**Subgroup 2 – Anything New**

**Work Statement & Work Plan**

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| Work Force Identification | |
| **Members** | * **Alan Greenberg** * **Stephanie Perrin** * **Susan Kawaguchi** |
| **Rapporteur** | * **Stephanie Perrin** |
| **Scope Objectives** | Consistent with ICANN’s mission and Bylaws, Section 4.6(e)(ii), the review team will assess the effectiveness of today’s WHOIS (the now current gTLD RDS, including cumulative changes made to the then-current RDS which was assessed by the prior RT) by (a) inventorying changes made to WHOIS policies and procedures since the prior RT completed its work, (b) using that inventory to identify significant new areas of today’s WHOIS (if any) which the team believes should be reviewed, and (c) determining if any specific measurable steps should be recommended to enhance effectiveness in those new areas. |
| **Comments on Scope, further details** |  |
| **Questions we will need to answer in assessing whether the objective has been reached** | All of the following have been initiated since the WHOIS RT final report of 2012 so these are all new since the last review.  Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy  Additional WHOIS Information Policy (AWIP)  New gTLD Uniform Rapid Suspension System (URS), URS Procedure and Rules -  Expired Registration Recovery Policy (ERRP)  Transition of .COM, .NET, and JOBS to Thick WHOIS Policy  Consistent Labeling and Display Policy  Translation/Transliteration of Contact Information Policy  Procedures for Handling RDS/WHOIS Conflicts with Privacy Law  RDS/WHOIS Data Retention Specification Waiver and Discussion Document  We will need to review these policies and documents to determine if there are any measurable steps that can be taken to make these more effective.  Have these been implemented properly? What challenges have staff faced in the implementation?  Are Registrars/Registries implementing these in a timely manner?  The following document provides information about the initiatives referenced above.  <http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/rds-whois2-rt/attachments/20180120/b2af2249/RDSWHOISRT2POLICYACTIVITYPOST2012INVENTORYLISTv6-0001.docx>  GDPR and other data protection laws around the world will impact all of the WHOIS policies including those listed above.  What steps should be taken to balance the applicable laws and consumer trust?  After ICANN implements an interim model to comply with GDPR review all WHOIS policies to determine what has changed. |
| **Estimate of comparative complexity of assessment (1=low, 5=high)** | 3 |
| **Estimate of comparative work load (1=low, 5=high)** | 3 |
| **Estimate of ideal sub-team size (1-5 persons)** | 3 |
| **Work Space URL:** | <https://community.icann.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=71604731> |
| **Mailing List:** | [rds-whois2-anythingnew@icann.org](mailto:rds-whois2-anythingnew@icann.org) |
| **Important Background Links:** | It may be helpful to start from the list provided on your dedicated Work Space under “Background documents”:  <https://community.icann.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=71604731>   * [WHOIS Review Implementation Reports](https://community.icann.org/display/WHO/WHOIS+Review+Implementation+Home), including   + [Executive Summary of Implementation Report](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/54691767/WHOIS%20Recs%201_16%2030Sept2016.pdf)   + [Detailed implementation Report](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/54691767/WHOIS%20Quarterly%20Summary%2031December2016.pdf) * [WHOIS Review Team Final Report](https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/final-report-11may12-en.pdf) (2012) * [WHOIS Task Force Final Report (2007) [HTML]](http://gnso.icann.org/en/issues/whois-privacy/whois-services-final-tf-report-12mar07.htm) and [[PDF]](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/56986695/FINAL%20TF%20Report%20on%20Whois%20Summary%20and%20Recommendations%20-%20EN.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1458501890000&api=v2) * [WHOIS Task Force Final Report](https://archive.icann.org/en/gnso/whois-tf/report-19feb03.htm) (2003) * [WHOIS1 Implementation Briefings on Recommendations 4, 12, 13, 14](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/69279139/WHOIS%20Briefing%20-%2028September2017%20-%20V2.0.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1506686336000&api=v2) * [WHOIS1 Implementation Briefings on Recommendations 5, 8, 10, 11](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/69279139/WHOIS1%20Implementation%20briefings%205%208%2010%2011.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1506504731000&api=v2) * [WHOIS1 Implementation Briefings on Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 15, 16](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/69279139/WHOIS%20Briefing%20-%2003October2017%20-%20V2.0.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1506780907000&api=v2) |

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| **Work Force Timeline** |
| * By 12 December 2017 - Adopt statement of work and associated work plan * By 12 December 2017 - Identify briefings / data sources needed. Determine requirements for independent expert(s) and - if necessary - develop Statement of Work * By 12 January 2018 - Review, analyze and summarize relevant documentation * By 16 January 2018 - Conduct investigation of identified objectives * By 16 January 2018 - Conduct relevant interviews as appropriate * By 16 January 2018 - Draft summary note of key findings * By 30 January 2018 - Approve findings * By 12 February 2018 - Assemble draft recommendations using the designated Review Team template * By 12 February 2018 - Cross-check draft recommendations with scope and Bylaws * By 2 March 2018 - Produce subgroup report for subgroup members' approval * By 9 March 2018 - Adopt & Circulate subgroup report to Review Team * By 16 March 2018 - Present subgroup report and proposed recommendations to Review Team * By 30 March 2018 - Incorporate edits suggested by the Review Team, as appropriate |

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| **Resources** | |
| **Requests for ICANN briefings** |  |
| **Requests for ICANN materials** |  |
| **Interviews to be conducted** | * Identify and conduct interviews with the staff that are responsible for each of these initiatives. |
| **Need for Independent Expert** | * [Evaluate if independent expert is needed * If independent expert is needed, subject to budget availability, develop and document   + Scope of work   + Skills and experience needed   + Timeline & milestones   + Deliverables] |
| **Other resources (existing outside studies, articles)** |  |