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# Netnod Response to the IANA Stewardship Transition Coordination Group (ICG) Call for Public Comment on IANA Stewardship Transition Proposal

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Netnod has been an active observer throughout the IANA Stewardship Transition Process. We have closely followed the discussions in the various operational communities, and have reviewed the ICG combined proposal. Netnod wishes to make the following comments and observations:

Netnod strongly supports the IANA Stewardship Transition Process.

Netnod supports the NTIA criteria set for the IANA Stewardship Transition proposal and believe they echo the principles by which the operational communities have operated under.

Netnod believes that:

- The ICG draft proposal satisfies the criteria set by the NTIA.
- The process, by which the three operational proposals, as well as the combined ICG proposal were developed, has been bottom-up, inclusive, transparent and open to anyone wishing to participate in the process.
- The combined ICG draft proposal is clear, complete, workable and representative of the consensus of the three operational communities.
- The operational community proposals work together as a single proposal, with no observed issues of compatibility and interoperability.
- The ICG draft proposal maintains the openness, resilience, and security of the Internet.
- The ICG draft proposal supports and enhances the bottom-up, consensus-driven, multistakeholder model.

Netnod further believes that completing the IANA Stewardship Transition is an important step in acknowledging the maturity, stability and success of the bottom-up, consensus-driven multistakeholder governance model, a model that Netnod is a strong and active advocate of.

Netnod believes that the bottom-up, inclusive, consensus-driven, multistakeholder model is what has allowed the Internet to develop as the unparalleled engine of economic growth and



innovation it is today. We further believe that the multistakeholder model has proven to be the best model for maintaining an open, resilient, and secure Internet, as well as for minimising any potential risk of undue influence of any single stakeholder, government or otherwise.

We support the observations made by the Internet Society (ISOC) in its paper “Perspectives on the IANA Stewardship Transition Principles”<sup>1</sup>.

Finally, we wish to express our appreciation to the ICG for its work, as well as all to the members of the Internet community, who have contributed to this proposal.

Yours sincerely,

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#### **About Netnod**

Netnod is a technical Internet infrastructure organisation based in Stockholm, Sweden. Netnod manages Internet exchange points (IXPs) in Sweden and Denmark, offers DNS anycast services globally. Netnod is also the operator of i.root-servers.net, one of 13 logical DNS root name servers.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.internetsociety.org/sites/default/files/IANA-Transition-Perspectives-20150728-en.pdf>

