

Comments from NORID on the second Draft Proposal of the Cross Community Working Group on the IANA Stewardship Transition on Naming Related Functions

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NORID welcomes the opportunity to provide input to the second draft and the significant work the group has done to deliver an appropriate model for the transition of the IANA Stewardship within the restricted timeframe given and the openness in which the process has been conducted under. We note that there has been significant progress since the first draft. We support most of the principles outlined, but have some doubts regarding the proposed relationship between the Post-Transition IANA (PTI) and ICANN, the composition of the IANA Functions Team (IFRT) and the complexity of the post-transition structures.

Furthermore we support the views of our regional organization CENTR.

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