**WHOIS REVIEW TEAM MEETING**

**ICANN 43 Meeting in Costa Rica – Preliminary Report**

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| **RT Selectors and Members** (ET) Emily Taylor – Chair(BS) Bill Smith(KK) Kathy Kleiman – Vice-Chair(JB) James Bladel(OK) Omar Kaminski(MY) Michael Yakushev (PN) Peter Nettlefold(SH) Sarmad Hussain(SR) Seth Reiss(SK) Susan Kawaguchi(WW) Wilfried WoeberTranscript to be provided | **Remotely**(LD) Lutz Donnerhacke **Apologies**(LG) Lynn Goodendorf(SL) Sharon Lemon**ICANN Staff** (AJ) Alice Jansen(DN) Denise Michel(ON) Olof Nordling |

The WHOIS Review Team (RT) undertook the following:

**Sunday, 11 March 2012**

The Review Team held a formal meeting on Sunday, 11 March. The primary objective of this session was for Members to share their expectations and to exchange views on their desiderata for the Costa Rican meeting as well as defining a common modus operandi for the week and preparing for sessions with the GNSO Council, ICANN Community, GAC and ICANN Board of Directors.

**Monday, 12 March 2012**

The Review held an Interaction with the Community session during which it invited the ICANN Community to respond and/or react to its proposed recommendations and request for comments. The Team concluded Monday with a closed Internal Debriefing session during which the modus operandi and agenda for the following sessions were refined.

**Tuesday, 13 March 2012**

The Review Team met with the GAC following up on overviews already given.

**Wednesday, 14 March 2012**

The Review Team met with the ICANN Board following up a webinar held in February 2012. The Review Team held its full day of face-to-face meeting during which it walked through the recommendations to determine those which required rewording in light of comments received.

1. **Opening remarks & schedule**

The Team reviewed its schedule and adopted the draft agenda. [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San+Jose+Meeting](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San%2BJose%2BMeeting). (SK), (MY) and (SR) volunteered to attend sessions of interest and to provide a brief report to the full Team on Wednesday, 14 March.

1. **Report of activities**

Review Team Members reported their outreach activities and initiatives taken to solicit feedback from their communities and constituencies. (MY) drew the Team’s attention to terminological issues encountered in the Russian translation of the draft report.

1. **Modus Operandi & Material**

The Team stressed that it would be open to criticism provided that specific comments and guidance would be given. It furthermore agreed to highlight that the recommendations out for public comment are consensus recommendations and the result of diligent discussions. The Review Team reiterated its intention to produce recommendations that would be as actionable as possible and that a strict quality/sanity check would have to be performed.

(KK) invited the Team to review the document encapsulating comments received to date in the public comment box. The Chair and Vice-Chair both encouraged Members to write down any feedback they may hear during their meetings on the template prepared by Staff to this end. They also reminded the Team that a handout had been prepared for the Community.

The Review Team requested that Denise pull together a scorecard that would track the implementation paths and consequences.

1. **GNSO Council**

The Review Team analyzed draft responses prepared by (KK) in anticipation of the face-to-face meeting with the GNSO Council. Please refer to the set of questions the GNSO secretariat circulated following a webinar held on 19 January 2012: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/Call+with+the+GNSO+Council+-+19+January+2012](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/Call%2Bwith%2Bthe%2BGNSO%2BCouncil%2B-%2B19%2BJanuary%2B2012). The WHOIS Policy Review Team reached consensus on responses. The discussion material, transcript and recording of the session may be found at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San+Jose+Meeting](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San%2BJose%2BMeeting)

1. **Interaction with the Community**

The Review Team presented the outcome of its efforts to the ICANN Community. A great deal of feedback and comments were submitted in the meeting room as well as in the Adobe chat room. Material of this meeting may be found on the public wiki at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San+Jose+Meeting](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San%2BJose%2BMeeting)

1. **GAC**

The Review Team Chair introduced the GAC to the draft report and recommendations. Note that overviews had been provided prior to this meeting (webinar in February 2011 etc.). A number of GAC representatives submitted their feedback and announced that they would send a written submission to the public comment box. The recording and transcript of this meeting may be found on the public wiki at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San+Jose+Meeting](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San%2BJose%2BMeeting)

1. **ICANN Board of Directors**

Following up on the webinar held in February 2012, the Review Team provided the Board with a brief overview of the recommendations and enquired about implementation details. This led to a fruitful discussion during which the Review Team proposed to work hand in hand with Brian Cute, Chair of the Accountability & Transparency Review Team (ATRT) to provide the Board with lessons learned in terms of organizational processes. (DM) reiterated her intention to provide a cross-functional document that would track the implementation paths. The recording and transcript of this session may be found at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San+Jose+Meeting](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/San%2BJose%2BMeeting)

1. **Recommendations**

The Review Team meticulously reviewed the recommendations in light of written and verbal submissions collected to date. While agreement was reached on rewording of some recommendations, the Team acknowledged that additional discussion and decision-making was necessary. Members volunteered to shoulder these tasks as detailed below in item 9. The outcome of this discussion may be found on the RT’s private wiki at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreviewprivate/Final+Report](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreviewprivate/Final%2BReport)

1. **Timeline & Action items**

The Review Team reiterated its intention to publish its final report by 30 April 2012and drafted a list of action items and deliverables to this end. This list is also available at: [https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/Action+Items+-+Spring+2012](https://community.icann.org/display/whoisreview/Action%2BItems%2B-%2BSpring%2B2012)

* Revive call schedule (calls to take place on Wednesdays once a week; first call to take place on Wed, 28 March) – (AJ)
* Review and submit language of recs 5-9 (Data Accuracy) by 28 March – (SK)
* Review comments submitted to the Team and Denise's recommendation tracking document – All
* Propose alternative language for Proxy and Privacy recommendations by 28 March -  (JB) + (SK) + (PN) + (SR)
* Hold the pen on rec. 3 strategic priority by 28 March – (ET)
* Find text of accreditation by 28 March – (KK)
* Work on language of rec. 17 by 28 March – (ET)
* Review language of recs. on IDNs by 28 March– (SH) + (KK) + (WW) + (MY)
* Review your chapters and send redline to (SR) + (OK) + (AJ) by 21 March– All

Review body of text in light of comments and integrate changes suggested/required by Members– (SR) + (OK)

1. **Special thanks**

The Review Team applauded their Chair and Vice Chair’s great leadership and thanked them for their hard work.