

Comment on the Cross Community Working Group (CWG) on Naming Related Functions Draft Transition Proposal

Italy welcomes the statement by the National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) on 14 March 2014, announcing its "Intent to Transition Key Internet Domain Name Functions" by September 2015.

Moreover, we appreciate the chance to express our comments on the Draft Proposal.

Customer Standing Committee

As a general principle, we believe that the reform process of the stewardship of the IANA functions should duly take into account the interest of all stakeholders.

At the same time, the presence of a commission dealing exclusively with technical issues related to the day-by-day work could improve the efficiency of the overall process. Before the transition takes places, the boundaries within the CSC should operate must be defined in a clearly and unambiguous way.

<u>ccTLDs</u>

Regarding the ccTLD, it's essential that the overall robustness and stability of the global Internet as well as the security and stability of the domainname system should be maintained. At the same time, the most minimal impact on ccTLDs national sovereignty must be fully guaranteed, with particular reference to the delegation and re-delegation decisions.

Redress and appeals mechanisms

In the novel organization, proper checks and balances must be in place, with effective and affordable means of appeal and redress, and adequate guarantees of independence.

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