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**CLAUDIA RUIZ:** 

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KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. Hello, everyone. This is the ccNSO Council Meeting. And we have an agenda, not in front of us yet. Please show us the agenda. First of all, it's great to see you after the excellent ccNSO cocktail yesterday. We will get to thanks and appreciations later.

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But at this moment anyway, I will say thank you very much. Thanks a lot to EURid. Thank you, Giovanni. It's great to see that you're back to home from Hamburg. Actually, he was in Hamburg, which is actually great because how many people do you know who have been on a

plane recently. I think not so many. So, Giovanni definitely is ... Now you

can say, "Yes. I know one person who as traveled."

Okay. Great. Let's go to next agenda item. But probably before we do that, maybe, Bart, will you say a couple of words about the second

part—closed part of the meeting?

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Yes. So, as you will see it's the agenda. So, after this regular Council meeting, there will be special Council, an extraordinary Council meeting, today—and apologies for the confusion—which is limited to all Councilors with the exception of Katrina. And it's an update, etc. on the Board nomination process.

We've circulated an email with the Zoom Room, which is different than this one, to ensure it's closed. I've sent the email this morning and Kimberly has sent the email as well. So, if all is well, you will see the same Zoom Room and use that one. We'll wait five minutes after closure of this one. Back to you, Katrina.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

At then end of this call, we'll make the same announcement again.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you very much. We are quorate so we can proceed. Minutes from our October meeting—no, sorry, not October, September meeting—were circulated previously. Please have a look. And if you have any comments, please let us know.

Action items and to-dos ... So far, I see are they completed. Intermeeting decisions. So, we confirmed ending membership from our former ccTLD manager of .co, approved a new membership from MinTIC, and we also approved triage recommendations on meeting strategy survey. We're going to talk about that later.

Okay. Next agenda item, ccPDP 3 update from part one. Stephen, anything you'd like to share with the Council?

STEPHEN DEERHAKE:

We had a meeting last week where we discussed the carve out. And we're going to move forward with that. And so, Council will be hearing from our issues manager shortly with the necessary procedures to do that. And we will be soliciting Council approval of the Retirement Policy. We determined that there are no substantive changes that need to be made to the interim policy that we put out for public comment. So, we're going to basically run with what we've got. Thank you. Bart, if you have any additional comments, feel free.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

No. Maybe just for the record, I think that—and just to take on, as I said, for record—the working group call last week was public. And the

working group did take a sense or temperature of the room—survey, however you want to call it. And based on that, at least the ccTLDs present and everybody supported both the proposed policy and the carve-out. So, in that sense, there was a pre-consultation on this one.

The next step will be that the Council will be requested to change the—and separate PDP 3, and PDP 3A, and PDP 3B. But that will happen as soon as the working group has finished and concluded its final paper on the retirement of ccTLDs. So, I'm waiting. In my role as issues manager, I'm waiting for that paper and then use that to ask you to separate it out and go through public consultation. That's it. Back to you, Katrina.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you very much. Are there any questions from Councilors about the next steps? So, is it clear? Okay. Good. Thank you very much. Part two, Review Mechanism update. Again, Stephen.

STEPHEN DEERHAKE:

Thank you, Katrina. We met recently and we are now actually getting into actual text on a Review Mechanism. So, we are making some progress on that. Bernard's been very helpful in helping me herd the cats. So, that's where we are with that. Nothing specific in detail I can provide at this point, except that we are making some progress. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Okay. Thank you. No further comments from the issues manager?

BART BOSWINKEL:

Nope.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Nope? Okay. Thank you. Any questions, comments on this one? If no, let's move to our next agenda item. It's another PDP. It's great to have two PDPs happening simultaneously—almost three, actually. So, IDN ccTLDs, ccPDP 4. Bart?

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Yes. I'm reporting today in my capacity as issues manager and chairing the meetings to date. The fortunate thing is the working group met three times before ICANN 69 and has already adopted its rules of engagement. We started to look at the issues that need to be addressed. So, that is good progress. And post-ICANN 69, the working group will focus on the work items and how to address it and look at the schedule, also taking into account the GNSO efforts in the area of variant management, etc. So, that's the positive side.

What needs attendance and I want to report is the working group also looked at the nomination of the chair and vice-chair. Unfortunately, the ... The details of the procedure were not thorough enough. So, there is quite some discussion, misunderstanding around the chair and vice chair nomination procedure.

And looking at the working group guideline, etc., I've noted it's not very detailed. Currently, there are two ... Effectively, there are a few alternatives for the working group to go forward, with respect to the nomination of its own chair and vice-chair. The chair and vice-chair will be appointed in time by the Council, by the way.

But the nomination is ... Currently there are a chair and vice-chair nominated but that was very rough consensus in a very rough manner. Some members opposed to this because of the unclarity.

One alternative is to continue and then for the chair nomination of the chair nomination of the sub-working groups, for example on variant management, produce a procedure. So, that's alternative one. Alternative two is it start afresh with a full-blown, detailed procedure for the chair and vice-chair nomination.

And alternative three is to appoint one chair who is supported and two vice-chairs. And again, that is not envisioned in the charter. And probably, it's a bit of, in my view ... It takes away the opportunity for a person to become chair of one of the sub-working groups. And that's where we need that person as well.

So, my proposal—and I've been looking at that charter, or the guideline, of the working groups. And as I said, the details are not very ... It's not very detailed that based on my report back to you, the chair of the Council, with your support, will propose a procedure, for the time being, to this working group because the charter allows this to—the working group guideline allows this to happen. And I'll circulate this to the working group and also that I've reported to you the issue around the chair and vice-chair nomination.

So, that's for discussion—is whether you support the proposal that Katrina, as chair of the ccNSO Council, will fill the omission for the time being and proposes a detailed procedure for the chair and vice-chair nomination to the working group. I hope that is quite something. But that was my report on the IDN—

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much, Bart. I think here we see several things coming to together in a very unfortunate manner, let's say. You may remember that one of the observations that our external reviewers made was that a procedure for nominating chairs to working groups is not clear. And actually, at the time, we thought, "No. Everything is quite clear." We've never had any problems with that. The group, they just choose their ... They choose and propose chairs and, if needed, vice-chairs. And then, the Council just approves whatever the group chooses.

But in this case, we have many new people joining the group and, surprisingly, many nominations. And that made things, let's say, unclear to those new people. It wasn't clear what they needed to do when, which means that, yes, we need to have this procedure in more detail and we need to—because it raises issues. It raises questions about transparency and the process itself.

So, we need to have a detailed process and we need to be more careful when we explain it to newly-established working groups. So, this is clearly a lesson that needs to be learned and needs to be addressed.

So, I don't know if all the options that Bart suggested were clear. So, maybe let's try to put them in writing and then share with the Council so that you can read and think about those options and how to proceed. And we will propose a way forward. But if you have any comments on that, please. This is the moment to speak.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

I can't put my hand up. Maybe as an additional point for—

KATRINA SATAKI: You can. I see you. If you—

BART BOSWINKEL: I'll raise my hand this way.

KATRINA SATAKI: Okay.

BART BOSWINKEL: It's big enough.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah, sure. It is.

BART BOSWINKEL: What I'll do is ... So, as you requested, I'll send an email to the list

tomorrow morning or later. But I'll also want to note that the working

group will have its meeting on the 3rd of November and for the time

being, given this, I'll be chairing that meeting as an interim, or in my capacity as issues manager, so there is an opportunity to resolve this

properly.

There is no real rush to resolve it. They're not going into detailed

discussions yet by the working group itself. So, that is at least a positive

thing as well. So, the work of the working group will continue with or

without the chair and vice-chairs currently. Thanks.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you. Thanks. And the best thing is that we have a procedure and it's for selecting chairs and vice-chairs on the Council. Maybe we can use it to develop a more detailed procedure for working groups.

But okay. Currently, the proposed way forward is that we summarize all possible ways forward—options, so to speak—and present them to the Council. And then, we see what's the best way forward. Any questions, comments? No? Thank you.

Let's move forward then. Okay. Agenda item number seven. That's about selecting members of the Community Representatives Group. I shared with you the updated Terms of Reference. I hope you had time to read the document. Meanwhile, we received also email from Mary Wong. And in her email, she proposed the following four steps. Let me read them for you.

So, we need to inform other SO/ACs by 16 November about the following. First, are we going to participate in the Community Representatives Group? So, are we going to select members to that group? I suggest that we say yes. Any other thoughts on that? Anybody thinks we shouldn't? No? Okay. I do not see anyone.

Okay. Next one. If so, whether we plan to send one, two, or more members. Please note that max number is 15. So, we can send as many as we like, of course. But the chairs will be selecting the best people for the job out of those. So, initially, we thought about one or two, right? So, what about ... What do you think about the numbers? Two? Okay.

We still have time. We don't have to decide it now. I just really want to have some sense from you.

Third question, we need to confirm our approval of the current Terms of Reference document. If you need more time to go through it, we still have time so we can do it next week—use one more week to read the document. As far as I could see, they have implemented almost all of our suggestions we had to the document.

And so, we also need to inform others about how much time we would need to finalize our appointment of members, which means that we need to issue a call for volunteers. There were ideas that probably we could do it next week. At least, that was discussed on that SO/AC mailing list.

But I think we need to work on the document. The requirements for members of this group, they are defined in the Terms of Reference. So, I think we can start working on the call for expressions of interest and move forward. So, let's use next week to finalize our [inaudible] on this terms of reference document.

And we have here, already, a resolution. So, we can ... If we decide ... And apparently, we are going to appoint people so we can already decide to move forward with the call for expressions of interest. So, here's the resolution—that we start preparing this call and as soon as it's agreed, we send it out and ask community members to apply.

Okay. So, that's the proposed resolution. Anyone would like to move? I see you. Demi, thank you. I see Demi. Anyone else? Seconders. Now we need seconders.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO: Second.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yes. I think Stephen was quicker. Okay. Thank you. So, any questions?

Any comments on this one? No? Yes, Alejandra.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO: I just want to note that Young-eum suggested that she thinks we should

send at least two representatives in the chat.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah. I saw that and I completely agree with her. I think we should.

Volunteers that [inaudible]? No. This is not ... It's not related to Council,

Margarita. This is a call to ccNSO community—ccTLD community,

actually. Anyone can step forward and be selected. That's a really

specific set of requirements that is needed for this job. It's like mini

NomCom, so to speak, but a very specific mini NomCom.

Okay. Yep. Okay. Unfortunately, Demi will have to leave. I hope we will

still be quorate, even with Demi leaving. Thank you very much, Demi,

for joining. It was great seeing you.

Let's go to vote on this draft resolution. Anyone against? Not that I see.

Anyone abstains? No. Okay. So, everyone is in favor. Let's move forward

with the plan.

Agenda item number eight, update on the Council election process.

Joke, would you like to do the update?

JOKE BRAEKEN:

Yeah. Happy to do so. Would like to inform you that the call for nominations for the ccNSO Council closed recently. And following this closure of the call for nominations for the European, North American, African, and Latin America and Caribbean region, there was, for each of those regions, one candidate nominated and seconded as per the rules. So, that means that no elections need to be held for those regions.

However, for the Asia Pacific region, there were three candidates that have been nominated, seconded, and accepted their nomination. And the election will be held among the members of the Asia Pacific region, according to the timeline of the Council previously agreed on. And the elections will start on Tuesday, the third of November and they will close on the 17th of November. The elections will be circulated among the members of the Asia Pacific region and the vote will be via email. That concludes my update. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you. Thank you very much. So, we have three candidates from Asia Pacific region. It's fantastic. And so, I wish good luck to all the candidates. So, I really would like to invite our ccNSO members from AP region to vote and select a candidate to—select a ccNSO Councilor. Thank you very much.

Let's more forward. Agenda item number nine, current status of implementation of Work Stream 2 accountability recommendations and the recommendations from the ccNSO Review. Bart?

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Yeah. Thank you. Claudia, can you show ...? I've sent you a deck of slides which we'll use right now, Claudia. So, over time we have been—or the Council has been discussing and the community has been discussing the various recommendations from the review and the Work Stream 2 recommendations. Can you go to the next slide, please? I see [inaudible] the typo.

So, based on the activities to date, including the Council workshops, the discussions of the RWP, the governance session last week, and other activities, we thought it might be useful to provide you a bit of an overview, where we are with respect to the implementation of all the 52 recommendations.

And as you can see—and that's the good news of everything—25 of these recommendations have already been implemented one way or the other. And five other ones are directed at ICANN. So, there is only an indirect role for the ccNSO. It's more reminding ICANN Org of those recommendations. In the deck that we've shared with you, you can see the detailed overview. Can you scroll down, please?

KATRINA SATAKI: Is it only me or is Bart frozen?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Did we lose Bart?

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah. He's frozen.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Frozen, yeah.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO: I think we lost him.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: I will try to reach out to him.

KATRINA SATAKI: I hope it's not that bad but he'll be back. Okay. As you can see, numbers

are here. We have suggested alternative approach to three, are in process with implementation of 11 of those recommendations. So, I

think it looks pretty—

BART BOSWINKEL: I'm back.

KATRINA SATAKI: Okay. Good.

BART BOSWINKEL: Thank you. Yeah. I don't know what happened. So, can you scroll down?

So, this is the overview of all the recommendations. Can you scroll down, please for the next slide? So, this is the detailed overview of the ccNSO Review's recommendations. Again, you can see what needs to

happen. Two awaiting implementation. Again, that's in the full slide

deck. And the three is what Joke—or what Katrina just said—the alternative approach and two is ICANN-focused. That's about the website and real-time transcription. Next slide, please.

This is the status with respect to the Work Stream 2 accountability recommendations. Again, already 17 completed and some are already ongoing, and a few awaiting implementation, and again, three ICANN-focused.

That's all. I don't want to go into the—unless people have questions about the details. But that's all, with respect to the dashboard.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much, Bart. Any questions? Everything looks pretty clear. Thank you. Let's move forward, then. Next agenda item. Okay. Good. And that's ccNSO Community Onboarding Program Committee. So, what can we do next? How can we make this work? How can we change the approach that we use currently to make our work in this outreach and involvement area more efficient? So, we have another file here.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Yes. Again, it's a summary of the staff recommendation. Leave it as it is, Claudia. We don't need to go into the details. You may have read the document. The staff recommendation is to, based on the progress to-date but also taking—depending on conditional, whether you agree with the proposed way forward with the Outreach and Involvement Coordination Committee, that this group ends its activities and that in future, the role of the COP Committee will be taking care of and will be

done by this OAC Committee. So effectively, it's not replacing one but it's expanding the role of the COP Committee.

So, that's basically the proposal. But that's for next phase. And that was the staff recommendation to the COPC itself, which is a Council committee and which has been included in item number 10. And maybe Alejandra, Biyi, or Laura ... They were part of the—or they were members of the Onboarding Committee. Maybe you want to speak to it, as you've seen the recommendation before.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yes, Alejandra.

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO:

Well, given the whole things that we want to do now, as in making the outreach and involvement of all the activities that we do in a single thing, the Onboarding Program, as it was envisioned before, maybe was not the best way to do things. But it can be ... We can rethink of another alternative.

The aim, of course, is always to bring new people on board on the ccNSO activities and have more volunteers. So, having all the outreach efforts in one place will definitely help coordinate all we do. It's more effective and efficient. So, that's my comment. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. Thanks. Any other comments? If not, let's move forward then and I will talk about Council workshops from October and June. So, if you remember, we've had several Council workshops and

we've discussed many interesting things and how to proceed forward. And in August, we also agreed on some actions to make sure that we can address opportunities and threats of our changing environment. Please scroll down a little bit.

And here, it's very important to note that we are—we need to ... There are many things that we want to do, right? We can't do everything at the same time. We have to select the most important things that we see for the ccNSO. So, we need to ... We've seen that from a ccNSO Review recommendation, that we need to make sure that there's still increased interest in the ccNSO. We need to think about the message that we use when we talk to our community—when we talk to ccTLDs in general.

So, the idea there was that we try to put all those efforts that we currently have, and probably even more, under a standing committee, which would develop and maintain this outreach framework—make sure that all those activities are well thought-through and well carried out.

So, what we need ... Of course, we need a website. That's out of the question. We've discussed it many times before. But the situation is as it is so we need to use the tools that we currently have at our disposal, not wait on a bright future when we have—hopefully will have a new website.

At the same time, there are other things that need to be done to make—to lower the barrier of participation in the ccNSO. And one of the things that our—we received feedback from our members—something that they really need. That's real-time scribing at our ccNSO

Members Days and Tech Day. So, Bart, is this the moment when you're ready to present?

BART BOSWINKEL:

Yes. We can ... Claudia, can you go to the mind map first, please? So, let me take you to the Outreach and Involvement Framework. And I've circulated this a few days ago, together with a more detailed overview. So, we'll not spend too much time on the mind map. Claudia will change it. There it is.

So, as Katrina already said, there is a context to this Outreach and Involvement Framework—why we do it now and why a framework. First of all, it's the outcome of the two workshops of the Council—the one in Montreal, so a year ago, and the June one.

As you could see, there is ... Some of the Work Stream 2 recommendations are clearly focused on outreach and engagement in their terminology—in this case, outreach and involvement, including the creation of an outreach and engagement strategy, a standing committee dealing with outreach and engagement, overseeing the execution of the strategy. So, these are a set of recommendations from Work Stream 2 which are addressed.

And also, the ccNSO Review recommendation includes a few recommendations around outreach and engagement—for example, the need to find new members, etc., for working groups. And in the review, it was stated that there needs to be a [inaudible] for new members or create a roster of potential new members, etc. So, that is covered.

And what is also envisioned, because of, as you may recall from the previous Council call, the ccNSO website will be updated at one point. It's still my understanding that it is the first in line, once the ICANN Org website has been updated. So, it is forthcoming. So, this provides the context of the update.

Now, looking at an Outreach and Involvement Framework. So, what should it contain? So, what is the scope of such a framework and group? What should it do? As Katrina already alluded to, there are a lot of activities, if you think about it, that are undertaken in the Outreach and Involvement space. I'll go in a little bit of detail—share it with you in a minute.

Because there are so many activities, to date, the ccNSO Council and community has not been very good in developing a strategy. So, that needs to happen as well, given the workload and lack of capacity. You need to strike a balance there. And you need to understand what is important, where you want to put in most capacity, and also weigh the results of the efforts. For example, a good example was the COP and the review of that work. And then, of course, there needs to be communication around the work of this coordination committee.

So, that's the scope of task of such a committee. And in order to really establish it, yeah. Of course there needs to be ... Because this is a standing committee, you talk about Terms of Reference, not so much of charter. So, that's the terminology used. In the Terms of Reference, you want to include scope, etc., the usual stuff, but also membership.

Around membership, there is a proposal or what we, after some discussion, suggest is that it will be a relatively small committee with the

chair or vice-chair chairing the group—chair or vice-chair or the Council chairing this group, two or three additional councilors, and some community members who are really interested and do have the bandwidth to participate in this work. So, you've got a varied group to deal with this.

Let me just ... Claudia, can you change to the other document? And that really drove this effort, in a way. And that's the overview of, I would say, O&E activities. So, bear with us for a moment. And it's just to illustrate the ... Yeah. This is just ... These are all kinds of, I would say, activities that are focused on outreach, informing, learning of the community, and on involving them in the work of the ccTLD working groups.

It ranges from travel funding to, I would say, Community Excellence Awards. This should be ... It ranges from community webinars to working group webinars, from ccNSO Members Meetings—so, the work of the MPC but also participating in the MPC to—tips and tricks for presenters. So, you see there is a lot of work going on in this outreach and engagement.

And we, from the staff end, do have a bit of an overview here. But I think it would be very good that at least all these activities are under the oversight of a committee, which is linked to the Council and to the community—broader community—so that we, as staff, do not make the calls of what needs to happen but also that everybody is very aware of what is happening and maybe start to balance what needs to happen, what is the priority, where should we really focus on, and streamline the committees, etc. So, take the next step at the majority level of the ccNSO. So, that's all. Back to you, Katrina.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you very much. As you see, the list of things that are happening is quite impressive. And yes. We need to make sure that we manage everything and do not lose focus on what we need to do. Any comments? Any questions on this one? Okay. I do not see any. So, you can start already thinking who would like to be member of this committee. Pablo, you have a question. Yes, please.

PABLO RODRIGUEZ:

I don't have a question—more of a comment. And is it that I'm very happy to step forward in chairing this initiative. I have had some experience doing outreach in NomCom and it was quite enriching and quite illuminating. And I'm pretty sure that I have a host of skills and experiences that I can transfer to this proposed initiative. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. So, we already have our first volunteer. That is excellent. Thank you, Pablo. But formally, we have a decision in front of us. So, we need to develop a draft for terms of reference for this standing committee and present it at the next meeting. And so, the main task of this committee would be to oversee all those activities that you saw.

Okay. Anyone would like to move? Pablo was first. Alejandra, second. So, Pablo moved. Alejandra seconded. Thank you. So, any further comments or questions? So apparently, it's not just chair. Chair will also ask Pablo to be involved in the drafting of the Terms of Reference. So,

Pablo, is that a new hand or old hand? If the old hand, please lower it. If a new hand, the floor is yours.

PABLO RODRIGUEZ:

Sorry. It was an old hand.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Okay. Thank you. If no further questions or comments, let's proceed to voting. Anyone against? Anyone abstains? Everyone is in favor. Thank you very much.

So, are we already on 12? Good. No. We're not on 12. We should be on 11. I thought so. That's about the workshop—the last workshop that we had. Jordan will ... As promised, he will write down some summary. So, that's for our next meeting. But now, I really would like to ask a first question.

So, what ... Now some time has passed, what are your thoughts about the workshop? What else would you like to discuss in relation to the topic that we talked about? And that was how to speed up or PDP process. So, any feedback? Any feedback you'd like to share now? Probably, you've had time to contemplate the workshop and now you have new ideas—new things you'd like to raise and discuss. Anything? There is the brief—a brief note sent by Joke. So, thanks a lot. Giovanni?

**GIOVANNI SEPPIA:** 

Yeah. Thank you, Katrina. And thanks again to Jothan for managing such an interesting workshop is there any way ... My question is, is there any

way we can translate what we discuss into something practical so that

it's really—we can speed up the PDP processes at some point.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah. As I said, Jordan will prepare a more in-depth summary, probably

with proposals, by next Council call.

JORDAN CARTER: Katrina, can I just say something about that.

KATRINA SATAKI: Yeah, sure!

JORDAN CARTER: Yeah. Sorry. I meant to have done that by that call but surprisingly

enough, there's been an ICANN meeting and we hosted our national IGF. So, it just ... It fell down the list of priorities too far to be done. But I wanted to come back with some practical proposals, having reviewed

the notes that Joke kindly did. So, sorry it's not ready yet.

KATRINA SATAKI: No. That's absolutely fine. And meanwhile, we all can think about

practical steps. So, it's not just Jordan needs to come up with practical

steps. Anyone who had some thoughts on—especially after the

workshop. Anyone can propose a good way forward to make sure that

we are more efficient and effective.

So, if there are no further comments or wishes, maybe you could already start thinking about the next Council workshop. What should we discuss? Maybe we will discuss the plan proposed by Jordan. That would be one of the options, to make sure that we do not lose the momentum and still have the energy to make our PDPs more efficient.

Okay. So, if no other comments, then let's move to agenda item number 12. And I already managed to forget what was that about. That was something very interesting. Yes. It's amendment of ICANN Bylaws. We need to ... As you remember, we submitted all those amendments and now we have received suggestions from ICANN legal. I hope you had time to look at them. So, what do you think? What do you think about those proposed corrections? If we have the document, maybe we can open it.

Any comments on the document? I think it ... At least to me, all the suggestions looked really good. They were improving the document—improving the wording. There was one thing that Bart noticed, that changed the content of the recommendation. Bart? Not recommendation, sorry.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Yeah. Can you scroll down a little bit, Claudia? It's about ... Where are we? Scroll down a bit. It's in the area of Annex B. Scroll down. Yeah. There we are. It's Annex B, Section 1.e. If you can see what is proposed to be struck out—so, "representing at least 10 different territories—" so, 10 members of the ccNSO. Now, what you need to keep in the back of your mind is one entity can run multiple ccTLDs. And for each ccTLD, it will be the ccTLD manager.

I'm looking at EURid. So, what is interesting, EURid runs .eu, runs .eu in Greek, and runs .eu in Cyrillic. So, effectively, they are the ccTLD manager for three ccTLDs—so three ccTLD managers. So, you have another example—for example, NIXI, which is from India, which runs, I believe, currently 21 or 22 ccTLDs. So, if NIXI would become member for all 22 ccTLDs, it would have a weight of 22 members. Or it would be ... NIXI would be 22 full members. So, NIXI by itself could ask for the creation of an issue report.

And that's why, at the time, the working group—the second working group under the PDP, PDP 2, proposed that the members should be from different territories, the 10 members, to ensure that this—the creation or the request for creation of an issue report could not be captured by one or two entities, or companies, or however you want to call them. So, that's the subtlety that I think is missed here. I hope I clarified it.

So, you don't want to end up in the situation where EURid, together with, for example, one or two other ccTLDs manger or entities could ask for the creation of an issue report. But it needs to be at least 10 different entities. Thanks.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yes. Thank you very much. Definitely don't want EURid to take over and request issues report unless it's about ccNSO cocktail. So, Giovanni, I see your hand is up.

Giovanni Seppia:

Thank you, Bart. Just one very—because we are a special case because when the whole .eu in Cyrillic and .eu in Greek saga started a lot time ago, there was a commitment by the European Commission and EURid to have one and only registry for three extensions.

So, it's through that, technically there are three extensions. Technically, in the IANA database, there are three extensions. But from and administrative perspective, there is an agreement—a trilateral agreement, EURid, the Commission, ICANN—that the registry is only one. So, I don't know how this will be interpreted by ICANN. But this is what is currently the status.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

Thank you, Giovanni. And I was just using EURid as an example because if you look at the definitions ... And that's been captured in other areas. But if you look at the definition of membership, EURid could, in principle, be member for one but also for all three of them. And that's due to the ... And that's captured, based on the definition of the ccNSO membership. That's the only thing about it.

And members, as said here, that EURid has other arrangements, which I would say will make this almost impossible. That's another question. But that EURid. We don't know about others. NIXI is a good example but there are more—because that's the most extreme one. But there are other ccTLDs as well, run by the same entity.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Sure, there are. Thank you very much. Thanks for the comment, Giovanni. So, apparently this one ... I think—at least I see a very good

reason not to agree to the proposed change, the suggested edit here, because it changes the idea. But other suggested edits really looked good to me.

However, there is one point that these ... That's something that we need to discuss and I really would like to hear your opinion on that. The initial proposal was voted by members in 2014, I guess, right? Bart?

BART BOSWINKEL:

KATRINA SATAKI: '13? Okay.

BART BOSWINKEL: 2013—a year off.

'13.

KATRINA SATAKI: Okay. The year perhaps doesn't matter here. But they were voted by

members. So, the question is what should we do with edits. In any case,

the changes would go to public comment, right? The process was—

BART BOSWINKEL: Ultimately, the question is ... So, first is the ccNSO is asked to respond

on the proposed letter, or the proposal from ICANN Legal. Once the

ccNSO has responded, either the Council or another way, then it will go

to public comment. But probably, it will go as just a proposed change to

the Bylaws. So, you don't want to have ... It will be one set of proposals. You don't want to have the original proposals and the new proposals.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Sure.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

So, the earlier the ccNSO concurs with the and can agree with ICANN Legal on proposals, the better because that will be the set of proposals that will be out for public comment because that's the regular Bylaw change.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Alejandra?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO:

Yes. I have a question. How are we going to draft this Council statement? Are we going to share a document—a Google Doc. Should we send our views individually and then something will be composed with that?

KATRINA SATAKI:

Meaning? Could you be more specific? About the—

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO:

As in the process. How are we going to build the Council statement regarding these proposed changes? Shall we, each of us, send and email

to the mailing list and say, "I agree with this, with this, with this, and this should be edited?" Or shall we—

KATRINA SATAKI:

We can do it that way. Or what I think ... Of course, if you have those—if you have any thoughts about any of the edits, yes. Please do summarize them and send them to the mailing list. Of course, yes. Or if you are ready to speak now, we can start discussing it here. But by all means, please send your comments to the mailing list. Yes, we will have to have a response by the Council. But still, the question is ...

Stephen asks, "Can we table a decision on this and make a decision on our next call?" We can, of course. We can do that. But if nothing happens during these 30 days, we'll be just where we started. So, I propose that we read the document, we submit our comments, we propose a way forward—anything that would move the decision forward. If we just leave it to the next call, we will be where we started.

So, let's agree, again, that everybody looks at the document. See where you have any concerns—anything you'd like to point out. Yes, Bart. Bart's hand is up.

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

May I suggest we go back to the agenda? The proposal is because this was adopted through a PDP, which is a very high standard, that we start a ccNSO Statement Procedure, as suggested in the draft resolution. The result of using this procedure is there needs to be a drafting team which will look at this. And probably it's more that you agree upon a process and procedure. Ultimately, you have to vote upon the proposed text

that will go back to ICANN Legal. But the community will be involved. You will be involved in the decision making but also in the drafting.

So, it's probably the best way to include to the broader community and you in preparing a position paper on this proposal from ICANN Legal. And you can vote upon it as soon as this is ready. And this should not take too long because as you agreed, most of the proposals are very logical, and make it easier, and are very understanding. But at least you have a procedural way forward. Thanks.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. Thank you. Yes. Well, we can start with this—with the draft resolution—and decide on that. But still, the fact that we need input from you for this draft, it's clear because otherwise—

**BART BOSWINKEL:** 

And that's captured in the procedure. That's captured in the way it's—

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yes. True. So, any would like ... Yes, Byron?

BYRON HOLLAND:

Do you need more discussion or can I just move this motion?

KATRINA SATAKI:

Yeah. I just asked anyone to move and Byron moves. Thank you very much. Seconding? Pablo seconded. Thank you. Okay. Then, let's move to the vote. Anyone against? Anyone abstains? No. Everyone is in favor.

Good. So, okay. Please look at the document. Submit your comments. We'll start drafting—the Drafting Team, anyway.

Okay. Thanks. Next one, update from ECA. Anything, Stephen?

STEPHEN DEERHAKE:

Yes, actually. Thank you, Katrina. NomCom finally came through with appointments for the two board seats that they needed to fill this time around. And they reappointed Avri Doria and Sarah Deutsch. And so, the ECA certified those to the corporate secretary so that's done. And that's it. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. CSC, Alejandra or Bart? Alejandra?

ALEJANDRA REYNOSO:

I'll go. So, there's been some activity now. Both the GNSO and the ccNSO Councils have approved the CSC final slate, which came into effect the first of October.

And there has been some changes in the other liaisons to the group. For example, Nigel Cassimere, the GAC liaison, has been replaced by Laxmi Prasad.

Naela Sarras, who has served as the PTI representative to the CSC, is taking on a new role within ICANN, focused on stakeholder engagement for North America. And unfortunately, that means that she will depart from the IANA team. And now, Selina Harrington will fill in for Naela's liaison role in the interim, while they recruit the operation directors for

their team. This change is not part of the annual selection and approval cycle so there is no need to worry about approving, again, the full slate.

Also, James Gannon has been appointed by NomCom to serve a three-year term on the board of PTI, therefore required to resign to his community leadership positions, which include serving as the GNSO non-registry liaison to the CSC and as the CSC liaison to the IANA Functions Review Team. So, the GNSO and Non-Contracted Parties will appoint a new liaison if they choose to do so. As with Naela, this appointment is outside the annual selection and approval cycle. So, approval, appointment, and replacement is not required.

And the CSC is in the process of appointing a new liaison to the IFRT. Also, the CSC fully supported the IFRT recommendation four for the removal of the statement, "The relevant policies under which the changes are made shall be noted with each monthly report." That was from Article 7, Section 7.1a in the IANA Naming Function Contract. And also, supported the recommendation to adjust Sections 18.2i and ii, which both describe the same process.

Also, it's worth noting that the IFRT public comment period will close on the 2nd of December. So, maybe the ccNSO Council could submit a minimum statement supporting recommendations and findings, if we choose to do so.

And finally, the CSC completed the review of the September 2020 IANA Naming Function Performance Report and finds that PTI performance for the month was excellent. They met all of the currently-defined thresholds. So, that's it for the CSC. Thank you.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. That was unusually extensive report from the CSC. Thank you very much. Any questions? No?

Let's move forward, then. Any updates from anyone? No? Updates from working groups, taken from the meeting. We already have an update from ALAC liaison. I think the update from GNSO liaison will follow.

Meetings. Next meeting, November 19 at 12:00 UTC. Please note in your calendars. And then, currently, we have it also scheduled for December 17th. Any other business? So far ... Yes. Results from the governance session. Thank you very much to everyone who participated. Thanks for your views. So, guidelines review committee will take them on board and will discuss at its next meeting. And also, if you are willing to participate in the work of Guidelines Committee, you're very welcome to join the group.

Is there any other business? If not, then I'll go to the best part of the meeting. That's thank you and welcome. So, first of all, I would like to welcome, on behalf of the Council, our new councilor. Unfortunately, he had to leave earlier. But nevertheless, he will take his seat right after this meeting. So, let's welcome our new NomCom-appointed councilor, Javier Rúa-Jovet. And we're looking forward to working with Javier and looking forward to his contributions.

We also would like to express thanks and appreciation to Ajay Data, NomCom appointee, for his service on the Council. And we also hope that he will remain active in the community.

The ccNSO Council thanks Philippe Fouquart for being such an active liaison between the GNSO and the ccNSO Council and brining our two communities closer together. And we wish him wisdom and perseverance in his future role on the GNSO Council. So, yes, ccNSO Council is preparing future leaders of ICANN.

So, the ccNSO Council also congratulates Patricio Poblete with his Board appointment and thanks Patricio for all his years of active service to the ccNSO community and on the Council. He served on the Council from 2004 until 2011. And we wish Patricio a lot of wisdom, remain—always keep his humor—and also perseverance on the ICANN Board.

On behalf of the ccNSO, the ccNSO thanks wholeheartedly EURid for organizing and hosting the outstanding and very, very entertaining virtual cocktail. And especially, lots of thanks to our magical host yesterday. Thank you very much, Giovanni. That was really fantastic. And clearly, it sets a whole new standard for virtual events.

And finally, on behalf of the ccNSO and broader ccTLD community, the ccNSO Council expresses its deep sense of gratitude to Chris Disspain for all his 20 years of outstanding service to the community, both the ccNSO and broader ICANN community. Chris's humor and wisdom were instrumental, not only for putting the ccNSO on the map in the ICANN environment but also for creating the sense of cooperation and collegialism that makes the ccNSO so unique. In his nine years on the Board, he always maintained an open line of communication with us in the ccNSO community.

So, Chris, we sincerely hope that you will remain active in our community at ICANN, in whatever capacity you see fit. Again, thank you

very much. And please remember, you're always welcome at the ccNSO.

So, with that, I think we just go to the last—unless anyone wants to say

anything. But I see that messages are being published in the chat

window. So, if there are no other comments, the meeting is closed. But

Bart has an announcement for councilors who will remain for the closed

part of the meeting.

And again, thank you very much for your work during ICANN 69. See you

soon on the mailing list, and online, and any other setup. And with that,

I think that I should leave.

BART BOSWINKEL: No, no. Of course, you should leave because otherwise you'll stay in this

room while we close it. Other councilors, with ... For the closed session,

please check your email. Kim and I sent out a link to the other Zoom

Room for the closed session. The agenda itself is fairly easy, update on

the process and current status of affairs. So, hope to see you in five

minutes, in the other Zoom Room, for this special closed Council

meeting. And please check your emails. Thank you and bye, Katrina.

KATRINA SATAKI:

Thank you very much. Bye.

**ALEJANDRA REYNOSO:** 

Thank you! Bye-bye.

MARGARITA VALDES: Thank you. Bye.

PABLO RODRIGUEZ: Thank you, everyone. Bye-bye.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Bye, all. You can now stop the recording.

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