Public Comment Summary Report

ISPCP Constituency Charter Amendments

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Outcome:
The ICANN organization will share this summary report and the submissions with the ISPCP Constituency for its consideration. The ISPCP Constituency will then prepare a final version of its amended charter for consideration by its members. If approved, the final amended charter will be submitted it to the ICANN Board.

Section 1: What We Received Input On
The Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers (ISPCP) Constituency of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) recently amended its charter and notified ICANN staff of its request for approval by the ICANN Board. This Public Comment proceeding sought input on proposed amendments of the ISPCP Constituency charter to inform ICANN Board consideration.

The ISPCP Constituency amended its charter to reflect its current practices, align with its operating procedures, and accommodate its evolving needs. It also accounted for best practices for the GNSO, such as the GNSO Operating Procedures, Work Stream 2 (WS2) Recommendation 6 from the Cross-Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability, and the ICANN Bylaws. The amended ISPCP Constituency charter was the culmination of work by the ISPCP Constituency Charter Drafting Team in partnership with ICANN staff.

Section 2: Submissions
Section 3: Summary of Submissions
Submissions were generally supportive. The overall theme of the submissions was enforcement of new charter provisions. There was also one semantic recommendation.

Charter Enforcement
Regarding conflicts of interest, JO suggested the need for the ISPCP Constituency to “strictly enforce” membership eligibility and disclosure provisions to minimize any conflicts of interest. Additionally, transparency commitments must be held to the highest standard so that the constituency is accountable to its stakeholders and meets its obligations. The RySG noted that the ISPCP Constituency shares its dedication to increase transparency.

Semantic Recommendation
The Business Constituency suggested changing the language in Section 1.1(b) from “will ensure that policy development within ICANN guarantees and enhances the operational stability and security of the Internet” to a less directive term such as “contributes toward” as “the ISPCP cannot ‘ensure’ nor ‘guarantee’, at least on its own [the goals stated above].”

Section 4: Analysis of Submissions
The ICANN organization will work with ISPCP Constituency leaders to review the submissions and determine which suggestions, if any, to incorporate as changes in the final version of the amended charter. The analysis may include understanding the necessary effort and potential impact of accepting and implementing any suggestions.

Section 5: Next Steps
ISPCP Constituency leaders and members will consider the submissions and develop the final version of its amended charter for ICANN Board consideration.