

# **Board Public Participation Committee**

Wednesday, 24 June 2009

# Agenda

- We hope you have had time to review the 16page backgrounder document (http:// syd.icann.org/files/ meetings/sydney2009/ ppc-backgroundersydney.pdf)
- Status Updates
- Issues for discussion
- Informal chat





# Status updates

Document deadlines | Language | Calendar of meetings



### Document deadlines (Katim Touray)

- Document deadlines now in place
  - Split 10 and 15-day deadlines for Sydney
  - Committee charged with creating policy for Seoul
  - Looking at a single 15-day deadline
- What should deadline cover? Agendas?
  Presentations?
- Are the ACs/Sos prepared and/or able to meet such document deadlines?



#### Language (Jean-Jacques Subrenat)

- Both lingo and use of English still an issue
  - More translation, more interpretation each year
  - Question Box in multiple languages
  - Pioneering use of interactive video transcripts
  - New announcements process
  - Working on multilingual front page
  - Committee to be charged with developing process for Executive Summaries of documents
- What issues are not being addressed?



## Calendar of meetings (Dennis Jennings)

- Please see Backgrounder document for full calendar or events used to determine provisional dates.
- 2011
  - 13-18 March; 19-24 June; 09-14 October
- 2012
  - 11-16 March; 24-29 June; 14-19 October
- 2013
  - 07-12 April; 14-19 July; 17-22 November



### Issues for discussion

Public comment process | Public forum | Electronic tools for participation



### Public comment process (Thomas Narten)

- Public comment period overload?
  - Number of periods have jumped; but not followed by number of comments
  - Do we reduce number? How?
- Approach taken does it need revisiting?
  - What are the requirements?
- Feedback are you getting enough?
- Rules and procedures are they clear?



### Public forum (Thomas Roessler)

- More two-way discussion needed
  - Two lines of microphones to enable issue-based discussion
  - Give remote participants and new participants priority?
  - How to get away from series of statements
- How can we encourage more of the community to take an active role?
- Board interaction
  - More dialogue needed between audience and Board



### Electronic tools (Mike Silber)

- Existing tools
  - Chatrooms, websites, Adobe Connect, video, audio, question box, Twitter, open microphones
  - What works well, what does not?
  - What role do open formats play?
- Is there a limit to effective remote participation?
  - Tools ICANN is not using?
  - What improvements can be made?
- Website usability study
  - Linked to on front page advise people to take survey



#### THANK YOU and informal chat

Spend 10 minutes talking among ourselves – take a break from formal nature of ICANN meetings

