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PAGE 3: Recommendation 1

Q4: Is establishing an Empowered Community for enforcing Community Powers a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please see Annex 1 -Recommendation #1: Establishing An Empowered Community For Enforcing Community Powers for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment

AFTLD supports this recommendation and the proposed "Sole Designator" model requiring the creation of a unified entity, "Empowered Community" with all the statutory enforcement powers including the removal of individual members of the Board of Directors or all the Board members. However, AFTLD seeks clarification on the following; 1. How the new entity is different from the "ICANN COMMUNITY" bottom up, multi-stakeholder designator model currently in use.

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Q5: Is empowering the community through consensus: engage, escalate, enforce a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please see Annex 02 - Recommendation #2: Empowering The Community Through Consensus: Engage, Escalate, Enforce for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment

However, AFTLD considers the timelines for the steps proposed as too aggressive. The possibility of missing the deadlines is very high given the fact that each SO/AC is free to deploy its internal process to arrive at approving or rejecting any petition or proposal to escalate. AFTLD takes note of the fact that that members of the SO/AC at all levels have their daily paid jobs that would compete with the aggressive deadlines as proposed. If the intention is that only the leadership of the SOs/ACs accept any of the steps on behalf of the community, then the ICANN's multistakeholder bottom up process would be jeopardized. AFTLD suggests a further rethink and re-consideration of the complicated steps and the attendant aggressive deadlines that have been proposed.

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Q6: Is redefining ICANN's Bylaws as 'Standard Bylaws' and 'Fundamental Bylaws' a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please see Annex 03 - Recommendation #3: Redefining ICANN's Bylaws As 'Standard Bylaws' And 'Fundamental Bylaws' for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment We have no comments. We support the recommendation in its current form.

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Q7: Is ensuring community involvement in ICANN decision-making: seven new Community Powers a solution that is acceptable to you? (Please refer to Annex 04: Details on Recommendation 4: Ensuring Community Involvement In ICANN Decision-Making: Seven New Community Powers for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment

AFTLD partially supports this recommendation To AFTLD's understanding, the Post Transition IANA (PTI) would no longer be a department in ICANN, going by the CWG Transition proposal. As a legal (ICANN Affiliate) entity, AFTLD would expect a separate Strategic and Operational Plan for PTI in addition to its annual budget. In as much as the proposal in lines 140-145 tries to put the IANA Functions Budget rejection different from ICANN's, there seems to still be a gluing of IANA Functions (PTI) as a Department of ICANN and not a legal entity proposed by CWG, especially the proposal of including IANA Functions Budget in the fundamental bylaw. Since there is no definition of caretaker budget, in the proposal, it is also difficult for AFTLD to determine whether to fully support the recommendation or not. AFTLD suggests a further clarification of these aspects of the proposed recommendation and would suggest that rejection of Annual Operating budget of both ICANN and PTI be not included as fundamental bylaws rather as Standard bylaws. AFTLD supports the rejection of Strategic and Operating plan by the community and including same as fundamental bylaws.

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Q8: Is changing aspects of ICANN's Mission, Commitments and Core Values a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 05 - Details on Recommendation #5: Changing Aspects Of ICANN's Mission, Commitments And Core Values for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment AfTLD supports the recommendation in its current format.

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Q9: Is reaffirming ICANN's commitment to respect internationally recognized human rights as it carries out its Mission a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 06 - Recommendation #6: Reaffirming ICANN's Commitment to Respect Internationally Recognized Human Rights as it Carries Out Its Mission for more information) Yes, I support this recommendation.,

Comment AfTLD supports this recommendation in its current format.

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Q10: Is strengthening ICANN's Independent Review Process a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 07: Recommendation 7: Strengthening ICANN's Independent Review Process for more information)	Yes, I support this recommendation., Comment AfTLD supports this recommendation.
AGE 10: Recommendation 8	
Q11: Is fortifying ICANN's request for reconsideration process a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 08 - Recommendation #8: Improving ICANN's Request For Reconsideration Process for more information)	Yes, I support this recommendation., Comment AfTLD Supports this recommendation
AGE 11: Recommendation 9	
Q12: Is incorporation of the Affirmation of Commitments a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 09 - Recommendation #9: Incorporation of the Affirmation of Commitments for more information)	Yes, I support this recommendation.,
	Comment AfTLD Supports this recommendation
AGE 12: Recommendation 10	
Q13: Is enhancing the accountability of Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 10 - Recommendation #10: Enhancing the Accountability of Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees for more information)	Yes, I support this recommendation.,
	Comment AfTLD Supports this recommendation
AGE 13: Recommendation 11	
Q14: Is Board obligations regarding GAC Advice (Stress Test 18) a solution that is acceptable to you?(Please refer to Annex 11 - Recommendation #11: Board obligations regarding GAC Advice)	Comment AFTLD cannot determine if the GAC accepts this recommendation. AFTLD is neutral on it.
AGE 14: Recommendation 12	
Q15: Is committing to further accountability work in Work Stream 2 a solution that is acceptable to you? (Please refer to Annex 12 - Recommendation #12: Committing to further accountability work in Work Stream 2)	Yes, I support this recommendation.,
	Comment AfTLD supports this recommendation as is

PAGE 15: Additional Information

Q16: Please submit comments you have in addition to the information provided above, including on NTIA criteria, CWG-Stewardship requirements and Stress Tests.

AFTLD commends the great work done by the CCWG regarding the proposal on Enhancing ICANN Accountability Work Stream 1.

AFTLD expresses its gratitude to members of the Group and welcomes the opportunity to comment on the draft proposal.