

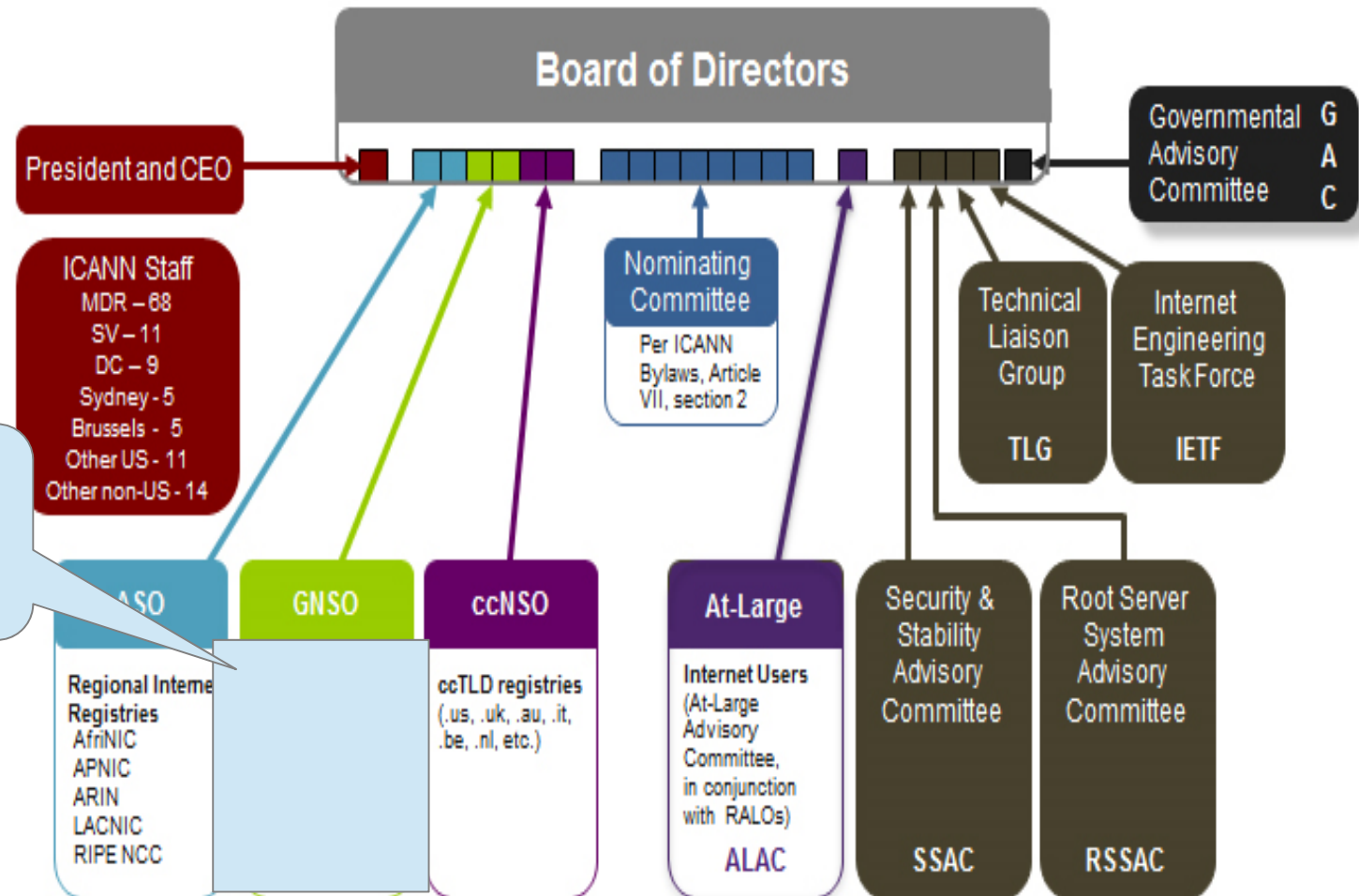
# ICANN User participation

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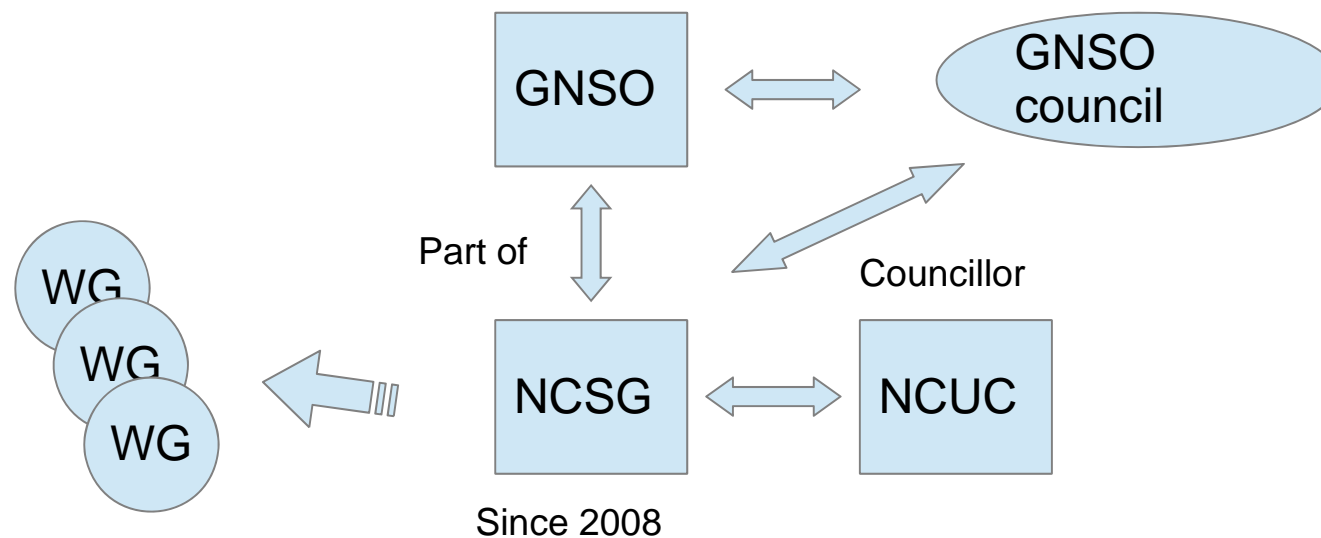
Where to participate?

# ICANN Multi-Stakeholder Model



I participate here

# What I am doing there and why



I started in 2008 as member of non-commercial users constituency and non-commercial stakeholder group, the only space for non-commercial and **civil society**.

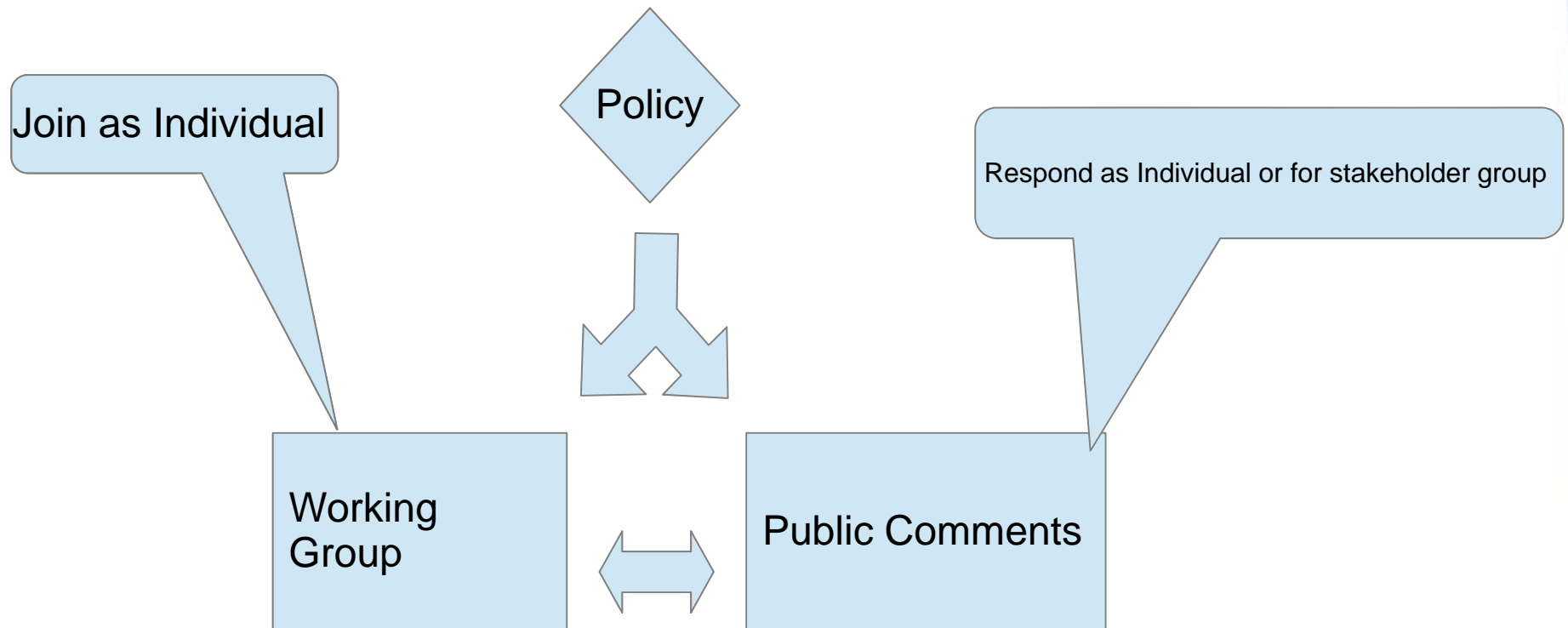
A rare space when multistakeholderism is practiced and participation is possible as individual interested by IG

- I was a GNSO councilor for 3 years representing non-commercial : GNSO is where policy for gTLD is developed
- Former member of some NCSG committees
- Former nomcom member e.g. appointing board members
- I am participating in several working groups and co-chair of JAS WG, Cross-community Working group on Internet Governance

# How to participate (1/2)

- **Policy** : Taking part of working groups and submitting public comments about policy issues : the real work done there!
- **Join**: GNSO constituency or Stakeholder Group, ALAC etc
- **Being Appointed**: to apply via Nomcom process for the leadership positions within ICANN structures e.g. board
- **Attend** ICANN meetings physically or by remote participation: many sessions, a lot of information to digest

# How to participate (2/2)



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# Conclusion

- Is it the perfect example of IG multistakeholder model? Not so bad
- Why we should participate there ? To influence the outcome



# To be Continued..

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