

# IGO-INGO Access to Curative Rights Policy Development Process (PDP)

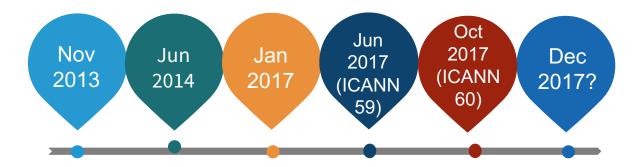
GNSO Working Session @ICANN60

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#### TIMELINE TO COMPLETION OF THE PDP



Original GNSO PDP: Some preventative protections recommended

Issue Report on IGO-INGO curative rights recommended Current PDP initiated on curative rights

comments:
GAC
21 IGOs
4 GNSO
Stakeholder
Groups &
Constituencies

**Initial Report** 

published

46 public

Proposed change on IGO standing and alternative options for dealing with immunity presented for community discussion

presented for community feedback Co-Chairs' preliminary assessment of Consensus levels on all

recommendations

Proposed final

recommendations

Final Report sent to GNSO Council Working
Group
proceeding
with work
while GACGNSOBoard
resolution
of
outstanding
issues on
IGO-INGO
protections
continue



# What are the current challenges? (1/3)

#### 1. Achieving consensus on all final recommendations:

- Comments and issues on most preliminary recommendations resolved
  - Including on IGO standing to file a complaint under the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) and Uniform Rapid Suspension procedure URS)
  - Standing to file under UDRP or URS confirmed to be trademark or similar unregistered substantive rights – Article 6ter of the Paris Convention can be evidence of standing, to be decided by the panelist(s)
- One remaining issue on which Working Group members were surveyed for preliminary consensus
  - Including possible use of arbitration or limited judicial proceedings (limited to disposal of ownership of domain) in a case where a losing registrant files court action against the winning IGO and the IGO succeeds in claiming jurisdictional immunity in that court
  - Working Group considered several options for dealing with this scenario to take into account concerns expressed by the GAC and IGOs, while preserving registrants' rights to legal recourse in a national court



# What are the current challenges? (2/3)

 Results\*\* of preliminary survey of Working Group members on three final options to deal with jurisdictional immunity scenario:

#### Option A:

- Original UDRP/URS panel decision is set aside if IGO succeeds in claiming immunity after a losing respondent files in court
- o 3 support, 8 do not support

#### Option B:

- Option A applies to domains created before a certain date; Option C applies (for a limited "trial period") to all domains created on or after that date
- 1 supports, 10 do not support

#### Option C:

- O Dispute can be transferred to arbitration (process to include certain specific elements), limited to decision on ownership of domain
- 8 support, 2 do not support, 1 can live with it

13 out of 19 Working Group members indicating continued participation responded to the survey



<sup>\*\* (1</sup> additional respondent indicated support for all 3 options; another indicated he can live with all three options)

# What are the current challenges? (3/3)

#### 2. GAC and IGO views on remaining proposal unknown:

- Working Group has engaged with IGOs on several occasions, including at prior ICANN meetings – not certain if GAC and IGOs will be able to provide feedback on the options at ICANN60
  - Working Group decided not to publish draft Final Report for additional public comments as ICANN60 is a good opportunity to obtain feedback
  - Working Group co-chairs conducted a webinar setting out all proposed final recommendations in early October
  - GNSO-Board and GNSO-GAC sessions at ICANN60 can be other good opportunities to encourage input

# 3. Ensuring balanced and sufficient community participation in final stages of the PDP:

 Working Group co-chairs and staff have reviewed membership list and reached out to less active members



#### **Additional Information & ICANN60 Sessions Information**

- Open Working Group community session: <a href="https://schedule.icann.org/">https://schedule.icann.org/</a>
  - Wednesday 1 November: 17.00-18.30
- Background information: <a href="https://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/igo-ingo-crp-access">https://gnso.icann.org/en/group-activities/active/igo-ingo-crp-access</a>
- ICANN60 Background Briefing Paper:
   <a href="https://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/policy-briefing-igo-ingo-crp-access-12oct17-en.pdf">https://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/policy-briefing-igo-ingo-crp-access-12oct17-en.pdf</a>
- Working Group Charter: <a href="https://gnso.icann.org/en/drafts/igo-ingo-crp-access-charter-24jun14-en.pdf">https://gnso.icann.org/en/drafts/igo-ingo-crp-access-charter-24jun14-en.pdf</a>
- Working Group online wiki space (meeting transcripts, call recordings, draft documents and background materials): <a href="https://community.icann.org/x/37rhAg">https://community.icann.org/x/37rhAg</a>

