

The ICANN GNSO “Business Constituency”



ICANN Business Constituency (BC) Support for PTI / IANA Governance Proposal

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This document provides input from the ICANN Business Constituency (BC) on the [PTI / IANA Governance Proposal](#), from the perspective of business users and registrants, as defined in our Charter:

1. promotes end-user confidence because it is a safe place to conduct business
2. is competitive in the supply of registry and registrar and related services
3. is technically stable, secure and reliable.

Background

The BC has previous submitted comments regarding IANA functions:

In 2023, the BC supported the [IANA Naming Function Review Bylaws Changes](#).

In 2021, the BC supported a [minor amendment to the IANA contract](#).

In 2020, the BC commented on the first [IANA Naming Function Review](#).

The proposed PTI Bylaws amendments include:

- Modifying the timing for the initial delivery of the PTI Operating Plan & Budget to the PTI Board, which is currently set to nine months prior to the start of the fiscal year, to a 90-day window. This will allow better alignment with the remainder of ICANN’s planning processes.
 - *“Section 9.2 ANNUAL BUDGET (a) At least 90 days prior to the commencement of each fiscal year, the Corporation shall submit to the PTI Board and the Board of Directors of ICANN (the “ICANN Board”) a proposed annual operating plan and budget for the Corporation’s next fiscal year (“Annual Budget)”*
- Moving PTI from a four-year strategic planning cycle to a five-year strategic planning cycle, which will enable alignment with ICANN’s five-year strategic planning work.
 - *“Section 13.1 Strategic Plan - The first Strategic Plan subject to the five-year term set out in Section 9.3(a) shall cover the fiscal years 2026 through 2030. The Corporation’s strategic plan covering fiscal years 2020 through 2024 shall remain in force through the end of the Corporation’s fiscal year ending 2025.”*

Comment

The proposed PTI Bylaws amendments seem relatively minor, and reasonable.

The ICANN BC does not have any significant concerns about the proposed PTI Bylaws amendments, and is generally supportive of these proposed PTI Bylaws amendments.

The ICANN BC has been generally satisfied with the functioning of IANA and would like to acknowledge how well IANA serves BC members, including business users, registrants, registrars and registries.

This comment was drafted by Rajiv Prasad.

It was approved in accord with our charter.