

NomCom 2013 report card

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NomCom 2013 essentials

Committee Leadership:

Chair (chosen by the Board): Yrjö Länsipuro

Associate Chair (chosen by Chair to assist): Adam Peake

Chair Elect (chosen by the Board to be 2014 NomCom Chair): Cheryl Langdon-Orr

Committee:

Voting members: 5 ALAC; 1 ccNSO; 1 ASO; 1 TLG; 1 IAB; 7 GNSO (RrSG, RySG, NCUC, ISPCP, IPC, CBUC [1 small / 1 large business rep])

Non-voting members: Chair; Chair Elect; Associate Chair; 1 SSAC; 1 RSSAC

ICANN Staff support: Olof Nordling (Staff Support Lead), Joette Youkhanna (Staff Support)

Handover session 2013 members in attendance: Chair; Chair Elect; Associate Chair; 2 ALAC (Latin America, North America, 0 Asia Pacific*, 0 Europe*, 0 Africa*); 1 NCUC; 1 ISPCP; 0 ccNSO; 0 ASO; 1 IPC; 1 RrSG; 0 RySG; 1 SSAC; 1 TLG; 0 RSSAC**; 2 BC; 0 IAB**

Day 1 members in attendance: Chair; Chair Elect; Associate Chair; 3 ALAC (Latin America, North America, Asia Pacific*, 0 Europe*, 0 Africa*); 1 NCUC; 1 ISPCP; 1 ccNSO; 1 ASO; 1 IPC; 1 RrSG; 1 RySG; 1 SSAC; 1 TLG; 0 RSSAC**; 2 BC; 0 IAB**

Day 2 members in attendance: Chair; Chair Elect; Associate Chair; 3 ALAC (Latin America & Caribbean, North America, Asia Pacific*, 0 Europe*, 0 Africa*); 0 NCUC; 0 ISPCP**; 1 ccNSO; 1 ASO; 1 IPC; 0 RrSG; 1 RySG; 1 SSAC; 1 TLG; 0 RSSAC**, 2 BC; 0 IAB**

* Visa did not arrive in time to attend meeting

** extenuating circumstances precluded attendance

Current work

The 2012 and 2013 NomCom members met on Thursday during the Toronto ICANN 45 meeting for an official handover session where the 2013 NomCom received the 2012 NomCom's recommendations.

Following the Toronto ICANN 45 meeting, the 2013 NomCom met for full day kick-off sessions on Friday and Saturday. Separate meetings were held with the Board Governance Committee; Board Chairman; ICANN CEO, COO, and new gTLD head; and ICANN General Counsel to receive briefings and/or exchange ideas to frame the 2013 NomCom's work.

The Committee met 'in session' for 20 hours while in Toronto.

Highlights of Output:

The 2013 NomCom:

1. in addition to the longer list of activities below, established a 'longer view', i.e. to work toward aspirational objectives, e.g. a 50/50 gender balance in the candidate pool as the basis for its 2013 mandate. The Committee's intention being to establish a path toward a stronger foundation to support 'ICANN of the future';
2. unanimously voted to record its meetings to capture the important discussions amongst the NomCom members over the course of its tenure for internal reference should that be necessary in its deliberations;
3. created a monthly 'Report Card' (this document) to update the greater ICANN community every month about the Committee's work in progress during its tenure;
4. established a Committee Attendance Record for publication in each monthly newsletter;
5. established clear distinctions between 'transparency' and 'confidentiality' in the NomCom process; the 2013 NomCom policy is "*public process; private data*";
6. created a Conflict of Interest Sub-committee;
7. created a Sub-committee for Outreach & Recruitment with representatives from all five ICANN regions, and a Sub-committee for External Recruitment Assistance (to examine feasibility of engaging a search firm); brainstormed a significant number of unique tracks to identify the largest possible worldwide candidate pool;
8. did an in-depth review of the Statement of Interest form (SOI) to improve clarity for candidates and to enhance and enable the output of the Committee;
9. established a detailed Timetable of Committee and Sub-committees Work over the coming year;

Other agenda items included reviews of the 2013 NomCom Rules and Procedures; confidentiality requirements; Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest parameters; open positions that the 2013 NomCom has been called upon to fill; outreach and recruitment requirements; candidate information management; methodology of candidate evaluations; due diligence process; selection process; and, most importantly, the importance of providing public information on the 2013 NomCom process.

Upcoming milestones

1. The Committee will post its first call for SOIs from potential candidates on November 7, 2012, in time for ICANN Open Forum at the IGF meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan. The deadline for receipt of SOIs is May 1, 2013.
2. The Committee will reconvene telephonically in mid-November 2012. Exact date to be established by all Committee members.
3. The Committee's next face-to-face meeting will be in Beijing at ICANN 46 meeting.