will report to each ccNSO meeting regarding WG progress.