

1. NCSG Strategic Review

- a. The leadership agreed that there are several outstanding issues that need addressing in how the two constituencies and the stakeholder group work together. However the precise nature of these issues remains to be fleshed out.
- b. The leadership agreed that the term "merger" is not the most accurate to define a process that might entail a full redesign of the Stakeholder Group, with eventual charter amendments.
- c. Rather, the leadership agreed that it would be beneficial to undertake a strategic review (or operational audit, final name tbd) led by a working group of dedicated volunteers from both constituencies and the stakeholder group.
- d. There was discussion on the necessity of having the working group work under clear terms of reference, scope, and desired outcomes.
- e. Such a review would take into account the available leadership positions, financial resources (i.e. travel funding), representation on the GNSO Council and Review Teams and also conduct a comprehensive assessment of the hardships faced by Stakeholder Group and its constituencies.
- f. There was no agreement that shutting down the two constituencies has to be the end goal, but there was also no agreement that it should be excluded as a potential solution outright either.
- g. ACTION ITEMS:
 - i. Hold a second leadership call during the week of 10 August, open to any NCSG member willing to dedicate time and effort to the review project.

2. Outreach and onboarding

- a. A proposal was made to request ICANN Org to hold regular introductory webinars for newcomers, in addition to ICANN Learn and the current onboarding resources.
- b. Several members insisted that constituencies and stakeholder groups need to tailor the onboarding of their new members to their own functioning, as well as message and purpose within ICANN.
- c. It was highlighted that, over the years, many attempts have been made to improve onboarding and recruit members willing to invest time and effort in policy work. The most successful form was probably mentorship and it was suggested to reintroduce the Buddy Mentor Programme.
- d. Some members highlighted how the past history of the constituencies and stakeholder group acts as a barrier to deeper involvement by newcomers.

3. ICANN 69

- a. There was agreement regarding holding an outreach event during prep week rather than during the main conference days. Adam Peake, of the GSE Team offered help to NCSG/NCUC/NPOC in setting that up.
- b. Due to time constraints, further discussion on the contents of the ICANN 69 events was pushed to the next call.