

SubPro Pending Recommendations - GNSO Council/ICANN Board Dialogue



22 May 2023

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions (5 mins)
2. Considering the path forward for the pending recs (95 mins)
3. Next steps (15 mins)
4. AOB (5 mins)

Considering the path forward for the pending recs

Board Resolution on 16 March 2023

Whereas, the Board understands that the delivery of the Implementation Plan no later than 1 August 2023 requires the satisfactory completion of the following four deliverables (the Deliverables) **by the last day of the ICANN77 Public Meeting (15 June 2023)**:

1. A **plan and timeline** as agreed upon by the ICANN Board and the GNSO Council for consideration and resolution of all Outputs contained in **Section B of the Scorecard**;

Section B of the Scorecard contains a set of 38 recommendations across 16 Topics.

Where Are We Now?

Already completed:

- GNSO Council established a small team to **triage** the 38 recommendations. Here, triage means:
 - Fuller understanding of the **reason(s) that recommendations were placed in a pending status**;
 - Small team/Council **assessment of those reasons**; and,
 - Proposing **a path forward to try and address those concerns**. The path forward could include the **provision of additional info** to address concern, **dialogue** with the Board, suggestion that the concern can be **addressed during implementation**, etc.
- 4 May GNSO Council Extraordinary Meeting to seek **alignment** between Council small team and full Council **on assessment and proposed path forward**.
- Small team drafting exercise to **provide additional information and references from SubPro Final Report**, with the intention of addressing Board concerns.
- **Small team output** communicated to the Board (**provisionally**, pending further Council discussion) on **19 May**.

Where Do We Need to Go?

We are here

- 22 May - joint meeting of the GNSO Council and Board to gain alignment on the path forward for as many of the 38 recommendations as possible.
 - Why is this important? In order to develop the “plan and timeline” for the “resolution of all Outputs contained in Section B of the Scorecard”, there needs to be **mutual agreement and understanding of the mechanism** to address the Board concerns.
 - However, in some case, it may not be possible to gain alignment and the Board may determine that adopting a recommendation is not in the best interest of the ICANN community or ICANN; this would initiate a Bylaws resolution process.
- Development of the plan and timeline to resolve Board concerns.
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Proposed Process to Review Pending Recommendations

Leveraging the Council Small Team document to go through each group of recommendations:

1. Avri Doria/Becky Burr to briefly summarize the relevant recommendation(s) and rationale for the Board placing the recommendations in a pending status.
2. Paul McGrady to explain the small team's proposed path forward to address the concerns, including any supplemental information and documentation references that would aid in addressing the concerns.
3. Where possible, Council/Board to discuss and determine if there is alignment on the path forward.
4. Proceed to next group of recommendations...

Next steps

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