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This list includes GNSO Council projects. It does not reflect the full granularity of each task, just current status and next scheduled action(s).

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

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3 – Initiation

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New gTLD Auction Proceeds Drafting Team Chair: Jonathan Robinson Vice-Chair: Alan Greenberg Staff: M. Konings, D. Tait	2016-Mar-10	ICANN57	DT	The new gTLD Program established auctions as a mechanism of last resort to resolve string contention. Most string contentions (approximately 90% of sets scheduled for auction) have been resolved through other means before reaching an auction conducted by ICANN's authorized auction service provider, Power Auctions LLC. However, it was recognized from the outset that significant funds could accrue as a result of several auctions. As such, these auction proceeds have been reserved and earmarked until the Board authorizes a plan for the appropriate use of the funds. Board, staff, and community are expected to be working together in designing and participating in the next steps addressing the use of new gTLD auction proceeds. A drafting team composed of representatives of SO/ACs and the Board has been convened to prepare a draft Charter. This group met for the first time on 10 Mar 2016 in Marrakech and has produced a draft charter which was reviewed and discussed in a public session during ICANN56. The outcomes of this session are being reviewed by the Drafting Team with the aim of providing a revised charter to the SO/ACs for consideration at the latest by ICANN57.

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GNSO Review Working Group Chair(s): TBD Staff: J. Hedlund, M. Konings	2016-Jul-21	ICANN57	Council/SGs/Cs	The GNSO Council adopted the Charter of the GNSO Review Working Group (WG) during its meeting on 21 July 2016. This WG is tasked to develop an implementation plan for the GNSO Review recommendations which were recently adopted by the ICANN Board. The GNSO Review Working Group is expected to deliver the implementation plan to the GNSO Council for consideration at the GNSO Council meeting at ICANN57 at the latest in order to meet the Board set objective of ‘an implementation plan, containing a realistic timeline for the implementation, definition of desired outcomes and a way to measure current state as well as progress toward the desired outcome, shall be submitted to the Board as soon as possible, but no later than six (6) months after the adoption of this resolution’ ¹ i.e., December 2016. A call for volunteers has been initiated with the goal to schedule a first meeting in early September.
GNSO Rights & Obligations under Revised ICANN Bylaws Drafting Team Chair(s): TBD Staff: M. Wong, J. Hedlund	2016-Jun-30	Late 2016	Council/SGs/Cs	On 27 May 2016 the ICANN Board adopted a set of new ICANN Bylaws that aim to reflect changes needed to implement the IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal. The revised Bylaws include new and additional rights and obligations for the GNSO. As changes to the GNSO’s Operating Procedures and applicable Bylaws may be needed to accommodate these new roles, including the participation of the GNSO in the newly created Empowered Community, the GNSO Council created a Drafting Team (DT) on 30 June 2016 to identify the GNSO’s new rights and obligations, and work with ICANN staff to prepare an implementation plan to address any needed changes by 30 September (see http://gns0.icann.org/en/council/resolutions#201606). A call for volunteers was issued and an initial DT call occurred the week of 22 August.
Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability Co-Chairs: Mathieu Weill (ccNSO), Thomas Rickert (GNSO), Leon Sanchez (ALAC) Staff support: B. Turcotte	2016-Jun-26	June 2017	CCWG	The CCWG-WS2 commenced work on WS2 at ICANN56. It will address the remaining nine issues that were deferred from WS1.
Rights Protection Mechanisms in All gTLDs	2011-Feb-	Ongoing	WG	On 28 February 2016, the GNSO Council voted to initiate the PDP and formed a

¹ The Board resolution was adopted on 25 June 2016

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<p>PDP Chair(s): Philip Corwin, J. Scott Evans, Kathy Kleiman Council Liaison: Heather Forrest Community Liaisons (to/from the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP WG): Robin Gross, Susan Payne Staff: M. Wong, D. Tait</p>	03			small group to review the draft Charter. The Council adopted the updated Charter in Marrakech. The PDP is being conducted in two phases, beginning with the RPMs developed for the 2012 New gTLD Program, with the 1999 Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy to follow. The first WG meeting was held on 21 April 2016. The WG began its work with a review of the Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedure (TM-PDDRP). A Sub Team has been formed to perform data gathering for the WG's forthcoming review of the TMCH, which will begin after the TM-PDDRP review is completed (currently slated for end-August). The WG has also sent initial outreach letters to all ICANN SO/ACs/SG/Cs.
<p>New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Chair(s): Stephen Coates, Avri Doria, and Jeff Neuman Council Liaison: Paul McGrady Community Liaisons (to/from the RPM Review PDP WG): Robin Gross, Susan Payne Staff: S. Chan, J. Hedlund, E. Barabas</p>	2014-Jun-25	2015-Dec	WG	The GNSO Council voted to initiate the PDP during its 17 December 2015 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 final Charter was adopted during the 21 January 2016 meeting. The WG began its meetings on 22 February, and agreed to meet weekly for 90 minutes. The PDP WG has completed preliminary deliberations on a set of overarching topics, which are the basis for a formal request for input that was sent to the SO/AC/SG/Cs ahead of ICANN56 in Helsinki. The WG held a cross-community session as well as a face-to-face working session in Helsinki where it discussed topics of broad community interest and input received from the community. Following Helsinki the WG sought volunteers to join four Work Track Sub Teams and initial Sub Team meetings are being held in August.
<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: Stephanie Perrin Staff: M. Konings The WG is tasked to provide the GNSO Council with recommendations on the following two</p>	2012-Nov-8	Ongoing	WG	The PDP Working Group convened at the end of January 2016. Following the completion of the work of three small teams of volunteers to identify and summarize key input documents that are relevant to the charter questions pertaining to gTLD registration directory services purpose, privacy and data elements (see https://community.icann.org/x/p4xlAw), the PDP Working Group finalized its work plan for tackling the fundamental questions outlined in its charter. Furthermore, the PDP WG sent out a request for early input

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<p>questions as part of phase 1: What are the fundamental requirements for gTLD registration data and is a new policy framework and next-generation RDS needed to address these requirements?</p>				<p>from GNSO Stakeholder Groups and Constituencies, as well as other ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees, to help inform its discussions. Input received to date can be found here. The Working Group has compiled a list of possible requirements for gTLD registration directory services, providing a foundation upon which to recommend answers to these two questions: What are the fundamental requirements for gTLD registration data and directory services, and is a new policy framework and next-generation RDS needed to address these requirements? While triage on the list of possible requirements is being carried out, the WG is focusing on the purpose of RDS and use cases which are intended to facilitate the subsequent review of possible requirements.</p>
<p>Curative Rights Protections for IGO/INGOs PDP Chair(s): Philip Corwin, Petter Rindforth Council Liaison: Susan Kawaguchi Staff: M. Wong, S. Chan</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 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. The WG continues to focus 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 RPMs. At the WG’s request, an external legal expert, Professor Edward Swaine from George Washington University, was engaged to provide a legal opinion on the state of international law on this topic. Professor Swaine submitted his final legal opinion on 17 June. The WG has reviewed Prof Swaine’s memo and is currently discussing policy options with a view toward completing an Initial Report for public comment before ICANN57.</p> <p>In addition, The WG continues to anticipate the delivery of a proposal from the</p>

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				small group of NGPC, GAC and IGO representatives that was formed on the topic. It is hopeful that any further Board direction or proposal on this topic will be provided prior to the WG’s planned completion of its Initial Report before ICANN57.
<p>GNSO Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI) Chair: Rudi Vansnick Vice-Chair: Anne Aikman-Scalese Council Liaison: Amr Elsadr Staff: J. Hedlund, M. Wong</p> <p>The GNSO Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation (SCI) reviews 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.</p>	2011-Apr-07	Ongoing (Will be replaced by newly chartered GNSO Improvements)	SCI	In April 2015 the GNSO Council referred two issues 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. In November 2015 the Council referred a further question concerning the timing of elections and eligibility of candidates for the GNSO Chair position. 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, and has completed a formal consensus call on language to document the practice in relation to motions for the GNSO Operating Procedures. It has also completed a formal consensus call on 16 June on language to clarify the GNSO Chair election procedures – this includes a recommendation that incoming as well as incumbent Councilors will be eligible to run. The SCI’s proposed revisions to the GNSO Operating Procedures were published for public comment immediately following ICANN56. Following the close of the public comment period, the Council will consider a motion to approve the proposed revisions at its meeting on 01 September. As noted in the Charter for the GNSO Review WG approved by the GNSO Council on 21 July, following the completion of these two tasks, any further requests relating to GNSO procedures will be referred to the new GNSO Review Working Group.
<p>GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on GAC Early Engagement in GNSO PDPs Chairs: Jonathan Robinson (GNSO) and Manal Ismail (GAC) Staff: M. Konings, O. Nordling</p> <p>The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)</p>	2014-Jan-07	Ongoing	CG	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 GNSO Council confirmed during its last meeting that the position of GNSO Liaison to the GAC

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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).				should be made a permanent role. In Helsinki the Council adopted a motion to extend the term of the current liaison to run through the AGM in November, at which a new liaison is expected to be appointed. During ICANN56, the CG shared the results of the survey which was held to obtain further input from the GNSO as well as GAC on the review of the Quick Look Mechanism as well as other opportunities for early engagement of the GAC in the GNSO PDP. The CG is expected to reconvene shortly in view of finalising its work by ICANN57.
<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 CCWG was chartered by the ccNSO and GNSO Councils to develop a set of uniform guidelines (based on earlier work by the GNSO, feedback from the ccNSO and community experience from past CCWGs) for the formation, operation and termination of future cross-community working groups.</p>	2011-May-19	Ongoing	CWG	This Cross-Community Working Group was chartered by both the ccNSO and GNSO Councils in March 2014. The CCWG reviewed the processes and outcomes of selected prior CWGs, including mapping their charters to the typical WG life cycle (Initiation, Formation, Operation, Closure, Post-Closure). A draft framework was published for public comment on 22 February 2016. A final proposed framework based on public comments received was drafted and presented for community deliberation at ICANN56. Input received from ICANN56 will be incorporated into the framework, which the CWG will seek to finalize before ICANN57.
<p>Cross-Community Working Group to develop a framework for the use of Country and Territory names as TLDs (CWG-UCTN) GNSO Council Co-Chairs: Heather Forrest, Carlos Gutierrez ccNSO Council Co-Chairs: Paul Szyndler, Annabeth Lange Council liaison: Heather Forrest Staff: B. Boswinkel, S. Chan, E. Barabas</p>	2014-Mar-26	Ongoing	CWG	The CWG is using an Options Paper to drive forward its discussion and has just concluded its work on two-letter codes. Following a request for input that was sent to all SO/ACs and SG/Cs on 3-character codes, the co-Chairs requested that Staff draft a straw person proposal on 3-character codes that was presented and discussed during ICANN55. Communication channels with the GAC remain open regarding potentially overlapping work efforts, and the GAC invited the CWG-UCTN co-Chairs to meet during ICANN56. Also at ICANN56, the CWG-UCTN provided a brief update during the cross community session on New gTLD Subsequent Procedures and conducted its own cross community session as well. A status report is currently being drafted, which will summarize

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<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. 				the CWG's accomplishments and provide recommendations for future work on geographic names.
<p>Cross-Community Working Group on Internet Governance (CCWG-IG)</p> <p>Co-Chairs: Rafik Dammak (GNSO), Jordan Carter (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>	2014-Oct-15	Ongoing	CCWG	The GNSO Council adopted the charter for this CCWG during ICANN51. The CCWG requested confirmation from its Chartering Organizations regarding a question of interpretation of its charter, which the GNSO Council agreed to at its May 2015 meeting. The CCWG co-chairs provided an update to the ccNSO and GNSO Councils at ICANN55 and ICANN56. The GNSO Council is expected to review the latest update provided by the CCWG co-chairs and the ongoing status of this CCWG in further detail with a view toward determining possible next steps for this CCWG.

5 – Council Deliberation

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6 – Board Vote

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<p>Protection of International Organization Names in All gTLDs PDP</p> <p>Chair: Thomas Rickert Council liaison: Keith Drazek Staff: M. Wong, S. Chan, B. Cobb</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. 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 Dennis Chang of GDD, 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 is currently meeting regularly to work on the implementation plan.</p> <p>As requested by the Board, the NGPC developed a proposal for dealing with the remaining recommendations, taking into account the GNSO’s recommendations and GAC advice in March 2014. 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. Following a discussion with Chris Disspain, the Council 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 ICANN51 the NGPC resolved to temporarily reserve the Red Cross National Society names at issue 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. The NGPC responded to the Council’s letter on 15 January 2015 noting that discussions are ongoing. The GNSO is expecting to consider an updated proposal for IGO protections being developed by a small group of IGO, GAC and NGPC representatives. Representatives from the Red Cross provided a briefing to the Council during the Council’s April 2016 meeting. On 31 May, the Council sent a further letter to the Board requesting updated Board input on the remaining Red Cross names and IGO acronyms. It also discussed the matter with Board members during ICANN56. The Council is likely to await further and more definite information from the NGPC before taking any further action on either topic.</p>

6 – Board Vote

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<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	TBC	Board	A community Public Comment opportunity has been established for this matter (see https://www.icann.org/public-comments/geo-regions-2015-12-23-en . The comment period closed on 24 April 2016 and 7 submissions were received. The staff report of public comments was published (https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/report-comments-geo-regions-13may16-en.pdf) and the Board will now review the comments received and consider next steps

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<p>Privacy & Proxy Services Accreditation Issues PDP WG</p> <p>Chair(s): Don Blumenthal, Graeme Bunton, Steve Metalitz Council Liaison: James Bladel Staff: M. Wong, M. Konings</p> <p>The <i>Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA)</i>, 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 were identified as those relating to privacy & proxy services and their accreditation, were to be examined in this PDP.</p>	2009-May-21	Ongoing	Board	<p>The WG’s Final Report was sent to the GNSO Council on 8 December 2015. In January 2016, the GNSO Council voted unanimously to approve all the WG’s final recommendations. A public comment forum was opened prior to Board action, as required by the ICANN Bylaws. As further required by the Bylaws, the Council approved a Recommendations Report for transmission to the ICANN Board at its 18 February meeting. This was forwarded to the Board in time for its its May 2016 meeting, at which the Board acknowledged receipt of the PDP recommendations and requested additional time to consider time, to allow for possible timely GAC input.</p> <p>The WG co-chairs met with representatives of the GAC’s Public Safety Working Group in Marrakech to discuss the GAC’s concerns with the final recommendations. In Helsinki, the GAC hosted a discussion at which the WG co-chairs participated. The GAC advice from Helsinki was for its concerns to be addressed during implementation to the extent feasible. On 9 August, the Board adopted the PDP recommendations.</p> <p>Staff is working to finalize a detailed implementation plan, including costs and development effort required for various models for implementation processes. The plan will be presented to the IRT and shared with the Board after the IRT meetings commence. GDD staff is meeting with Policy staff to coordinate a formal handoff.</p> <p>It is expected that IRT meetings will commence in late September or early October, with a Call for Volunteers to be issued prior to this date.</p>
<p>Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability</p> <p>Co-Chairs: Mathieu Weill (ccNSO), Thomas Rickert (GNSO), Leon Sanchez (ALAC) Staff support: B. Turcotte</p>	2014-Oct-16	Ongoing	CCWG/Council	<p>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 a Special Session on 14 January 2016 to discuss its response to the CCWG. The Council finalized its response at its 21 January meeting. In February, the CCWG released its</p>

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				Supplemental Final Proposal, having considered feedback from all its Chartering Organizations. The CCWG's Chartering Organizations approved this Supplemental Final Proposal at ICANN55 in Marrakech. This proposal is now in the process of being implemented. At the same time, the CCWG commenced work on WS2 at ICANN56.
Translation/Transliteration of Internationalized Registration Data PDP	2012-Oct-17	Ongoing	Staff	<p>On 28 September 2015 the ICANN Board passed the motion to adopt all seven recommendations contained in the Final Report. GDD Staff believes it may be useful to join the forthcoming T&T IRT and the existing Thick Whois IRT. T&T co-Chairs have been contacted about this possibility and staff will also reach out to the GNSO in due course to assure the Council approves such a move. A draft implementation plan and a call for volunteers to joining the Implementation Review Team has been sent out and the IRT is expected to convene shortly.</p> <p>The kick-off call with the IRT was held 19 July 2016. The second call was held on 2 August 2016. The IRT is currently addressing the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are language tags validated/verified as correct? • Why is the team not holding off on this implementation until the results of the Next GEN RDS PDP have come out? <p>The implementation plan has been posted to the community wiki.</p>
<p>IRTP Part C Recommendations</p> <p>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	<p>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</p>

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				updated Transfer Policy was announced on 24 September 2015 (see https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2-2015-09-24-en). Following community feedback, an updated version of the Transfer Policy was announced on 1 June 2016 (see https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2016-06-01-en). The updated version of the Transfer Policy will be effective 1 December 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. Council Liaison: Amr Elsadr</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 to identify an implementation path.</p> <p>Regarding the Consistent Labeling and Display of Whois output for all gTLDs, ICANN Staff, in conjunction with the IRT, has developed a Draft Consensus Policy which concluded with a Public Comment period and is in preparation for final publication. For the Thin to Thick transition, the implementation plan is being developed as a separate work track.</p> <p>The IRT met twice at ICANN56 in Helsinki: the newly formatted policy document was reviewed and the timeline for transition was discussed and has continued meeting on a weekly basis.</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. Council liaison: Keith Drazek</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) to implement those recommendations adopted by the Board.</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. Staff, in collaboration with the IRT, is progressively building a Draft Consensus Policy document. This document serves to support the continuing development of the implementation plan. The IRT met at ICANN56 in Helsinki, and ICANN staff presented the project overview and implementation plan.</p>
<p>IRTP Part D PDP WG</p> <p>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).</p>	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 (TDRP) and draft Transfer Policy were posted for public comment on 10 November 2015. The comment period closes 21 December 2015. The IRT has reviewed all of the comments, and Staff is working on website and educational material updates per the public comments received. No comments were received regarding the draft TDRP and Transfer Policy. The updated version of the Transfer Policy and TDRP were announced on 1 June 2016 (https://www.icann.org/news/announcement-2016-06-01-en). The updated Transfer Policy and TDRP will be effective 1 December 2016.</p>

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<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: Y. Green</p> <p>This CWG was formed to develop an IANA Stewardship Transfer Proposal on naming related functions.</p>	2014-Jul-14	Ongoing	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. The CWG continues to meet on a regular basis to discuss issues in relation to the implementation of the CWG-Stewardship proposal.