

Community Decision Process, as described in CCWG breakout session on 17-Oct-2015

Required Community Powers	Should we have a Conference Call?	Should we Convene a Community Forum?	Consensus Support to exercise the power?	
1. Block a proposed Operating Plan/Strategic Plan/Budget	2 AC/SOs support	3 AC/SOs support	4 support, and no more than 1 objection	
2. Approve changes to Fundamental Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation	2 AC/SOs support	3 AC/SOs support	4 support, and no more than 1 objection	
3. Block changes to regular bylaws	2 AC/SOs support	2 AC/SOs support	3 support, and no more than 1 objection	
4. Remove individual board directors	2 AC/SOs support	2 AC/SOs support	3 support, and no more than 1 objection	
5. Recall the entire board of directors	2 AC/SOs support	3 AC/SOs support	4 support, and no more than 1 objection*	*minority said 1 objection to block consensus
6. Mechanism for binding IRP where a panel decision is enforceable in any court recognizing international arbitration results	2 AC/SOs support	2 AC/SOs support	3 support, and no more than 1 objection	Require mediation before IRP begins
7. Reconsider/reject board decisions relating to reviews of IANA functions, including trigger of PTI separation	2 AC/SOs support	3 AC/SOs support	4 support, and no more than 1 objection	

Notes:

Column 2: **Should we have a Conference Call?** Any individual can begin an online petition in any AC or SO. Each AC/SO defines its own threshold for petition support. If any 2 AC/SOs support the petition, all AC/SOs are invited to participate in a conference call to discuss whether to have a conference call to decide whether to have a Community Forum. The Petitioning ACs/SOs circulate written justification for exercising the Community Power. ICANN hosts a conference call open to any interested participants, and the call would be recorded, transcribed, translated, etc. Representatives of the ICANN board would be expected to attend.

After the call, ACs and SOs use their own decision-making methods to decide whether they support convening a Community Forum. The threshold for convening a Community Forum is proposed in column 2 of the table.

Column 3: **Should we Convene a Community Forum?** This needs to be developed further, but the basic idea is a one-day face-to-face meeting, supported by ICANN staff and with travel funding for participants designated by ACs and SOs. If timing is right, just add this day to a scheduled ICANN meeting; otherwise it's an inter-sessional meeting. The Community Forum would be open to all via Adobe Connect, and would be recorded, transcribed, translated, etc. Representatives of the ICANN board would be expected to attend. AC/SOs may request independent legal advice to the community, depending upon the issue and power being considered.

Column 4: **Is there Consensus Support to exercise the power?** After the community forum, each AC/SO would decide, using its own methods, whether it supports the proposed exercise of the community power. If the AC/SO community decides to proceed, it must publish a statement of explanation. A minority statement could be published by any AC/SO that objected to the decision or explanation.