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GNSO Council Action Items - LINK	NA	NA	NA	Refer to action list for latest status

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3 – Initiation

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<p>Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs Issue Report Staff: M. Wong. L. Hoffmann</p> <p>The GNSO Council requested an Issue Report on rights protection mechanisms that had been developed for all gTLDs, including those for the New gTLD Program, to be delivered 18 months after the launch of the first New gTLD. This timeline was subsequently extended for a further 6 months by the Council following a staff request.</p>	2011-Feb-03	ongoing	Council	The public comment period for the Preliminary Issue Report on a potential GNSO PDP to review all rights protection mechanisms (RPMs) in all gTLDs closed on 30 November 2015 and 22 submissions were made. Staff published the public comment summary on 2 December and completed the final Issue Report which has been submitted to the GNSO Council for its consideration at its February meeting.

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<p>New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Chair(s): TBC Council Liaison: Paul McGrady Staff: S. Chan, J. Hedlund</p>	2014-Jun-25	2015-Dec	Council	<p>Based primarily on the work of the new gTLD Subsequent Procedures Discussion Group, the GNSO requested a Preliminary Issue Report on New gTLD Subsequent Procedures at its meeting on 25 June 2015. The Preliminary Issue Report was completed and published for public comment (https://www.icann.org/public-comments/new-gtld-subsequent-prelim-2015-08-31-en) on 31 August 2015 with a close date of 30 October 2015.</p> <p>Incorporating the feedback from a public session on the Preliminary Issue Report at ICANN 54 in Dublin and public comments received, staff submitted the Final Issue Report to the GNSO Council on 4 December. The GNSO Council voted to initiate a PDP during its 17 December meeting, but deferred the vote on a motion to approve the Charter in order to properly account for RPMs related work between this PDP and the anticipated PDP on RPM review. The Charter was adopted during the 21 January meeting and the WG is seeking volunteers, with the WG expected to have its first meeting at the end of February.</p>
<p>PDP on the next generation gTLD Registration Directory Service to replace WHOIS Chair: Chuck Gomes Vice-Chairs: David Cake, Michele Neylon, Susan Kawaguchi Council liaison: Susan Kawaguchi Staff: M. Konings</p>	2012-Nov-8	Ongoing	WG	<p>The ICANN Board reconfirmed its request for a Board-initiated GNSO PDP to define the purpose of collecting, maintaining and providing access to gTLD registration data, and consider safeguards for protecting data, using the recommendations in the EWG Final Report as an input to, and, if appropriate, as the foundation for a new gTLD policy. The Preliminary Issue Report was published for public comment on 13 July, with the comment period closing on 6 September (see https://www.icann.org/public-comments/rds-prelim-issue-2015-07-13-en). The Final Issue Report was sent to the GNSO Council on 7 October (see http://whois.icann.org/sites/default/files/files/final-issue-report-next-generation-rds-07oct15-en.pdf), and the charter for the PDP WG was adopted during the Council's meeting on 19 November. A call for volunteers to form the PDP WG was published on 4 January 2016. The WG held its first meeting on 26 January 2016 and has agreed to meet weekly. At its most recent meeting, the WG agreed that Chuck Gomes would chair the WG and would assemble a leadership team from amongst the other community members who volunteered to co-chair or be a vice-chair.</p>

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<p>GNSO ICANN Meeting Strategy Drafting Team Council Lead: Volker Greimann Staff support: M. Konings, G. de Saint-Gery</p>	2015-Feb-11	ICANN54	DT	<p>The GNSO Council agreed during its meeting in Singapore to form a drafting team to develop a proposed framework for GNSO related meetings as part of the new ICANN meeting strategy which will go into effect in 2016. The DT developed a draft proposed approach which was shared with other SO/ACs for discussion in Buenos Aires. Following that meeting a letter was sent by Jonathan Robinson on behalf of the GNSO Council to inform the ICANN Board of the progress to date and to request the ICANN Board to share further information concerning its plans. Some further discussions between the different SO/ACs took place during the ICANN meeting in Dublin (see also https://community.icann.org/x/_o5Caw) and are expected to continue prior to the Marrakech meeting.</p>
<p>Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability Co-Chairs: Mathieu Weill (ccNSO), Thomas Rickert (GNSO), Leon Sanchez (ALAC) Staff support: G. Abuhamad, A. Jansen</p>	2014-Oct-16	Ongoing	CCWG/Council	<p>The GNSO Council approved the CCWG Charter at its November 2014 meeting. The charter was also approved by the ccNSO, GAC and ALAC, in addition to the GNSO. The CCWG has a near-term focus of collecting current and possible future accountability mechanisms to be assigned in Work Streams 1 & 2, with WS1 being considered the more urgent accountability mechanisms required for the IANA Stewardship transition to take place. The CCWG formed three Work Parties to further develop Community Powers, Accountability Mechanisms, and Stress Tests. Legal advisors were engaged to assist the CCWG as well. After review of the public comments on the first version of the WS1 proposal, face to face sessions at ICANN53 and a subsequent face to face meeting in Paris, the CCWG launched a second public comment period based on the proposed single member community mechanism on 3 Aug 2015, closing on 12 Sept 2015. Additionally, the ICANN Board submitted its comments regarding a multi-stakeholder model for the CCWG to consider. Following sessions in Dublin, the CCWG co-chairs issued a preliminary summary on 15 November and the full Third Draft Proposal was published on 30 November, with public comments closing on 21 December. SO/AC Chartering Organizations were requested to consider whether to approve the proposal as early as possible, and the GNSO Council scheduled an additional meeting on 14 January 2016 to discuss its response to the CCWG. The Council finalized its response at its 21 January meeting. The CCWG is expected to release a Supplemental Proposal, having</p>

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				considered feedback from all its Chartering Organizations, in time for approval by the Chartering Organizations at the latest in Marrakech. The GNSO Council is considering scheduling an additional meeting on 29 February to discuss the matter.
<p>Curative Rights Protections for IGO/INGOs Chair: Philip Corwin, Petter Rindforth Council Liaison: Susan Kawaguchi Staff: M. Wong, S. Chan</p> <p>The PDP WG is tasked to explore possible amendments to the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) and the Uniform Rapid Suspension procedure (URS) so as to enable International Governmental Organizations (IGOs) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) to access and use curative rights protection mechanisms</p>	2014-Jun-05	Ongoing	WG	<p>Based on the recommendation of the IGO-INGO PDP Working Group, the GNSO Council resolved to initiate a PDP and chartered a WG in June 2014. The WG has made considerable progress in its Work Plan and is focusing its attention on IGOs, as it has preliminarily determined that INGOs do not appear to require additional protections. The WG has reached a preliminary conclusion on the issue of standing and is currently discussing jurisdictional immunity for IGOs within the construct of rights protection mechanisms. It has decided to procure the services of an external legal expert on this topic, selecting Professor Edward Swaine from George Washington University to perform the work. Professor Swaine provided a preliminary opinion at the end of January, which is currently being reviewed by the co-chairs prior to further discussion by the full WG.</p> <p>A follow up set of questions was sent to the IGOs on the issue of IGO immunity as well. The WG is currently also anticipating the delivery of a proposal from the small group of NGPC, GAC and IGO representatives that was formed on the topic. It expects to conduct further engagement with the GAC and IGOs upon receipt of the proposal. An open WG meeting was held in Dublin to update the community.</p>
<p>GNSO Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI) Chair: Rudi Vansnick Vice-Chair: Anne Aikman-Scalise Council Liaison: Amr Elsadr Staff: J. Hedlund, M. Wong</p> <p>The GNSO Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI) reviews</p>	2011-Apr-07	Ongoing	SCI	<p>In April 2015 the GNSO Council consented to referring two issue requests to the SCI for consideration. The first concerned GNSO Council practices for proposing, seconding, and amending motions and the second concerned the clarifying of the GNSO Operating Procedures regarding the waiver and resubmission of motions. On the latter topic, the SCI reached consensus that the GNSO Operating Procedures are sufficiently clear that the waiver of the 10-day deadline for motions does not apply to resubmitted motions. The SCI sent a letter on 09 October notifying the GNSO Council of its decision. On the first topic the SCI documented the Council's current practice in relation to motions</p>

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and assesses the effective functioning of recommendations related to GNSO Improvements that have been approved by the Council. It is a standing committee of the GNSO Council.				(include amendments) and sent a letter on 09 October with the documented practice to the GNSO Council, thus completing the first step in the Review Request. The SCI is currently discussing the second step as to whether and/or how the GNSO Operating Procedures might be changed. At its 19 November meeting the GNSO Council approved a motion to ask the SCI to review Sections 2.2(f) and 2.2(g) of the GNSO Operating Procedures (i.e. GNSO Council Vice-Chairs serving as interim GNSO Chairs, and posting of GNSO Chair election results). At its meeting on 10 December the SCI agreed to establish two Sub Teams to consider the two issue requests. The Sub Teams began their work in late January 2016.
<p>GNSO PDP Improvements Implementation Discussion Group Volunteers: Staff: M. Konings, Lars Hoffmann</p> <p>The GNSO Council agreed to form a small committee of interested Council members to work with staff on the implementation of the GNSO PDP Improvements (see http://gns0.icann.org/en/drafts/pdp-improvements-table-16jan14-en.pdf), particularly items 3 (Increase pool of PDP volunteers) and 5 (Improved online tools & training) .</p>	2014-Jan-30	Ongoing	Council /Staff	<p>The group has been dormant awaiting the development of further initiatives and assessment of further need for consultation by staff.</p> <p>Staff provided a status update on the implementation of the recommendations during the ICANN meeting in Buenos Aires and will continue to move forward with the implementation of the previously identified GNSO PDP improvements, incorporating the suggestions made.</p> <p>Following very helpful feedback from the Community, Staff completed the GNSO Learn module and presented it to the GNSO in Dublin. The course is live and a social media campaign to promote was launched in November 2015.</p>
<p>GNSO Review Working Party Lead: Jennifer Wolfe Staff: M. Konings, M. Wong</p> <p>Following discussions in Singapore, the GNSO Council agreed to form a small committee to liaise with the Board’s Structural Improvements</p>	2014-Apr-07	Ongoing	Working Party	Westlake, the independent examiner selected by the SIC , shared its draft Workng Text with the GNSO Review Working Party after ICANN52 and met with the Working Party to discuss its and SG/C feedback received. As a result of the feedback and discussions, the timeline was extended to allow Westlake to fully consider and incorporate corrections and suggestions from the community. A Draft Report was delivered to the Working Party in late April, and two meetings with the Working Party were held to receive and review input. The Initial

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<p>Committee (now the Organizational Effectiveness Committee (OEC)) on the GNSO Review and discuss a potential self-review of the GNSO Council.</p>				<p>Report was published for public comment on 1 June, with the comment period closing on 24 July: https://www.icann.org/public-comments/gnso-review-draft-2015-06-01-en. A final report was published on 15 September: see https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2-2015-09-15-en. The GNSO Review Working Party has met to discuss the final report, and plans to submit feedback to the Board's OEC. It has finalized its feedback on the final report and is discussing issues relating to implementability of the recommendations. It is expected to submit its recommendations on implementation to the GNSO Council by Marrakech.</p>
<p>GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on GAC Early Engagement in GNSO PDP Chairs: Jonathan Robinson (GNSO) and Manal Ismail (GAC) Staff: M. Konings, O. Nordling</p> <p>The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) and the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) have jointly established a consultation group to explore ways for the GAC to engage early in the GNSO Policy Development Process (PDP) and to improve overall cooperation between the two bodies (for example, by exploring the option of a liaison).</p>	2014-Jan-07	Ongoing	CG	<p>The launch of this GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on Early Engagement is the result of discussions between the two entities at the ICANN meeting in Buenos Aires as well as previous ICANN meetings, reflecting a joint desire to explore and enhance ways of early engagement in relation to GNSO policy development activities. The issue was also specifically called-out by both Accountability and Transparency Review Teams (ATRT). The CG reconvened following the ICANN meeting in Dublin and has nearly completed its work on the review of the GNSO Liaison to the GAC, the review of the Quick Look Mechanism as well as identifying other opportunities for early engagement of the GAC in the GNSO PDP.</p>
<p>Cross-Community Working Group- on a Framework of CWG Principles GNSO Council Co-Chair: John Berard ccNSO Council Co-Chair: Becky Burr Staff: M. Wong, B. Boswinkel, S. Chan</p> <p>The CWG was chartered by the ccNSO and</p>	2011-May-19	Ongoing	CWG	<p>This Cross-Community Working Group was chartered by both the ccNSO and GNSO Councils in March 2014. The CWG has reviewed the processes and outcomes of selected prior CWGs, including mapping their charters to the typical WG life cycle (Initiation of CWG, Formation, Operation, Closure, Post-Closure). As a result of the recent further usage of new CWGs, the co-chairs and staff prepared a preliminary draft checklist for all the various stages of the WG life cycle, which was shared with the community at the Buenos Aires</p>

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GNSO Councils to further refine the principles initially drafted by the GNSO and commented on by the ccNSO for the formation, operation and termination of future cross-community working groups.				meeting. A revised draft framework was prepared by staff and shared with the CWG for their review. The draft framework has been updated following CWG feedback. It is expected to be circulated to the Chartering Organizations, as well as published for public comment, in late February.
<p>Cross-Community Working Group to develop a framework for the use of Country and Territory names as TLDs (CWG-UCTN)</p> <p>GNSO Council Co-Chairs: Heather Forrest, Carlos Gutierrez ccNSO Council Co-Chairs: Paul Szyndler, Annabeth Lange Council liaison: Heather Forrest Staff: M. Konings, B. Boswinkel, Lars Hoffmann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The objective of the CWG is to: Further review the current status of representations of country and territory names, as they exist under current ICANN policies, guidelines and procedures; Provide advice regarding the feasibility of developing a consistent and uniform definitional framework that could be applicable across the respective SO's and AC's; and Should such a framework be deemed feasible, provide detailed advice as to the content of the framework. 	2014-Mar-26	Ongoing	CWG	The CWG is using a straw man Options Paper to drive forward its discussion and has just concluded its work on two-letter codes. The Group is now discussing 3-letter codes and has sent out a request for input to all SO/ACs and SG/Cs – over thirty responses have come back and the Group has started its discussion on this complex issue. Communication channels with the GAC remain upon regarding potentially overlapping work efforts and the GAC invited the CWG-UCTN to meet during ICANN55. CWG-UCTN members will also meet face-to-face in Marrakech.
<p>Cross-Community Working Group on Internet Governance (CCWG-IG)</p> <p>Co-Chairs: Rafik Damak (GNSO), Jordan Carter</p>	2014-Oct-15	Ongoing	CCWG	The GNSO Council adopted the charter for this CCWG during ICANN51. The CCWG held a community session at ICANN53. It requested confirmation from its Chartering Organizations regarding a question of interpretation of its

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<p>(ccNSO), Olivier Crepin-Leblond (ALAC) GNSO Council Liaison: Carlos Gutierrez Staff: A-R Inne, N. Hickson, R. Dewulf</p> <p>The Internet Governance CWG has been established by the participating SO's and AC's to coordinate, facilitate, and increase the participation of the ICANN community in discussions and processes pertaining to Internet Governance.</p>				<p>charter, which the GNSO Council agreed to at its May 2015 meeting.</p>

5 – Council Deliberation

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6 – Board Vote

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<p>Privacy & Proxy Services Accreditation Issues PDP WG Chair: Don Blumenthal Vice-Chairs: Graeme Bunton, Steve Metalitz Council Liaison: James Bladel Staff: M. Wong, M. Konings</p> <p>The <i>Registrar Accreditation Agreement</i> (RAA), the contract governing the relationship between ICANN and accredited registrars, has been in place since 2001. The Board initiated negotiations for a new RAA in October 2011, and requested an Issue Report from the GNSO at the same time. The final version of the new RAA was approved by the Board in June 2013, thereby signifying that the RAA negotiations were concluded. Per the Board’s 2011 request, the remaining issues, which have been identified as those relating to privacy & proxy services and their accreditation, will be examined in this PDP.</p>	2009-May-21	Ongoing	Council/Board	<p>The WG’s Initial Report was published for public comment on 5 May: see https://www.icann.org/public-comments/ppsai-initial-2015-05-05-en, and closed on 7 July. Following a community session in Buenos Aires to discuss the Initial Report, the WG began its review of all public comments received. Due to the volume of comments, the WG created four Sub Teams to facilitate review of the comments, and revised its timeline for completion of its Final Report. It held a face to face meeting at ICANN54, following which it completed its Final Report. The Final Report was sent to the GNSO Council on 8 December 2015 (see http://gns0.icann.org/en/issues/raa/ppsai-final-07dec15-en.pdf). The Council agreed to defer a vote on the report to its 21 January meeting, to allow all SG/Cs sufficient time to consider the final recommendations from the WG. At the 21 January meeting, the GNSO Council voted unanimously to approve all the WG’s final recommendations. A public comment forum has been opened to allow the public to comment (through 16 March) on the recommendations prior to Board action, as required by the ICANN Bylaws: see https://www.icann.org/public-comments/ppsai-recommendations-2016-02-05-en. The Bylaws also require that the Council approve a Recommendations Report to the ICANN Board; this will be on the Council’s agenda for its 18 February meeting.</p>
<p>Protection of International Organization Names in All gTLDs Staff: M. Wong, Steve Chan, Berry Cobb Chair: Thomas Rickert</p>	2012-Apr-12	2014-Dec-11	Board/Council/IRT	<p>The GNSO Council unanimously approved the IGO-INGO WG’s consensus recommendations at its 20 Nov 2013 meeting. As requested by the Board, the NGPC developed a proposal taking into account the GNSO’s recommendations and GAC advice in March 2014. In April 2014 the Board voted to adopt those of the GNSO’s recommendations that are not inconsistent with GAC advice received on the topic. Staff has organized an Implementation Review Team (in line with the GNSO’s recommendation), led by Fabien Betremieux, to implement those recommendations adopted by the Board (See below in the “7 – Implementation” section for more details). A Call for Volunteers to the IRT was issued following the Buenos Aires meeting and the IRT held its first meeting in late September. It met again in Dublin and reconvened in late</p>

6 – Board Vote

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				<p>January 2016 following further staff work on a proposed implementation plan.</p> <p>On 18 June 2014 the NGPC sent a letter to the GNSO Council requesting that the GNSO contemplate initiating a process to consider possible modifications to its remaining recommendations, per the PDP Manual. The GNSO Council held a discussion with Chris Disspain at its 5 September meeting and sent a letter on 7 Oct 2014 to the NGPC seeking confirmation and input about the most appropriate forms of protection for IGO acronyms and Red Cross names. At the ICANN51 meeting the NGPC adopted a resolution to temporarily reserve the Red Cross National Society identifiers until the differences between the GNSO recommendations and the GAC Advice have been reconciled. Staff is currently working on implementing this resolution, with assistance from the Red Cross. A response from the NGPC to the Council’s letter was received on 15 January 2015 noting that discussions are ongoing. The Council is likely to await further and more definite information from the NGPC before taking any further action on this point. An updated proposal from a small group of IGO, GAC and NGPC representatives is expected to be delivered to the GNSO for consideration following ICANN54.</p>
<p>Geo Regions Review Community-wide Working Group Chair: Cheryl Langdon-Orr (ccNSO/APRALO) GNSO Council Reps: Staff: R. Hoggarth This Board-chartered cross community WG has consulted with ICANN stakeholders regarding the definition and applications of ICANN’s Geographic Regions.</p>	2008-Aug-07	April 2016	Board	<p>A community Public Comment opportunity has been established for this matter (see https://www.icann.org/public-comments/geo-regions-2015-12-23-en. Comments are due 24 April 2016.</p>

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<p>GNSO Data & Metrics for Policy Making WG (DMPM) Staff: S. Chan, L. Hoffmann</p> <p>The Data & Metrics for Policy Making Working Group (WG) explored opportunities to review standard methodologies of reporting and metrics that could better inform fact-based policy development and decision making; including how the community can collaborate with Contracted Parties and other service providers in the sharing of metrics and data.</p>	2012-Oct-17	Ongoing	Staff	The DMPM completed its Final Report and submitted it to the GNSO Council for its consideration at the Dublin meeting. The recommendations were unanimously adopted. Staff is now implementing the WG's recommendations. Work product templates have been published and staff awaits final Board action for the GNSO Operating Procedures to finalize posting on the GNSO site. Further, in preparation for implementation of the pilot effort, a draft community budget request will be filed in collaboration with GNSO Council leadership consideration.
<p>Policy & Implementation</p>	2013-May-09	Ongoing	Staff	The Council voted to adopt the Policy & Implementation Final Report and its recommendations during its public meeting in Buenos Aires. At its last meeting on 28 September, the Board approved the proposed Bylaw changes associated with the recommendations. Implementation of the changes to the necessary Bylaws and GNSO procedures is underway.
<p>Translation/Transliteration of Internationalized Registration Data PDP</p>	2012-Oct-17	Ongoing	Staff	On 28 September the ICANN Board passed the motion to adopt all seven recommendations contained in the Final Report. GDD Staff will be currently working on the Implementation Review plan, a call for volunteers to joining the Implementation Review Team is forthcoming.
<p>IRTP Part C Recommendations The GNSO Council unanimously adopted the recommendations of the IRTP Part C PDP at its meeting on 17 October 2012 (see http://gns0.icann.org/en/resolutions#20121017-4).</p>	17 Oct 2012	1 Sept 2015	Staff	The ICANN Board adopted the IRTP Part C recommendations at its meeting in December 2012 (see https://www.icann.org/en/groups/board/documents/resolutions-20dec12-en.htm#2.a). As instructed by the GNSO Council, an Implementation Review Team was formed. Meetings of the IRT have recommenced and details of the proposed implementation plan have been shared with the IRT. Staff sought input from the IRT on the Change of Registrant draft policy language, and the draft policy was posted for public comment on 30 March 2015. Comments were due 16 May 2015, and the IRT reviewed the comments received. The updated Transfer Policy was announced on 24 September 2015 (see

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				https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2-2015-09-24-en). The updated Transfer Policy will be effective for all ICANN-accredited registrars 1 August 2016.
<p>Thick WHOIS PDP Recommendations The GNSO Council adopted the recommendation to require Thick Whois for all gTLD registries at its meeting on 31 October 2013.</p>	2012-Mar-14	Ongoing	Staff	<p>The ICANN Board approved the GNSO recommendations on Thick Whois at its meeting on 7 February 2014. (http://www.icann.org/en/groups/board/documents/resolutions-07feb14-en.htm). An Implementation Review Team has been formed and various impact assessments and implementation proposals have been discussed with the IRT in the two decoupled work streams, corresponding to the two expected outcomes in the PDP Recommendations: transition from thin to thick for .COM, .NET and .JOBS; and the consistent labeling and display of Whois output for all gTLDs as per Specification 3 of the 2013 RAA. Further discussions of the proposals, issues, and risks are being planned in subsequent IRT sessions. Regarding the transition from thin to thick for .COM, .NET and .JOBS, in June 2015, ICANN’s General Counsel’s Office, released to the IRT a Legal Review Memorandum per the GNSO Council’s recommendation. ICANN Staff is currently engaging with experts from affected parties on draft implementation proposals to address data transfer restrictions and potential conflicts with local laws.</p> <p>Regarding the Consistent Labeling and Display of Whois output for all gTLDs, ICANN Staff, in conjunction with the IRT have been working together to develop a Draft Consensus Policy on which Community input will soon be sought.</p>

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<p>Protection of International Organization Names in All gTLDs</p> <p>The GNSO Council adopted the recommendation to protect certain identifiers of IGO & INGO Organizations in all gTLD registries at its meeting on 20 November 2013.</p>	2012-Apr-12	Ongoing	Staff/IRT	<p>The GNSO Council unanimously approved the IGO-INGO WG’s consensus recommendations at its 20 Nov 2013 meeting. In April 2014 the Board voted to adopt those of the GNSO’s recommendations that are not inconsistent with GAC advice received on the topic. Staff has formed an Implementation Review Team (in line with the GNSO’s recommendation), led by Fabien Betremieux, to implement those recommendations adopted by the Board.</p> <p>A call for IRT volunteers was issued after the ICANN 53 meeting and the first meeting held in September. The IRT also met at ICANN54 and will reconvene on 21 January following further staff work on a proposed implementation plan.</p> <p>To date, ICANN Staff has been working on building comprehensive and actionable lists of all the identifiers to be protected as well as draft procedures for eventual implementation of relevant protections: reservations at the top and second levels and related exception procedures. A Draft Consensus Policy Outline has been circulated to the IRT and will serve to support the continuing development of the implementation plan.</p>
<p><u>IRTP Part D PDP WG</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GNSO Council unanimously adopted the recommendations of the IRTP Part D PDP at its meeting on 15 October 2014 (see http://gns0.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#20141015-1). 	2012-Oct-17	Ongoing	Staff	<p>The ICANN Board approved the GNSO recommendations of IRTP D on 12 February 2015 (https://www.icann.org/resources/board-material/resolutions-2015-02-12-en#1.d). GDD staff has drafted an Implementation Plan and the Implementation Review Team (IRT) has been meeting on a biweekly basis since August. The draft Transfer Dispute Resolution Policy and draft Transfer Policy were posted for public comment on 10 November 2015. The comment period closes 21 December 2015. The IRT will review all of the comments received in its upcoming meetings.</p>

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Description	Initiated	Target Date	Who holds Token	Pending action/status
<p>Cross Community Working Group to Develop an IANA Stewardship Transfer Proposal on naming related functions</p> <p>Co-Chairs: Jonathan Robinson (GNSO), Lise Fuhr (ccNSO) Council Liaison: Jonathan Robinson Staff: M. Konings, B. Boswinkel, G. Abuhamad</p> <p>This CWG has been formed to develop an IANA Stewardship Transfer Proposal on naming related functions.</p>	2014-Jul-14	Ongoing	ICG/CWG	The CWG delivered the final proposal for SO/AC consideration on 11 June. The GNSO Council, in addition to all other chartering organization approved the CWG’s names proposal during the ICANN 53 meeting in Buenos Aires. As a result, the CWG submitted the names related proposal to the ICG. The ICG has published the proposal to transition the stewardship of the IANA functions, which integrates the proposals of all three operational communities, for public comment from July 31 to September 8 (see https://www.ianacg.org/calls-for-input/combined-proposal-public-comment-period/). The CWG will await the outcomes of the CCWG given the documented dependencies related to any changes to ICANN’s accountability framework and is continuing to meet every two weeks to address issues in relation to the implementation of the IPR and budget recommendations.