



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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Jonathan Robinson
Chair, GNSO Council

Dear Jonathan,

I am writing to acknowledge your letter of 22 July 2015, **A Cross-Community Working Group (CCWG) – The use of new gTLD auction proceeds.**

Thank you for your summary of the two sessions that related to the topic of the new gTLD auction proceeds, and thank you for your work in the lead up to Buenos Aires in ensuring that these sessions were as open and inclusive as possible.

I want to echo the sentiment expressed in your letter regarding the importance of us all taking our time with any exercise in relation to this topic. As you have stated, it is important that we capture all input and questions to form a solid base for future discussions and I encourage us all to reach out broadly across geographies and sectors. It will be essential that we seek and facilitate input from those who may know very little about our stakeholder structures, so that our work can be globally and robustly informed from the start.

At this point, I would also like to nominate a board member (to be determined), and a member of additional staff to aid the drafting team and to act as an official liaison to the Board, keeping us up-to-date and informed so that we may assist where useful. Nora Abusitta, VP Development and Public Responsibility Programs at ICANN will assist in this role.

Best wishes,

Steve

cc: Fadi Chehadé, Nora Abusitta