Policy Development Process:
Transfer Policy Review

WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN71 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The working group will conduct one working session at ICANN71, on Wednesday, 16 June 2021 at 14:00-16:30 (CEST). Please check the ICANN71 meeting schedule for the confirmed time. During the session, the working group will discuss topics within its charter and seek broader community input.

WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council **initiated** a two-phase policy development process (PDP) to review the Transfer Policy. This PDP is tasked to determine if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers. As recommended in the **Final Issue Report**, this PDP is to address the following topics in sequence:

- The Form of Authorization and AuthInfo Codes (Phase 1A)

- The change of registrant (Phase 1B)

- The transfer emergency action contact and reversing inter-registrar transfers, Transfer Dispute Resolution Policy, NACKing transfers, and ICANN-approved transfers (Phase 2) **Learn More**

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

Following the GNSO Council's initiation of this PDP, a small group of GNSO Councilors convened to finalize the working group's charter. The GNSO Council **adopted** the **charter** on 24 March 2021. The GNSO Council conducted an Expression of Interest process to identify a working group chair and issued a call for volunteers to the Stakeholder Group (SG), Constituencies, Supporting Organizations (SOs), or Advisory Committees (ACs) to assign members. With the chair identified and the membership established, the working group met for the first time on 14 May 2021.

WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?

In the early stages of its work, the working group will develop a work plan, conduct an initial review of the topics within its charter, and request input from the SG, Constituencies, SOs, or ACs on these topics. The working group will then focus on substantive deliberations and making progress toward delivering its Initial Report.

Request for an Issue Report — Publication of Preliminary Issue Report — Gather Public Comments — Publication of Final Issue Report — Initiate Policy Development Process — **Form Working Group (WG)** — Request for SG/C Statements & SO/AC Input — WG Initial Report

POLICY — Implementation — Board Vote — Gather Public Comments — Recommendation to ICANN Board — GNSO Council Deliberates — WG Final Report — Gather Public Comments

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?
Parties interested in the Transfer Policy Review PDP should coordinate with the members assigned by the respective SG, Constituency, SO, or AC to stay current and to communicate any input they believe may be useful to the Transfer Policy Review PDP's deliberations. Interested parties are also able to follow the working group's progress by signing up as an observer.

MORE INFORMATION

- **PDP webpage**

- **PDP workspace**

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