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| **Section 2. CORE VALUES**.  In performing its Mission, the following core values should guide the decisions and actions of ICANN:   1. Preserving and enhancing the operational stability, reliability, security, and global Interoperability of the Internet. 2. Respecting the creativity, innovation, and flow of information made possible by the Internet by limiting ICANN's activities to those matters within ICANN's mission requiring or significantly benefiting from global coordination. 3. Employing open and transparent policy development mechanisms that (i) promote well-informed decisions based on expert advice, and (ii) ensure that those entities most affected can assist in the policy development process. 4. Making decisions by applying documented policies neutrally and objectively, with integrity and fairness.  ALSO:  Bylaws Section 3:  ICANN shall not apply its standards, policies, procedures, or practices inequitably or single out any particular party for disparate treatment unless justified by substantial and reasonable cause, such as the promotion of effective competition. 5. Remaining accountable to the Internet community through mechanisms that enhance ICANN's effectiveness. | Commitments. In performing its Mission, ~~the following core values should guide the decisions and actions of ICANN:~~ICANN must operate for the benefit of the Internet community as a whole, carrying out its activities in conformity with relevant principles of international law and applicable law and international conventions and through open and transparent processes that enable competition and open entry in Internet-related markets, and that reflect the Commitments and Core Values ~~the~~ ~~Fundamental Rights~~ set forth below.  Specifically, ICANN’s action must:  Preserve~~ing~~ and enhance~~ing~~ the operational stability, reliability, security, global interoperability, resilience, and openness of the DNS and the Internet; Maintain the capacity and ability to coordinate the internet DNS at the overall level and to work for the maintenance of a single, interoperable Internet; Respect~~ing~~ the creativity, innovation, and flow of information made possible by the Internet by limiting ICANN's activities to matters that are within ICANN’s Mission and require~~ing~~ or significantly benefit from global coordination;  Employ~~ing~~ open, transparent and bottom-up**( kavouss comment. Deletion is proposed as the entire categories of multistakeholders shall be treated equally without preference of one over the other . this issue was raised at the call and I asked robin to kindly withdraw her proposal . this reference is also appearing in other parts of the document then we need to delete that elsewhere. I have serious difficulty to accept such a prioritation of the stakeholders**.  search for the deletion multistakeholder policy development ~~mechanisms~~ processes that (i) seeks input from the public, for whose benefit ICANN shall in all events act,(ii) promote well-informed decisions based on expert advice, and (iii) ensure that those entities most affected can assist in the policy development process;  Make~~ing~~ decisions by applying documented policies consistently, neutrally, objectively, and fairly, ~~with integrity and fairness~~ without singling out any particular party for ~~disparate~~ discriminatory treatment ~~unless justified by substantial and reasonable cause, such as the promotion of effective competition~~;  Remain~~ing~~ accountable to the Internet Community through mechanisms defined in the Bylaws that enhance ICANN’s effectiveness. | This additional language is derived from ICANN’s current [Articles of Incorporation](https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/governance/articles-en).  This language also supports [Affirmation of Commitments](https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/affirmation-of-commitments-2009-09-30-en) language, including Section 3, in which ICANN “commits to: (a) ensure that decisions made related to the global technical coordination of the DNS are made in the public interest and are accountable and transparent; (b) preserve the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS; (c) promote competition, consumer trust, and consumer choice in the DNS marketplace; and (d) facilitate international participation in DNS technical coordination.”  In *AoC Section 9.2* *and AoC Section 3(b)* ICANN commits to preserve the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS.  In AoC Section 8(a), ICANN affirms its commitments to maintain the capacity and ability to coordinate the Internet DNS at the overall level and to work for the maintenance of a single, interoperable Internet.  In AoC Section 8(c), ICANN commits to operate as a multi-stakeholder, private sector led organization with input from the public, for whose benefit ICANN shall in all events act.  The changes in the current Bylaws for Core Value #8 reflect and incorporate current Bylaws Section 3.  On NON-DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT.  The OED defines “disparate” as  “Essentially different in kind; not able to be compared.” “Discriminatory” is defined as “making or showing an unfair or [prejudicial](http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/english/prejudicial#prejudicial__3) [distinction](http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/english/distinction#distinction__3) between [different](http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/english/different#different__3) [categories](http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/english/category#category__3) of [people](http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/english/person#person__3) or things.”  This change was suggested by one of the CCWG-Accountability’s independent experts.  In *AoC Section 9.1*, ICANN commits to maintain and improve robust mechanisms for public input, accountability, and transparency.” |
| **Core Values:**In performing its Mission, the following core values should guide the decisions and actions of ICANN:  4.  Seeking and supporting broad, informed participation reflecting the functional, geographic, and cultural diversity of the Internet at all levels of policy development and decision-making.  3.  To the extent feasible and appropriate, delegating coordination functions to or recognizing the policy role of other responsible entities that reflect the interests of affected parties.  5.  Where feasible and appropriate, depending on market mechanisms to promote and sustain a competitive environment.  6.  Introducing and promoting competition in the registration of domain names where practicable and beneficial in the public interest.  9. Acting with a speed that is responsive to the needs of the Internet while, as part of the decision-making process, obtaining informed input from those entities most affected.  11. While remaining rooted in the private sector, recognizing that governments and public authorities are responsible for public policy and duly taking into account governments' or public authorities' recommendations. | Core Values:  In performing its Mission, the following core values should also guide the decisions and actions of ICANN:  Seeking and supporting broad, informed participation reflecting the functional, geographic, and cultural diversity of the Internet at all levels of policy development and decision-making to ensure that decisions are made in the global public interest identified through the bottom-up, multistakeholder policy development process and are accountable, transparent, and respect the bottom-up multistakeholder ~~nature of ICANN~~process*;*  To the extent feasible and appropriate, delegating coordination functions to or recognizing the policy role of other responsible entities that reflect the interests of affected parties and the roles of both ICANN’s internal bodies and external expert bodies;  Where feasible and appropriate, depending on market mechanisms to promote and sustain a healthy competitive environment in the DNS market that enhances consumer trust and choice.  Introducing and promoting competition in the registration of domain names where practicable and beneficial in the public interest as identified through the bottom-up, multistakeholder policy development process.  Operate with efficiency and excellence, ~~acting in~~ a fiscally responsible and accountable manner and at a speed that is responsive to the needs of the global Internet community.  While remaining rooted in the private sector, recognizing that governments and public authorities are responsible for public policy and duly taking into account the public policy advice of governments and public authorities in accordance with the Bylaws and to the extent consistent with these Fundamental Commitments and Core Values.  [Not advance] [Refrain from advancing] the interests of one or more interest groups at the expense of others | In *AoC Section 7*, ICANN commits to “fact-based policy development, cross-community deliberations, and responsive consultation procedures that provide detailed explanations of the basis for decisions, including how comments have influenced the development of policy consideration.”  AoC 3(a) provides that ICANN will ensure that decisions made related to the global technical coordination of the DNS are made in the public interest and are accountable and transparent.  Text has been added in an attempt to address the difficulty in defining “public interest” without reference to the substantive issue in question, the context in which the issue arises, and the process through which it is identified.  Does this solve the problem?  Is the language redundant and unnecessary in light of the Commitment to operate for the benefit of the public?  In *AoC Section 9.3*, ICANN commits to promote “competition, consumer trust, and consumer choice.”  AoC 3(c) provides that ICANN will “promote competition, consumer trust, and consumer choice in the DNS marketplace.”  In *AoC Section 9.3*, ICANN commits to promote “competition, consumer trust, and consumer choice.”  See discussion above re “public interest.”  In *AoC Section* 7, ICANN “commits to adhere to transparent and accountable budgeting processes.”  In *AoC Section 8*, ICANN commits to “operate as a multi-stakeholder, private sector led organization.”  *AoC Section 8* further provides that ICANN is a private organization and not controlled by any one entity.  In AoC Section 4, ICANN commits to perform analyses to ensure that its decisions are in the public interest, and not just the interests of a particular set of stakeholders. |