A. Planning / Initiation	
Issues to be addressed	**Current PDP**
1. Who has the right to initiate a request for an issues report	**1. Raising an Issue.** An issue may be raised by any of the following: a. *Board Initiation.* b. *Council Initiation.* By a vote of at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the members of the Council present. c. *Advisory Committee Initiation.*

2. Procedures for requesting an issues report	**2. Creation of the Issue Report**
	
	Within fifteen (15) calendar days after receiving either (i) an instruction from the Board; (ii) a properly supported motion from a Council member; or (iii) a properly supported motion from an Advisory Committee, the Staff Manager will create a report (an "Issue Report"). Each Issue Report shall contain at least the following:
	    a. The proposed issue raised for consideration;
	    b. The identity of the party submitting the issue;
	    c. How that party is affected by the issue;
	    d. Support for the issue to initiate the PDP;
	    e. A recommendation from the Staff Manager as to whether the Council should initiate the PDP for this issue (the "Staff Recommendation"). Each Staff Recommendation shall include the opinion of the ICANN General Counsel regarding whether the issue proposed to initiate the PDP is properly within the scope of the ICANN policy process and within the scope of the GNSO. In determining whether the issue is properly within the scope of the ICANN policy process, the General Counsel shall examine whether such issue:
	    1. is within the scope of ICANN's mission statement;
	    2. is broadly applicable to multiple situations or organizations;
	    3. is likely to have lasting value or applicability, albeit with the need for occasional updates;
	    4. will establish a guide or framework for future decision-making; or
	    5. implicates or affects an existing ICANN policy.
	
	    f. On or before the fifteen (15) day deadline, the Staff Manager shall distribute the Issue Report to the full Council for a vote on whether to initiate the PDP, as discussed below.

3. Issues Scoping – identify the agreed upon goal of the PDP	Not Addressed.
4. What can be the end result of a PDP	Not Addressed.
5. The ongoing role of the Office of the General Counsel in providing legal advice to the policy development process	See 2(e) above.
6. How to incorporate public comments	Not Addressed.
7. Whether to conduct informative workshops to educate the public	Not Addressed.
8. How to make PDPs more efficient	Not Addressed.
9. Expected Outcome of Planning/Initiation Phase	Not Addressed.
10. Build in flexibility to allow for additional research and/or fact finding.	Not Addressed.
11. Whether to conduct preliminary economic analysis, such as to evaluate market demands, impact to Community, ICANN staff costs, and other resources needed from ICANN	Not Addressed.