

Report of Public Comments

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<p>As initial discussions of the IANA Stewardship Transition were taking place, the ICANN community raised the broader topic of the impact of the transition on ICANN's current accountability mechanisms. From this dialogue, the Enhancing ICANN Accountability process was developed to provide assurance that ICANN remains accountable in the absence of its historical contractual relationship with the U.S. Government, which has been perceived as a backstop with regard to ICANN's organization-wide accountability since 1998. The CCWG-Accountability was chartered to consider how ICANN's broader accountability mechanisms should be strengthened in light of the IANA Functions transition, and to review the existing accountability mechanisms such as those within the ICANN Bylaws and the Affirmation of Commitments.</p> <p>The CCWG-Accountability is in the process of refining its conclusions and proposals based on the public comment received on the Accountability Framework it identified as essential to happen or be committed to before the IANA Stewardship Transition (Work Stream 1).</p> <p>Next steps include finalization of the report followed by submission to the Chartering Organizations' for endorsement. As appropriate, the Work Stream 1 conclusions will be delivered to the ICANN Board of Directors.</p>																			
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Section III: Summary of Comments

General Disclaimer: This section is intended to broadly and comprehensively summarize the comments submitted to this Forum, but not to address every specific position stated by each contributor. Staff recommends that readers interested in specific aspects of any of the summarized comments, or the full context of others, refer directly to the specific contributions at the link referenced above (View Comments Submitted).

The CCWG-Accountability is in the process of reviewing comments and addressing issues, as appropriate. The CCWG-Accountability leadership has indicated its wish to complete the analysis prior to publication of the staff summary. In the meantime, the staff summary can be found on the wiki at:

<https://community.icann.org/display/acctcrosscomm/Staff+Summary+-+Second+Public+Comment>

In addition, the CCWG-Accountability conducted a more detailed review of the public comment in preparation for ICANN54 in Dublin. These documents were developed by each subgroup and are available here:

<https://community.icann.org/x/qgpYAw>.