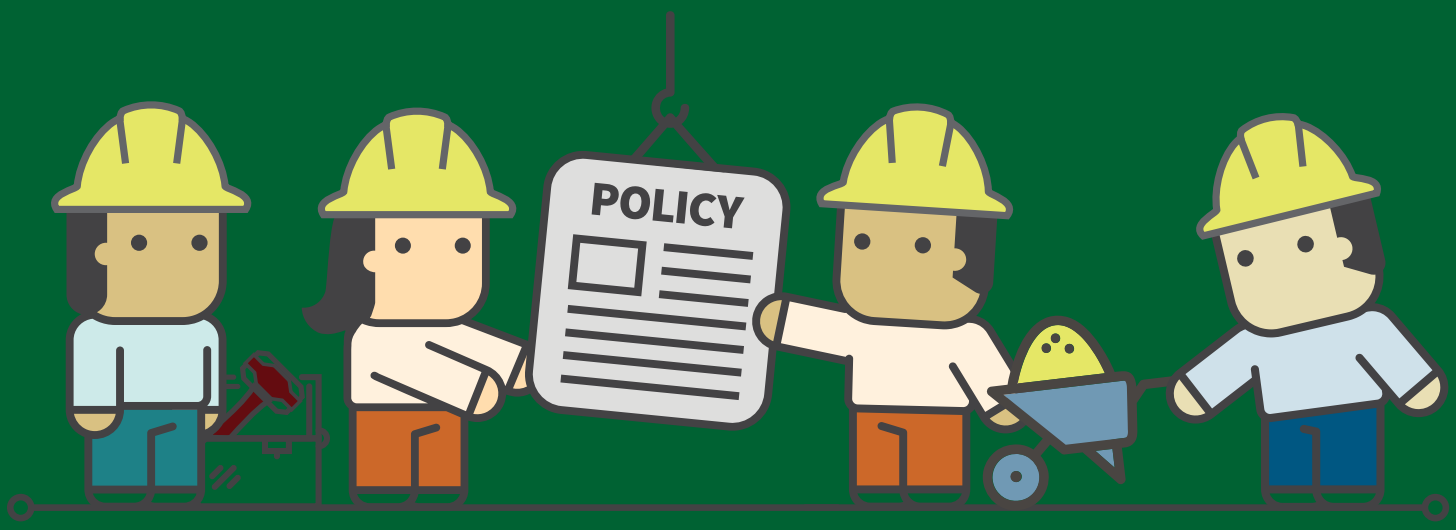
Pre-ICANN65 Policy Report



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Welcome to **ICANN65**

Welcome to Marrakech! I am pleased to present the Pre-ICANN65 Policy Report written by the Policy Development Support team. This report provides a high-level overview of the planned work and activities of the Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) at ICANN65.

ICANN65 is the fourth ever Policy Forum and the second one to be held in the African region. The Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees have taken the lead in organizing the program for the four-day meeting. Mornings will be dedicated to outreach and advancing policy and advice development work. Afternoons will feature cross-community and high interest topic sessions exploring a variety of issues, including: Policy Aspects of DNS over HTTPS (DoH), DNS over TLS, and Related Issues; Evolving the Effectiveness of ICANN's Multistakeholder Model; Impacts of EPDP Phase 1 Recommendations on Other ICANN Policies and Procedures; and Policies Around Universal Acceptance.

As a reminder, the Policy Forum format means there will be no opening ceremony, public meeting of the ICANN Board, or public forum sessions at ICANN65. With fewer days and a focused agenda, the scheduled sessions will enable deeper discussions into some of the most pertinent policy issues at hand. Networking receptions each night will allow participants to interact outside of working sessions. We also hope you will join us at the presentation of the Multistakeholder Ethos Award on Monday, 24 June, concluding a community-driven selection process.

A global community of stakeholders and participants with different backgrounds and points of view help coordinate and support the unique identifiers of the Internet. The Internet functions for everyone because everyone is invited to help make it work. Consensus policies developed through the multistakeholder model are highly effective and have the greatest legitimacy.

Thank you to our generous hosts and to all of you for making the considerable commitment of time and effort to attend this meeting. No matter if you are an ICANN regular, an occasional participant, or a newcomer, I encourage you to actively engage in this meeting.

Best regards,

David Olive
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Address Supporting Organization (ASO)

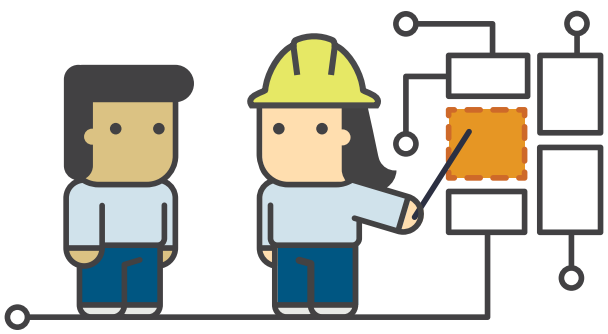
What to Expect

Although several members of the Internet number community, including Address Supporting Organization Address Council (ASO AC) members, will be present in Marrakech, the ASO will not be convening at ICANN65. The ASO conducts policy development work at Regional Internet Registry meetings and on mailing lists.

Background

The ASO was established in 2003 through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between ICANN and the NRO, representing the Internet number community and the five autonomous RIRs: African Network Information Centre (AFRINIC), Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC), American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN), Latin American and Caribbean Internet Addresses Registry (LACNIC), and Réseaux IP Européens Network Coordination Centre (RIPE NCC).

Through the MoU, the NRO Number Council acts as the ASO Address Council (ASO AC) at ICANN. The ASO AC coordinates the global policy development work of the Internet number community and appoints members to the ICANN Board of Directors, the Nominating Committee, and other ICANN groups. The ASO AC consists of 15 members, three from each region. For 2019, Aftab Siddiqui serves as chair; Kevin Blumberg and Jorge Villa serve as vice chairs. They represent the APNIC, ARIN, and LACNIC regions, respectively.



Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO)

What to Expect

The Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) program begins on Monday, 24 June 2019 with a three-hour meeting of the ccNSO Retirement of Country Code Top-Level Domains (ccTLD) Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group followed by a Strategic and Operational Planning Committee meeting. The ccNSO Council will also hold a preparatory meeting to lay the groundwork for its formal meeting on Wednesday, 26 June 2019, and to prepare for a joint meeting with the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC). **Tech Day**, a workshop open to all community members with an interest in technical, operational, and security topics, is scheduled for Monday, 24 June. Tuesday, 25 June 2019, and Wednesday, 26 June 2019, are dedicated to the **ccNSO Members Meeting**, when the ccTLD community and others with an interest in ccTLD-related matters will discuss and receive updates on topics relevant to ccTLD managers. This includes the ccNSO Policy Development Process on the Retirement of ccTLDs and the review of Internationalized Domain Names (IDN) policy. The detailed ccNSO schedule, including a summary of the topics covered and remote participation details for ICANN65, is available on the **ccNSO ICANN65 workspace**.

Background

The **ccNSO** is one of the three Supporting Organizations within ICANN. Created in 2003 for and by ccTLD managers, the ccNSO develops and recommends global policies to the ICANN Board, such as the retirement of ccTLDs. The ccNSO provides a global platform to discuss topics and issues of concern, build consensus and technical cooperation, and facilitate the development of voluntary best practices for ccTLD managers. Membership in the ccNSO is open to all ccTLD managers responsible for managing an ISO 3166-1 ccTLD.

The ccNSO is administered by the **ccNSO Council**, which consists of 18 councilors (15 elected by ccNSO members, three appointed by the ICANN Nominating Committee). The councilors are actively involved in determining the work and direction of the ccNSO. Councilors manage the policy development process, lead and participate in **various ccNSO working groups**, engage with the community on topical issues, and develop positions based on community feedback. The ccNSO Council meets regularly at ICANN Public Meetings and on monthly teleconferences. All Council documents, minutes of meetings, resolutions, and discussions are published on the ccNSO Council workspace.

Consult the **"Quick Guide to the ccNSO"** to learn more about its work and how it is organized. **Subscribe** to the ccNSO monthly newsletter to stay informed. Previous editions are available in the **archive**.

Session Details

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Tech Day

Monday, 24 June | 13:30-18:30 | Siroua

Since 2006, **Tech Day** has been part of ICANN Public Meetings. It provides a forum for both experienced people and newcomers to meet and to present and discuss technical and operational registry topics, security, and other DNS-related work. At ICANN65, Tech Day will focus on IDNs, disaster planning and mitigation, techniques for fighting abuse, and other topics.

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ccNSO Members Meeting

Session times during the ccNSO Members Meeting are subject to change. Please refer to the **ccNSO Members Meeting workspace** for the most current information, including detailed agendas, a summary of the topics covered, and remote participation details.

Day 1 | **Policy Session: Policy Development Process on the Retirement of ccTLDs**
Tuesday, 25 June | 13:30-15:00 | Siroua

The ccNSO Retirement of ccTLDs PDP Working Group will seek input and feedback from the ccTLD and broader communities on its results to date. The working group's **charter**, work plan, and other relevant documents are available on its **website** and **workspace**.

Day 1 | **Policy Session: IDN ccTLD Recommended Policy Review**
Tuesday, 25 June | 13:30-15:00 | Siroua

In September 2013, the ccNSO concluded its work on the overall policy for the selection of IDN ccTLD strings and the inclusion of IDN ccTLD managers in the ccNSO. This recommended policy was developed to replace the Fast Track process. As issues emerged with the selection of IDN ccTLD strings, the ICANN Board vote was deferred to gain experience with the changing methods to address those issues under the Fast Track. As a result, the original policy recommendations need to be reviewed. This briefing is intended to inform the ccTLD community and other interested parties on the work done to date by the ccNSO IDN Preliminary Review Team (IDN PRT) regarding issues identified with the proposed policy for the selection of IDN ccTLD strings. In addition, the IDN PRT will inform the community on the results of its high level-review of mechanisms to include IDN ccTLD managers in the ccNSO. Read more about the IDN PRT on its **workspace**.

Day 1 | **Policy Session: Study Group on Emoji as Second-Level Domains**
Tuesday, 25 June | 13:30-15:00 |

The study group was tasked to provide the ccTLD community and ccNSO Council with a comprehensive overview of:

- Risks associated with use of emoji as second-level domains as documented in **SAC095**.
- Current practices of ccTLD managers when accepting emoji as second-level domains.

During this session, the study group will present findings with respect to the use of emoji as second-level domains and suggestions for further work in this area.

Day 2
Wednesday, 26 June | 09:00-15:00 | Siroua

Day 2 of the ccNSO Members Meeting covers a variety of topics, including:

- Legal issues and marketing-related topics for and by ccTLD managers.
- A session on the proposed ICANN invoicing procedure, related to financial contributions by ccTLDs to ICANN.
- A session with the ccNSO-appointed ICANN Board members.

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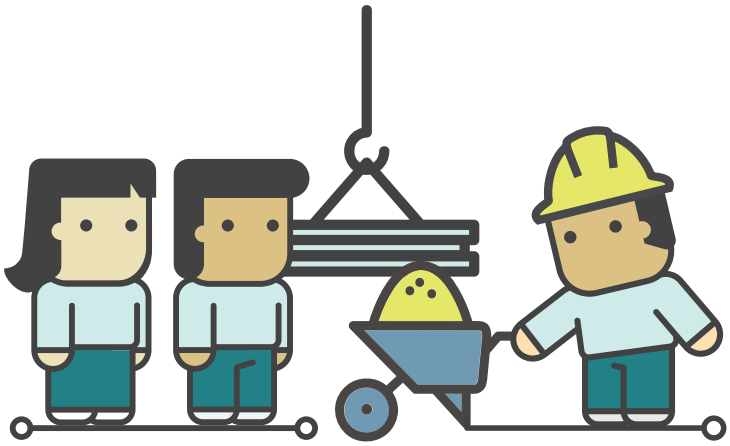
ccNSO Review: Community Consultation on Draft Recommendations

Wednesday, 26 June | 15:15-16:00 | Siroua

ccNSO Council Meetings

Wednesday, 26 June | 17:00-18:30 | Opale

Topics the ccNSO Council will discuss will be made available on the on the **ccNSO Council workspace** closer to the meeting.



Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

What to Expect

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) is the policymaking body responsible for generic top-level domains (gTLDs). Its members include representatives from gTLD registries, ICANN-accredited registrars, intellectual property interests, Internet service and connectivity providers, business, and noncommercial interests. The GNSO brings together these different stakeholders, as well as other parts of the ICANN community, to develop gTLD policy recommendations using a bottom-up, multistakeholder process driven by working groups and teams consisting of community volunteers.

One important area of ongoing work for the GNSO and the broader ICANN community is the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The EPDP Team delivered the Final Report for its Phase 1 work on 20 February 2019, and the GNSO Council approved it on 4 March 2019. On 15 May 2019, the ICANN Board adopted most of the EPDP Phase 1 Policy Recommendations. Meanwhile, work continues on Phase 2. In Marrakech, the EPDP Team will continue initial deliberations around a system for standardized access/disclosure.

Other GNSO PDP working groups will also hold sessions to further their policy development efforts. The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group will continue its analysis of community input on policy recommendations contained in its Initial Report and Supplemental Initial Reports. The Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All gTLDs PDP Working Group will start discussing preliminary recommendations concerning Sunrise and Trademark Claims services.

ICANN65 also provides an opportunity for the GNSO to review the implementation status of GNSO PDP 3.0, an important initiative focusing on identifying and evaluating potential incremental changes to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the GNSO PDP. This initiative also contributes to the ongoing discussions about evolving ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance. The GNSO Council has been making progress on implementing specific recommendations for improvements, including those concerning working group models, data gathering requests, and expectations for working group members, leaders, and Council liaisons. In Marrakech, the Council will continue its work on the implementation of these improvements as it seeks to apply them to ongoing and future PDPs.

The GNSO will engage with other parts of ICANN, such as the ICANN Board, the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), and the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), to discuss topics of common interest in joint meetings. All ICANN community members are welcome to attend and observe the different PDP working group sessions, as well as the GNSO Council and the GNSO community sessions.

Background

EPDP on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data

On 17 May 2018, the ICANN Board approved the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data to allow contracted parties to comply with existing ICANN contractual requirements while also complying with the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The adoption of the Temporary Specification triggered the requirement for the GNSO to complete a consensus PDP within a one-year period.

On 19 July 2018, the GNSO Council initiated the EPDP on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The EPDP is being conducted in two phases. Phase 1 aimed to confirm, or not, the Temporary Specification by 25 May 2019. Phase 2 discusses, among other elements, a standardized access model to nonpublic registration data. The EPDP Team consists of appointed representatives and liaisons from the GNSO, the broader ICANN community, the ICANN Board, and the ICANN organization.

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On 20 February 2019, the EPDP Team delivered to the GNSO Council its Phase 1 **Final Report** on the Temporary Specification, which contained 29 policy recommendations. The GNSO Council approved the Final Report on 4 March 2019 and the ICANN Board **adopted** most of the EPDP Phase 1 policy recommendations on 15 May 2019. The ICANN Board did not adopt parts of two recommendations, noting that these portions are not in the best interests of the ICANN community or the ICANN org. The ICANN Board is now initiating the consultation process with the GNSO Council. At the same time, an **Implementation Review Team** (IRT), consisting of ICANN org and members of the ICANN community, will now implement the ICANN Board-approved Phase 1 policy recommendations.

The EPDP Team began Phase 2 of its work in May 2019. Its **scope** includes:

- Discussion of a system for standardized access/disclosure to nonpublic registration data.
- Issues noted in the **Annex to the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data**.
- Issues deferred from Phase 1, such as legal vs. natural persons, redaction of city field, etc.

At ICANN65, the EPDP Team will meet on two days to continue initial deliberations around a system for standardized access/disclosure. Those interested in following the EPDP may also want to attend the Registration Data Policy Implementation IRT session on Wednesday, 26 June, as well as the cross-community session on the impact of GDPR and EPDP Phase 1 recommendations on Thursday, 27 June.

New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP

The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures PDP Working Group started its work on 22 February 2016. After completing deliberations on a set of six overarching and foundational subjects, the working group established five separate work tracks to address the remaining subjects identified in its charter.

Work Tracks 1-4 completed their preliminary discussions and considered input received through public consultations. On 3 July 2018, the working group published its **Initial Report** for public comment. A number of comments were received by the 26 September 2018 deadline. In October 2018, the PDP Working Group published a **Supplemental Initial Report**, which considers topics additional to those found in its Initial Report. Now the working group has completed its initial review of public comments for both its Initial Report and its Supplemental Initial Report. Since ICANN64, the working group began the process of taking into account how public input might affect final recommendations.

Work Track 5 is devoted solely to the issue of geographic names at the top-level. It has focused on reviewing the existing geographic terms and their respective rules in the 2012 Applicant Guidebook (AGB), considering whether they require modification. It is also considering geographic terms that were not identified in the AGB and if applicable, what the corresponding treatment should be. Work Track 5 published its **Supplemental Initial Report** in December 2018 and completed its initial review of public comments in mid-May of 2019. Like the full working group, Work Track 5 is also beginning the process of taking into account how public input might affect recommendations it will submit to the full working group.

At ICANN65, the working group will continue its substantive deliberations on public comments received to the working group's Initial Report and the Work Track 5 Supplemental Initial Report, with a goal of further developing a set of final recommendations.

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Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP

The GNSO Council initiated the Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All gTLDs PDP on 18 February 2016 and chartered the working group in March 2016. This PDP is being conducted in two phases. Phase 1 covers all the RPMs applicable to gTLDs launched under the 2012 New gTLD Program.

In late 2016, the working group completed its review of the Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedure (TM-PDDRP). It also largely completed an initial review of the structure and scope of the Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH). By October 2018, the working group completed its review of the Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS) dispute resolution procedure. It also completed a data collection exercise, involving professionally-designed **surveys** of targeted respondent groups, to obtain both quantitative and anecdotal evidence that can assist with its review of Sunrise and Trademark Claims that are offered through the TMCH. In December 2018, two sub-teams were formed to analyze all **Sunrise** and **Trademark Claims** related data. They completed their data analysis before ICANN64.

Since ICANN64, the sub-teams have been developing preliminary recommendations based on their review and analysis of the Sunrise and Trademark Claims data. In parallel, the sub-teams have also been conducting the initial vetting of proposals submitted by working group members, with an eye toward recommending the full working group whether to include them in the Initial Report.

Prior to ICANN65 in June 2019, the sub-teams are expected to have almost completed their development of proposed answers and preliminary recommendations, as well as the review of individual proposals. The sub-teams will use the sessions at ICANN65 to present and discuss their progress with the full working group and finalize their remaining work.

Other PDPs and Projects

In April 2019, the GNSO Council **voted** to approve recommendations 1-4 in the **Final Report** of the International Governmental Organization and International Non-Governmental Organization (IGO-INGO) Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms PDP Working Group. The Council also resolved to not approve Recommendation 5 and directed the Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP to consider, as part of its Phase 2 work, whether an appropriate policy solution can be developed that is generally consistent with recommendations 1-4. At ICANN65, a small team of GNSO Councilors will meet with a team of GAC members on Tuesday, 25 June from 13:30-14:30 to have a dialogue about potential next steps.

The GNSO Council reconvened a PDP working group to consider a possible modification to prior GNSO policy recommendations concerning the protection of Red Cross National Society names. Following the GNSO Council adoption of the working group's **Final Report** and the subsequent round of public comment, the ICANN Board adopted the PDP's consensus recommendation at its January 2019 meeting. Policy implementation is underway.

Since January 2019, a GNSO drafting team has been developing guidelines and templates for the GNSO's roles and obligations as a Decisional Participant in the Empowered Community. Prior to ICANN65, the GNSO Council is expected to receive a status report from this drafting team.

More Information

To help prepare for ICANN65, read the **GNSO Policy Briefing**. This document provides you detailed information about GNSO PDP working groups and other GNSO policy-related activities, including GNSO co-chartered Cross-Community Working Groups and PDP Implementation Review Teams.

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The GNSO also offers two additional opportunities to help you get ready for ICANN65:

1. The GNSO Policy Webinar on Monday, 17 June 2019 at 21:00-21:30 UTC. This webinar provides an in-depth review of major GNSO PDPs.
2. The GNSO Morning Policy Briefing on Monday, 24 June 2019 at 08:30-09:30 provides an opportunity to ask questions about GNSO policy work in an interactive setting.

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PDP Working Group Meetings

Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data EPDP Phase 2
Tuesday, 25 June | 08:30-15:00 | Ticfta
Thursday, 27 June | 08:30-15:00 | Ticfta

New gTLD Subsequent Procedures
Monday, 24 June | 09:00-15:00 | Orangeraie
Tuesday, 25 June | 08:30-10:15 | Orangeraie

Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs
Tuesday, 25 June | 10:30-15:00 | Orangeraie
Thursday, 27 June | 08:30-12:00 | Orangeraie

GNSO Meetings

GNSO Morning Policy Briefing
Monday, 24 June | 08:30-09:30 | Ticfta

GNSO Working Session
Monday, 24 June | 09:30-15:00 | Ticfta

GNSO Council Meeting
Wednesday, 26 June | 13:00-15:00 | Ticfta

GNSO Wrap-Up Session
Thursday, 27 June | 12:15-13:15 | Orangeraie

Joint Meetings

GNSO and GAC
Tuesday, 25 June | 10:30-11:00 | Cristal
Tuesday, 25 June | 13:30-15:00 | Cristal

GNSO and ccNSO
Wednesday, 26 June | 18:30-19:30 | Ticfta

At-Large/At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

What to Expect

At ICANN65, the At-Large community, including the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) members, Regional At-Large Organization (RALO) leaders, and ALAC liaisons, will focus on the following policy issues and At-Large projects:

- **Policy Advice -** The At-Large community will discuss ongoing policy advice related to Universal Acceptance, General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Phase 2 of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data, and the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP).
- **ALAC and RALO Hot Policy Topics Update -** An updated document summarizing current policy topics most relevant to Internet end users will be reviewed during ICANN65. Each RALO will refer to the document to discuss issues most pertinent to their region.
- **Capacity Development -** As a part of its ongoing capacity development plan, At-Large will host several training sessions.
- **Third At-Large Summit (ATLAS III) -** The At-Large community will discuss plans for the third At-Large Summit. ATLAS III will take place at ICANN66 and will focus on improvements from the At-Large review.
- **Outreach and Engagement Activities -** At-Large will coordinate several events during ICANN65 including hosting 35 university students from Rabat, Morocco and an African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO) networking event.

At the regional level, AFRALO will host local 35 university students from Rabat, Morocco for an At-Large **briefing** and presentations on ICANN **Fellowship and NextGen programs**. A **Joint AFRALO-AfrICANN Meeting** will finalize a statement related to the current focus area of the ICANN multistakeholder governance model. Finally, an **At-Large Regional Leaders Meeting** will take place for RALO Leaders to finalize strategic outreach and engagement plans for FY20, discuss hot policy topics, and finalize the RALO General Assemblies. In addition, an **AFRALO Networking Event and Community Engagement** will provide an opportunity for local and international stakeholders to engage further with ICANN.

Background

Policy Advice

See **Executive Summaries: ALAC Policy Comments and Advice** for all executive summaries of ALAC policy comments and advice since ICANN60, as well as the **At-Large Policy Summary webpage**, providing the Internet end user perspective of ICANN policy.

Learn more about the At-Large perspective:

Universal Acceptance

- **At-Large Universal Acceptance Kick-off**
- **Universal Acceptance of TLDs Draft Roadmap**
- **Draft Final Report on Universal Acceptance of Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) TLDs**
- **Initial Report on Universal Acceptance of IDN TLDs**

At-Large/At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

GDPR and EPDP

- ALAC Advice on GNSO Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Policy Recommendations for ICANN Board Consideration
- ICANN64 Joint GAC-ALAC Statement on EPDP
- ALAC Comment on EPDP Final Report
- Initial Report of the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Team

UDRP

- Application for New Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) Dispute-Resolution Service Provider
- Preliminary Issue Report on the Current State of the UDRP

At-Large Review

The **At-Large Review Implementation Plan** consists of eight of the original sixteen At-Large review issues as identified by the independent examiner. The plan was **approved** by the ICANN Board on 26 January 2019, and the **At-Large Review Implementation Working Group (ARIWG)**, began to address these issues.

The ARIWG completed its first Interim Report earlier this month, with most implementation work already completed. During ICANN65, the At-Large community and ARIWG will work on next steps related to the Interim Report, which will then be presented to the ICANN Board Organizational Effectiveness Committee. Please visit the **At-Large Review Implementation Plan workspace** for more information.

ATLAS III

The ALAC and At-Large community will hold ATLAS III at ICANN66. ATLAS III will be an assembly of the future leaders of At-Large, focused on developing their abilities to effectively implement what has resulted from the At-Large review. During ICANN65, the At-Large community will hear updates on pre-ATLAS III activities, the ATLAS III schedule and programming, leadership development, and the selection of 60 candidates who will attend ATLAS III. Please visit the **ATLAS III workspace** for more information.

At-Large/At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

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Please see the **ICANN65 workspace** for details about At-Large sessions, especially the sessions related to policy discussions and the At-Large review. Highlights are listed below:

ALAC and Regional Leader Meetings

At-Large Welcome to ICANN65 and Policy Priorities
Monday, 24 June | 08:45-10:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Development of the ALAC Hot Topics Document
Monday, 24 June | 12:15-13:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Introduction to the Empowered Community and ICANN Community Working Group Reports
Monday, 24 June | 13:30-15:00 | Toubkal

At-Large Review and ATLAS III Updates and Reports from Regional Chairs
Monday, 24 June | 15:15-16:45 | Toubkal

At-Large Outreach and Engagement Subcommittee Meeting
Monday, 24 June | 17:00-17:45 | Toubkal

At-Large Policy Workshop: Geographic Names
Tuesday, 25 June | 08:30-10:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Capacity Building Workshop – An Introduction to Policy Development at ICANN
Tuesday, 25 June | 13:30-15:00 | Toubkal

At-Large Universal Acceptance Kick-off
Wednesday, 26 June | 08:30-10:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Leadership Working Session
Wednesday, 26 June | 11:00-12:00 | Toubkal

At-Large Capacity Building Session: Current Issues in Cybersecurity
Wednesday, 26 June | 12:15-13:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Workshop on Consumer Safeguards Issues
Wednesday, 26 June | 17:00-18:30 | Toubkal

At-Large Leadership Wrap-Up
Thursday, 27 June | 08:30-10:15 | Toubkal

At-Large Policy Debrief: What Impact Did At-Large Make This Week?
Thursday, 27 June | 10:30-12:00 | Toubkal

At-Large Review of ICANN65 and Planning for ICANN66
Thursday, 27 June | 13:30-15:00 | Toubkal

At-Large/At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

Joint Meetings

Joint At-Large-Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC) Outreach: Policy at ICANN Demystified
Monday, 24 June | 10:30-12:00 | Toubkal

ALAC-GAC Capacity Building Focus Group: Capacity Building Initiatives
Monday, 24 June | 11:15-12:00 | Oliveraie

ALAC and Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)
Wednesday, 26 June | 10:30-11:00 | Cristal

ALAC-At-Large Interaction and Input to the Third Accountability and Transparency Review
Wednesday, 26 June | 15:15-16:45 | Toubkal

RALO Sessions

At-Large: AFRALO – Rabat Students: Briefing
Monday, 24 June | 09:00-10:15 | Diamant

At-Large: AFRALO – Rabat Students: Briefing on ICANN Fellowship and NextGen Programs
Tuesday, 25 June | 09:00-10:15 | Diamant

Joint AFRALO-AfrICANN Meeting
Tuesday, 25 June | 10:30-12:00 | Toubkal

At-Large Regional Leadership Meeting
Wednesday, 26 June | 13:30-15:00 | Toubkal

Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

What to Expect

Over the course of 15 agenda "blocks" at ICANN65, the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) plans to devote 24 hours of discussions to 22 separate sessions on substantive policy, operational, technical, and engagement topics. The new block schedule approach concentrates similar topics together and enables agenda flexibility, allowing the GAC to achieve more efficient discussions and enhance record-keeping capabilities for remote participants.

The GAC Agenda

The GAC is utilizing the Policy Forum format to support focused working group activities and to devote time to several substantive issues of importance to various GAC member interests.

Several GAC working groups (Public Safety, Human Rights and International Law, Underserved Regions, and GAC Operating Principles) are scheduled to conduct working sessions, most of which will take place with the whole GAC in plenary setting. The GAC will also take an active part in the cross-community and high interest topic sessions scheduled during the week and its agenda is organized to integrate with those sessions as much as possible.

The regular GAC public meeting agenda for Marrakech features a number of substantive topics. This includes next steps regarding the availability of curative rights protections for intergovernmental organizations; developments regarding the .AMAZON applications; ICANN implementation of the new General Data Protection Regulation regime; and new gTLD policy matters, particularly with respect to new gTLD rules and subsequent procedures for future application rounds and geographic names. GAC members will also follow up with ICANN Board members on matters related to the availability of two-character country codes at the second level.

At ICANN65, the GAC is also planning to hold a number of its regular meetings with leadership teams from other ICANN community groups. In Marrakech, the GAC has scheduled meetings with the leadership of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), and the ICANN Board. These meetings are important to help maintain effective channels of information and communication between the GAC and other ICANN community groups and organizational functions regarding both immediate and long-term policy and strategic issues.

Finally, GAC members will dedicate time during the week to consideration of GAC operational matters. In addition to pushing forward with efforts to create new working group guidelines, a new vice chair election period starts at the end of ICANN65. More time will also be allocated for discussion of GAC efforts to update its travel support guidelines.

Background

The GAC provides advice on public policy aspects of ICANN's responsibilities with regard to the Domain Name System. The GAC is not strictly a decision-making body but advises ICANN on issues that are within its scope. GAC consensus advice has a particular status under the ICANN Bylaws. Such advice must be duly taken into account by the ICANN Board, and if the ICANN Board proposes actions that would be inconsistent with GAC consensus advice, it must provide reasons for doing so and attempt to reach a mutually acceptable solution.

GAC membership consists of national governments and distinct economies recognized in international forums. Multinational governmental and treaty organizations and public authorities participate in the GAC in an observer capacity, and include United Nations (UN) agencies with a direct interest in global Internet governance such as the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

The GAC is working to proactively engage and onboard new participants. During ICANN65, the GAC leadership team and support staff will again host a GAC "first timers" session to help prepare first-time attendees for an active and informative week of meetings. There are currently 178 GAC members and 37 GAC observers. Further information about the GAC is available on the **GAC website**.

Session Details

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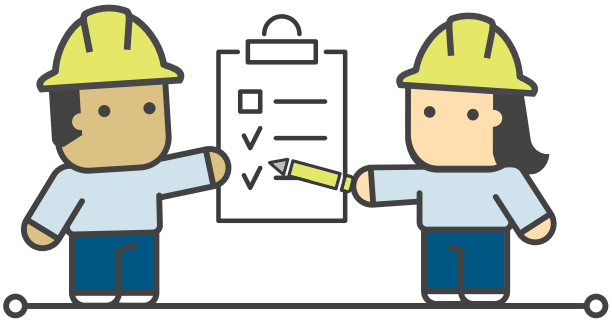
Formal GAC plenary sessions will start mid-day on Monday, 24 June 2019 and are slated to conclude in the early afternoon on Thursday, 27 June 2019. All GAC sessions will be open to the entire ICANN community and feature remote participation and simultaneous interpretation in the six UN languages plus Portuguese. This principle of openness also applies to the GAC Communiqué drafting sessions scheduled for the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, 26 June 2019.

More details regarding particular GAC plenary sessions and topics can be found on the **ICANN65 schedule page** and the **GAC ICANN65 page** where all briefings and session presentations will be posted.



Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC)

What to Expect

The Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC) will conduct seven work sessions throughout the week to advance its work and discuss various internal matters, including the work of two ongoing work parties in the RSSAC Caucus. The RSSAC will also conduct its monthly meeting and will continue to raise awareness about its recent **publication**s, namely: RSSAC042: RSSAC Statement on Root Server Operator Independence and RSSAC043: Report from the RSSAC April 2019 Workshop.

Background

The **RSSAC** advises the ICANN community and Board on matters relating to the operation, administration, security, and integrity of the Root Server System (RSS). The RSSAC consists of representatives from the root server operator organizations and liaisons from the partner organizations involved in the technical and operational management of the root zone.

In 2014, the RSSAC launched the **RSSAC Caucus**. The RSSAC Caucus is comprised of DNS experts who have an interest in the RSS, broadening the base of diverse, technical expertise available for RSSAC work. The primary role of the RSSAC Caucus is to perform research and produce publications on topics relevant to the mission of the RSSAC.

The RSSAC Caucus appoints its membership through the RSSAC Caucus Membership Committee. In addition, all RSSAC members are members of the RSSAC Caucus. There are over 100 members from over 20 countries in the RSSAC Caucus.

Currently, there are two active **work parties** in the RSSAC Caucus studying:

- Modern Resolver Behavior
- RSS Metrics

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RSSAC Work Sessions
Tuesday, 25 June | 09:00-10:15, 10:30-12:00, 13:30-15:00 | Opale
Wednesday, 26 June | 09:00-10:15, 10:30-12:00, 13:30-15:00 | Opale
Thursday, 27 June | 09:00-10:15 | Oliveraie

RSSAC Meeting
Wednesday, 26 June | 15:15-16:45 | Opale

Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)

What to Expect

The SSAC will hold a workshop on DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC) during ICANN65. DNSSEC continues to be deployed around the world at an accelerating pace. From the root to both generic top-level domains (gTLDs) and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs), the push is on to deploy DNSSEC to every corner of the Internet. Businesses and Internet service providers (ISPs) are building their deployment plans, and interesting opportunities are opening up for all as the rollout continues.

The SSAC and the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) will jointly host a cross-community high interest discussion on the policy aspects of DNS over HTTPS (DoH), DNS over TLS (DoT), and related issues.

The SSAC recently published **SAC105: The DNS and the Internet of Things: Opportunities, Risks, and Challenges**. In this report, the SSAC provides a discussion on the interplay between the DNS and the IoT, highlighting the opportunities, risks, and challenges IoT presents to the DNS. The document authors will present this report during Tech Day at ICANN65.

Background

What is the SSAC?

The SSAC advises the ICANN community and Board on matters relating to the security and integrity of the naming and address allocation systems of the Internet. This includes operational matters (e.g., matters pertaining to the correct and reliable operation of the root name system), administrative matters (e.g., matters pertaining to address allocation and Internet number assignment), and registration matters (e.g., matters pertaining to registry and registrar services such as WHOIS).

How does the SSAC operate?

The SSAC produces reports, advisories, and comments on a range of topics. Reports are longer, substantive documents, which usually take several months to develop. Advisories are shorter documents produced more quickly to provide timely advice to the community. Comments are responses to reports or other documents prepared by others (e.g. ICANN org, Supporting Organizations, other Advisory Committees, other groups outside of ICANN). The SSAC considers matters pertaining to the correct and reliable operation of the root name system, to address allocation and Internet number assignment, and to registry and registrar services such as WHOIS. The SSAC also tracks and assesses threats and risks to the Internet naming and address allocation services. For more information visit the **SSAC website**.

How do I participate in the SSAC?

For information on how to participate in the SSAC, see the **SSAC Operational Procedures** and the **SSAC Introduction**.

Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)

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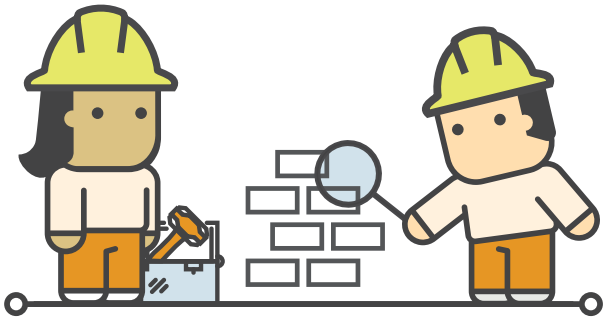
DNSSEC Workshop
Monday, 24 June | 09:00-12:00 | Siroua

This session is a public presentation and discussion with those actively engaged in the deployment of DNSSEC. Registries, registrars, ISPs, and others who plan to deploy DNSSEC services will benefit from the presentation and discussion of the deployment experience. Anyone with an interest in the deployment of DNSSEC, particularly registry, registrar, and ISP employees with technical, operational, and strategic planning roles may want to attend. The DNSSEC Workshop has been a part of ICANN Public Meetings for several years and has provided a forum for both experienced people and newcomers to meet, present, and discuss current and future DNSSEC deployments.

Policy Aspects of DNS over HTTPS (DoH), DNS over TLS (DoT), and Related Issues
Tuesday, 25 June | 15:15-16:45 | Cristal

This session will explore technologies that may affect the unique identifier ecosystem the ICANN helps coordinate. Discussion will be centered around the policy aspects of DNS over HTTPS (DoH) and DNS over TLS (DoT). While major browsers are getting ready to have DoH turned on by default there are still operational and privacy issues being discussed. In this high interest session, you will have an opportunity to exchange views and questions with experts working on these technologies.