

Status Report on PAB & Board Issues & Actions, January 2007

1. Report from the Registration Period Working Group (March 05)

The PAB, having considered the report of the Registration Periods Working Group, resolved to recommend that the Board consider the additional implementation of single year registrations and the synchronisation of multiple registrations to a common renewal date through shorter registration periods. The PAB resolved to recommend that the Board do not implement registration periods longer than two years for the time being, but resolved to reconsider the issue in approximately two years' time.

NB at its May 2005 meeting, the PAB clarified that this resolution applied also to renewals as well as new registrations.

Status: In progress. This item is scheduled to return to the PAB in the draft work programme.

2. IDN Working Group Report (March06)

The PAB resolved that Nominet should introduce IDN as soon as possible with reasonable support following an Executive response and further discussion at PAB level.

Status: In progress

3. .net.uk conclusion and recommendations (July 06)

The PAB resolved to accept the conclusions of the .net.uk SLD. The PAB further resolved that the rules should remain unchanged and that the working group should be closed. The Board requests that the PAB prepare a brief statement to address the concerns of those members who requested a change in the .net.uk rules, to communicate the reasoning for the PAB's decision to recommend no change.

Status: In progress

4. Governance Review PAB issues (July 06- November 2006)

The PAB resolved to adopt the work programme set out at Annex A of the "Governance Review PAB Issues" paper, but requested the executive to bring forward the DRS review consultation.

Status: Completed. The DRS review was brought forward to the November meeting and the consultation runs from 17 November 2006 to 16 February 2007.

The PAB resolved to adopt the Register of Interests set out at Annex B of the "Governance Review PAB Issues" paper and resolved that the Register should be maintained by the Company Secretary, reviewed as part of the annual audit and a report included in the Annual Report.

Status: Completed. PAB members are now requested to disclose any interests to the Company Secretary.

The PAB title was changed to Policy Advisory Body.

Status: Completed.

The PAB recommended that the communications of the PAB's role be improved.

Status: This has been incorporated into the executive work programme.

The PAB resolved to recommend the adoption of the "Role of the PAB" as set out in Appendix 1 of the paper "Governance Review PAB Issues" subject to its review if and when the scope or activities of Nominet widens and subject to the PAB rules.

Status: Completed. The "Role of the PAB" has been adopted and will be reviewed when appropriate.

5. WHOIS for Tags (September 06)

The PAB resolved to recommend to the Board the proposals in Section 4 of the paper "WHOIS for Tags – final implementation" be implemented, subject to a request that the proposal to publish linked tag information be removed from the WHOIS but published in another manner.

Status: Completed. This item has been incorporated into the executive work programme.

6. Industry Standards (September 06)

The PAB resolved to recommend to the Board the adoption of (i) the recommendations within section 7.2 of the paper "Raising Industry Standards Consultation" subject to the removal of the PAB as a potential party to hear appeals; and (ii) subject to drafting modifications, the Standard Terms and Conditions for Registrars and the Good Practice terms incorporated therein.

Status: Completed. This item has been incorporated into the executive work programme with a view that the revised Terms and Conditions for Registrars and the Good Practice Terms will be launched early next year.