

YESIM NAZLAR:

Thank you very much. Let's please start the recording. I'll go ahead with the roll call.

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the ATLAS III Working Group call, taking place on Wednesday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January, 2019. It's 1800 UTC.

On our call today, on the English channel, we have Maureen Hilyard, Olivier-Crepin-Leblond, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Natalia Filina, Abdulkarim Ayopo Oloyede, Bram Fudzulani, Ali AIMeshal, Abdelmonem Galila, Shreedeeep Rayamajhi, Raymond Mamattah, Kaili Kan, Marita Moll, Eduardo Diaz, Alfredo Calderon, Lianna Galstyan, Ejikeme Egbuogu, Aris Ignacio, Lilian Ivette De Luque, Joanna Kulesza, Justine Chew, Hadia Elminiawi, Priyatosh Jana, and Fouad Bajwa. I also see that Pierre-Jean Darres has joined as well.

Currently, we don't have anyone on the Spanish channel.

On the French channel, we have Michel Tchonang Linze.

We have received apologies from Hong Xue, Matthieu Camus, Satish Babu, Amrita Choudhury, Vrikson, and Iván Acosta Velásquez.

From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Gisella Gruber, and myself, Yesmin Nazlar. I'll be managing today's call.

I would like to remind everyone that we have Spanish and French interpretation for today's call. Our Spanish interpreters are Claudia and David, and our French interpreter is Claire.

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So, just a final reminder for everyone: please state your names before speaking, not only for the transcription, but also for the interpretation purposes as well, please.

For those who are on the phone bridge, please don't forget to use \*6 to mute your lines and \*7 to unmute.

Now, I would like to leave the floor back to you, Maureen. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you. Thank you for that wonderful introduction, Yesim. Welcome, everybody. It's really great – I know that people are still coming into the call. I think we're expecting a good number, but already we're starting to get plenty people into this call. I'm very pleased with that.

Okay. So, what we'll be doing today is basically going over – what I wanted to do was for Olivier to give us a little brief introduction as to the historical aspects of ATLASes that we've actually had in the past. Then, we'll go over what we're going to be doing in ATLAS III. Eduardo will look at the timeline so we can see what the expectations are for things that are going to happen.

Then, Olivier and I will give a brief introduction to the two working groups. We wanted to do this together so that everyone got a good idea of the big picture about what ATLAS III is going to involve from this time onward. Of course, then we will move into our separate groups and work specifically. So, hopefully, we'll get through this and have a little

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bit of question time before we close the meeting and move into the next step.

So, what we'll do then is, first off, turn it over to Olivier to tell us a little about what they've been doing and what they've done in the past. I only attended the one in London. That was ATLAS II. So, there were things with ATLAS 1 that, although I read about it – anyone can because there's references to the previous meetings on the main page of the ATLAS Summit. So, you can read it at your leisure.

Olivier?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Maureen. Can you hear me?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, we can.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: You can. Okay. Excellent. Thank you. Well, there we are, coming up to another At-Large Summit, the third one of its kind, with the other two before having the [inaudible] coming up in a few months' time.

The first At-Large Summit that I attended was ATLAS I, the original summit that was put together for the Mexico conference. I think that was in 2009 or so, in Mexico City. The lead-up to the first At-Large Summit was effectively, I guess, to work on a number of topics and

discuss a number of topics, part of it being what is At-Large and also getting our community to get to meet each other.

The At-Large Advisory Committee had only been created a few years earlier. There had never been a summit with all of the At-Large Structures meeting face-to-face, and this was a perfect opportunity, during the length of the Mexico City meeting.

The At-Large Summit itself took place not in a conference hotel but in an adjacent hotel due to logistics. There were a number of topics being discussed there. I don't think I have time in ten minutes to speak about the whole details, if you want, but what it did bring forward is to actually get our community to start understanding what ICANN was all about, which was an important thing, what gTLDs, ccTLDs, the GNSO, the ccNSO, the GAC – all these acronyms – meant and also put together a plan for the At-Large community to take part in ICANN work.

Prior to this, I think there were only a handful of people that were taking part. The rest didn't really quite know what to expect. Really, by the looks and the feedback from many, the first At-Large Summit, really got people to understand what was going on. In fact, there are a number of people that are still around today, very active, that actually really started getting active in ICANN and in the At-Large community during the first At-Large Summit.

The one topic that I recall was one about IPv6, but there were plenty of others. I might ask some of the veterans among us who were there to perhaps let us know a little bit about their insight from the first At-Large Summit.

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But, for many, as I said, it was really the time when they started becoming active and getting more involved.

I see there's an echo here. Can you hear an echo, or is it just Beran that has an echo at the moment?

YESIM NAZLAR:

Olivier, if I may – this is Yesim – I see Beran is connected two times, twice, on the Adobe Connect. That's might be the reason. She might to drop one of the connections.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay. Thanks for this, Yesim. That makes sense. So, no echo, and I see Ali says, "No echo," and [inaudible] [either]. So, fine. Great – oh, thank you, Cheryl, for adding some points about the first At-Large Summit. The main purpose – exactly – as Cheryl mentioned, was capacity-building and not only getting our ALSes to know about ICANN but also getting the ICANN community to start seeing that we are a real community, that we have a lot of people that are out there that are interested in getting involved and have a say in the overall ICANN policy development and policy commenting processes.

So, that was the first At-Large Summit.

Now, because so many people starting getting involved at that time and it was such a success, we decided that it was probably a good idea to repeat the experience. About five years later – we're talking here about 2014 now – we were afforded the ability to have a second At-Large Summit, and that took place in London.

In the meantime, the community had grown by a lot of people, and we ended up with about 150 At-Large Structures that traveled over to London. It was a pretty large affair, a very different dynamic, I would say. The first At-Large Summit was really mostly in small rooms. With the second At-Large Summit, we had a big hall with a lot of people. We also broke up into small breakout rooms to decide and work on specific topics as well, with an end result of coming up with a full statement and a number of recommendations for the At-Large community to continue growing the ALAC and the At-Large and growing its working groups and growing pretty much all of the different things that we effectively do.

There were a lot of people, as I said. The number of recommendations was humongous. We had in excess of 30 recommendations. Then, we had to go, after the summit, into a follow-up to implement the recommendations that were made.

As with any recommendations made by large groups, some of them were very much to the point. Some of them were a little bit less. There was a mix of so many different recommendations. Some of we could act on ourselves. Some of them were out of our hands and we had to pass them on to ICANN departments, etc., and other groups. But, I think that the majority of them eventually got implemented.

So, the topics, really again – maybe less capacity-building at the time, but a large focus on actually looking at ourselves and seeing how can we improve At-Large? How can we get more involved in specific topics? The recommendations took over a year to implement – in fact, perhaps even two years to implement. I think, by the end, everyone was pretty sick of

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implementing recommendations. And, of course, the moment we finished with that, we ended up doing the At-Large Review.

But, the second summit – again, 150 people, lots of people from around the world. I think that, yet again, we got another wave of people that became very actively involved, thanks to having participated in that face-to-face meeting.

At that time, we also put together a complete rotation of general assemblies and summits. So, the general assemblies, of course, are the assemblies that are done by each one of the RALOs. So, each one of the RALOs had the ability to have their face-to-face general assembly taking place at the summit.

Then, we put together a calendar to say that we would have regional general assemblies taking place within that five-year lifespan between summits. So, each one of the regions would have at least one general face-to-face, funded general assembly. The forecast, then, for a subsequent summit was, again, five years.

So, after this, I guess, the pressure was on to get a third At-Large Summit. That's what we've got coming up now, perhaps with a slightly different dynamic in that the community has since grown even more, and one of the big problems are costs, of course, with so many more people. So, the second summit has tried to emphasize the activity of people doing policy work and so on.

I think that a subset of people really followed up a lot. I'm not sure if the whole community managed to follow through completely. Perhaps this is something that the third At-Large Summit could look into so that we

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have a very active user base of active people. What I mean by “active” is active not only in capacity-building for our ALSes but also active on policy.

I know that other people that have been around for so long, such as me, are on the call. So, Cheryl or Dave or Alan or – and, I’m looking through the list here – Sebastien, if any of you wish to add, then now’s the time.

Tijani Ben Jemaa?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Olivier. I was one of those who attended the two previous summits. I would like to speak about the first one, which I found very productive. We were split into breakout groups and breakout sessions. I was in Group #3, discussing the New gTLD Program. Our statement about the New gTLD Program was very important. Today, we have the same positions about the New gTLD Program, and it feels like, from my point of view, something that At-Large did very well.

I think that this, ATLAS III, should also address hot topics in ICANN. And, we should produce the point of view of the whole At-Large, gathered at the summit, about those topics. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks for this, Tijani. You’re absolutely correct. The statements that came out – by the way, I’m also speaking from the point of view that I was rather new at the time as well. That really opened my eyes to the policies that the ALAC were supporting. I think the groups got these things quite right, very early on.



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Alan Greenberg?

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you very much. I guess I want to emphasize that this is a learning exercise and a process going forward. The only thing that is really consistent is that we're still calling it a summit. The intentions of what we tried to get out of it and the methodology we used during the two summits that we had so far were quite different, and this one will be different yet again. So, it's very much a learning exercise.

We're talking about putting an awful lot of energy and money into this process, and we are, as best we can, trying to make it both effective and useful to the community. That means it is changing from past ones, and it will change again no doubt, presuming we get to a fourth one someday.

So, just keep in mind it's not so much a matter of keeping the tradition, other than holding the summit, but trying to use the resources we have. The people resources, both staff and volunteers, are a huge part of that.

What we're trying to do is make it effective for the At-Large of today. I hope it will be. I believe it will be. But, it's important that it's not just a matter of tradition. It's a matter of trying to do something which will help At-Large grow and prosper. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much, Alan. I've also put some links to the first summit and links to the second, ATLAS I and ATLAS II. I hope my Internet works, actually, because ATLAS I has just disappeared.

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The first ATLAS actually had – [I’ve now found] the different groups that were discussing issues. There was At-Large engagement in ICANN. There was future structure and governance of ICANN. There was new gTLDs, including IDN gTLDs. There was transparency and accountability of ICANN and, finally, DNS security issues within ICANN’s mandate.

But, remember, this is 2009. Think about the last five years and the issues that ICANN has been speaking about in the last five years. Hmm. Sounds like we’ve been talking about these things before they were even discussed ICANN-wide.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thank you, Olivier. Yes, indeed, it was foundational work back in ATLAS I, which was appropriate at the time. I mean, let’s face it, people. We had At-Large Structures that had been actively pursued to join the ICANN family, and we had members in those At-Large Structures who quite literally couldn’t spell “ICANN.” So, there was a whole lot of basics that we had to cover.

However, we did do that, I think, very successfully, and some of the foundational work there is continued on to this very day, as you’ve all just pointed out.

But, I certainly want to support Alan in reminding you all that this is an evolution, and, might I suggest, like some people’s views, not a revolution, because it is unproductive to try and do that, in my very biased view. But, in the evolution of these ATLASes, we need to – and I

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believe are – building on the foundation of not only what has gone before but also of where we are as an ICANN community and where At-Large is part of an ICANN community. The ICANN community we have now, with the Empowered Community, in the post-IANA-transition world we live in is vastly different – beyond vastly different. It is a different universe to where we were back in ATLAS I and, indeed, to a great extent, to where we even thought we might be at ATLAS II.

So, make sure your work this time around is fit for purpose and is not dragging you back down into habits, [albeit] successful habits of successful outcomes of before, but building on those efforts and looking to the next steps in a brave new world.

Also, remember we've got excellent outcomes from other recommendations of previous reviews. You have a lot of very important implementation to make happen as a result of the recently completed second review of the At-Large community and the ALAC. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Cheryl. I saw there was Siva, but he put his hand down. Did Siva drop off?

No, Siva's hand is up. Sivasubramanian Muthusamy.

I'll have to close the queue after Siva because we need to move on after that. So, Siva, you have the floor.

SIVA MUTHUSAMY: Thank you, Oliver. Can you hear me? Hello?

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, we can. Go ahead. You're a little faint, but we can hear you.

SIVA MUTHUSAMY: Okay. I was there in both in ATLAS I and ATLAS II summits, and those two summits went very well. [In doing the subtle] thinking of building on the [phone] base and on At-Large's evolutionary path, can we try and do something remarkably different this time in terms of format or on the range of issues that we discussed at the summit to make it more productive? Perhaps, could we try a kind of parliamentary process? In ICANN parlance, we call it a town hall. Can we have a town hall format and focus more on a town hall format and discuss quite a range of issues, not with too much parliamentary rules, but a range of issues and a structured format for us to make it more productive? Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you for this intervention, Siva. Since you're speaking of ATLAS III, maybe it's time to move, actually, to the purpose of ATLAS III. Over to Maureen Hilyard.

Agenda Item 3. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Olivier, and thank you, everyone, for that introduction. I think it's important that people did get a good idea of where it is we've come from because one of the important things, as you've mentioned, Shiva, is that we are – and Alan has mentioned it as well – moving into

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another phase, another age, where, this time – whereas ATLAS I was looking at raising awareness amongst the community about this new At-Large community. ATLAS II focused a lot on what the community was doing in the area of policy, and they spent a lot of time on, as Olivier mentioned, making some recommendations that could help to improve the way they were doing it.

ATLAS III is going to be different because we're actually looking this time at individuals – the individuals who are actually already part-and-parcel of the system – and how we can actually build the potential and the capacity that we actually have within At-Large to create, as we have said in the objective for ATLAS III – it's going to be an assembly of future leaders of At-Large, and we're going to be focusing on developing and nurturing their abilities to become thought leaders and change agents, especially in light of the fact that we just had our At-Large Review process. We've got to build on the good things that we've actually already done. But, [you as] the people – this is where the focus is going to be.

So, I think it's really important that, when we're actually looking at how we do it – and, as you will see – I'm not going to spend too much time on it because I think what I'd like you all to do is make sure that you check out the homepage that we've actually created for ATLAS III. I know it's taken a word of "Get it together." I have to apologize for that.

But, for example, if you go into the ATLAS III overview chart, which is just a chart that I created to explain perhaps why it is that it's taken us so long to get started – but, you know, it's January. It's a new year, a new start for us.

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But, we have been working on this since August, and that was when the whole trigger was the ICANN Planning Committee within Montreal in August looking at – and contacted Gisella and the staff and said, “What kind of space do you need? What do you need for ATLAS? Is that happening? Is the summit happening? What kind of room do you need?”

We were in a bit of a panic because we hadn’t had the okay at that particular point in time for any funding. We didn’t know if had the support of anyone to actually be able to run this event.

So, fortunately, I was actually able to tag along with Alan to a meeting with the CEO, Goran Marby. Alan raised the ATLAS III issue with Goran and sought his support, [put it] to the Board, so that they can request for – were they going to support us?

We were really, really surprised after that because – I think the Board was going into a retreat – probably within a week, we actually had word that they were actually going to fund us, but with some constraints. The funding was going to be limited but also the numbers. The funding was limited because it was actually catering for a specific number of travelers, whereas, I think, ATLAS I had 120-something. Anyone that was in an ALS, was a representative, was invited. Nowadays, we’ve got over 200, so there’s no way that ICANN was going to be able to fund it.

So, with these 60 travelers, we decided that we had to focus our attention differently. The group that had been cobbled together to make those decisions and make those approaches to the Board, which included, if you’re looking at that particular overview sheet, myself and

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Alan, who was the Chair at the time, Olivier and Eduardo, of course, who had been instrumental in organizing the last ATLAS, as well as Cheryl and others who had been there in ATLAS I, and, of course, staff. So, people have said, “Why is the organizing committee the way that it is?” To get things started, we needed to have people who had to make quick decisions, and we were directly with ICANN org and the staff.

So, now, of course, we’ve opened it up. When we sent out the message to say, “Can we have volunteers? We’ll select two groups of people,” and when we got the list of applicants, we couldn’t even make a decision about, “Well, who do we drop?” and that stuff. So, we’ve, again, made it that everybody who wanted to be in a particular group could be in that group, and we’ll work on developing subgroups within the subgroup as we move on.

So, this is part of a development. With everything that people have said before about wanting to do things differently, we are going to be doing it differently.

We’ll move now into what’s actually happening in each of the different groups. They’re working on two completely different approaches to how we make this a successful summit meeting but also a successful outcome in that we’re going to be looking at – and, it’s not all just happening in Montreal, as you’re going to find out. The process basically starts now.

So, yeah. So, we’ll explain that in a few minutes. Yes, we’ve got Cheryl with her hand up.

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CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you very much, Maureen. Very briefly, as an intervention, I just want to remind those who weren't veterans of the original ATLAS – by that, I mean the ALS rep who – and we didn't have reps from every At-Large Structure, but we did indeed allow, as you said, one from each to be able to come, but that just didn't happen [because] a lot of logistics; so, ignoring those who were serving in the ALAC and RALO leaders because they weren't necessarily focused on – they attended the summit – in the lead-up to ...

There was a huge amount of required work for people to do in the twelve months before the summit, and if you didn't do the work, you didn't get the support to go. So, being quite hard and quite clear on benchmarks of what the support of travelers you'll be taking to this upcoming summit is not a new thing. In fact, it should be a standard operational procedure. But, prior planning is essential, and prior work is important. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Cheryl. What Cheryl says is an important component of the development of the selection process. So, you'll hear more about that as we move on. But, as I said, the process starts now. The contributions that people make are all, whether it's in the working group or – there's a whole lot of stuff that's going to be happening.

So, what I would like to move onto now is if we can have Eduardo, who's got a timeline, give you some indication of what's going to be happening.

I'll move it to Eduardo.



EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Maureen. The timeline that all of you are going to see is a timeline that was updated. We have – okay, thank you. It was updated last year in December, and it will be updated after the end of this call.

Basically, there are two hard-set dates that you should be aware of in this timeline. May 1<sup>st</sup> of this year we expect to have everyone that is going to apply for ATLAS III. That's when the application period will end. It will take close to a month or two or three weeks to evaluate all the applications and select the 60 people that will go to the ATLAS III. So, by mid-June, we'll have the selection list ready.

And, an important date is: we have to have these selection list ready by July 5<sup>th</sup> of this year so the ICANN – how do you call it? – Travel department can make all the arrangements and all the logistics to make sure they can get to Montreal.

Now, the application period for people to apply for ATLAS III – that date was set for December 14<sup>th</sup>, but this is going to shift. This is a date that most probably will be at the end of January. By that time, I believe there should be a list of the criteria that people have to be able to demonstrate that they have if they're going to apply for ATLAS III because, by May, all these criterias will be there, will be already on that list.

So, basically, this is what I have, just letting you know that this ATLAS III is set to start November 2<sup>nd</sup> of this year. Thank you. If you have any questions, please do so.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Eduardo. Yes, a question? Alfredo?

ALFREDO CALDERON: Yes. Can you hear me clearly?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Yes? Okay. My question is regarding the application. A couple of things. First of all, for Montreal, nobody will have visa problems to travel to Canada? That's one.

The second one is, how are the supporting documents for the application going to be submitted? Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Alfredo. Good questions. The application process is something that we haven't fully designed yet because the application process will need to include the criteria that we will be using for selection so that people know what we will be expecting of our applicants.

Because we're only just starting the actual working groups now, that is something that we're thinking will probably take a little while to actually decide on what those criteria are.

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So, yeah, we can't be more specific at the moment about the actual application process itself. But, it will be before – well, it may probably be just after Kobe because we'll probably have our final check-through on that when we have that face-to-face meeting. But, that's in March. It gives people a couple of months to [inaudible] it.

But, at the same time, as Olivier will explain soon, there are going to be expectations. If you really are keen, you're going to have to start being involved, starting from whatever it is that Olivier is going to tell you about.

Sorry I can't be more specific, but at this particular point in time, we don't have a specific application form ready or anything like that. Okay?

Okay. Thank you. Are there any other questions? Because I would like to move now into just giving a little explanation about those two working groups and how they're going to be different. We'll start off with Olivier and Eduardo.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Maureen. I know that Eduardo has forwarded a little page over to Yesim. I'm not sure whether she's received it and is able to display it with time – there were are. So, shall I just hand the floor over to Eduardo to take us through this? Because he was one of the key—

EDUARDO DIAZ: That's not the—

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: That's not the page, no. This is not the page.

YESIM NAZLAR: Olivier, if I may, I've just received the page that Eduardo has shared with me. I'll be uploading it very shortly.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you for this, Yesim. Effectively, Eduardo and I are leading the ATLAS III program subgroup. Because it's a large group of people, the first thing that we've thought is we don't want to end up with five people doing all the work and 20 people not really knowing what's happening and able to contribute.

Therefore, because there are so many tasks that this program working group has to be involved with, from plenary conferences – so, designing the plenaries – designing the workshops, designing the networking events, and even designing, I guess – trying to give some indication to participants as to what can they participate in when they will not be in the ATLAS III room. And, also all the follow-up afterwards.

So, we felt there were three groups that needed to be designed here. Just as an introduction, actually, what we're looking at is not just a plenary and a couple of workshops. We are looking at the whole week. We're looking at a weekend where the ALAC will do its work and then, from Monday onwards, the whole week, we will have ATLAS III events that will take place every day, morning and afternoon, and sprinkled here and there with some other programs and other sessions.

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But, we will need to design some kind of a roadmap, if you want, as to say, “Well, what happens in this workshop? What happens in this workshop? Where does it feed into?” etc., etc. So, that’s the main thing.

But, I see the page is now up, so I’ll hand the floor over to Eduardo to take us through this then. Eduardo Diaz?

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Olivier. Please fill in if I miss or forget anything. Basically, this group’s scope is the plenary conferences, the breakouts, which we call workshops, any outside networking event, like dinner or a networking event – here I’m not talking about specifics – and any ICANN meeting that is happening during the week that this program group can consider will be of benefit to the ATLAS III participants to participate. I don’t know. Maybe, thinking out loud, going to a public forum will be a good time for people to understand what the process is and understand what some of the issues there are. So, that’s what we meant with ICANN meetings, other than ATLAS III’s.

So, in brainstorming with Olivier, we decided that it would be a very [positive] and effective idea to divide the volunteers in the program group into three groups, which we call Group A, B, and C.

Basically, Group A will focus on determining and recommending the capacity-building courses or webinars or what have you that people will have to take, previous to going to ATLAS III. So, the idea is that you have some knowledge before you go to ATLAS III, so one of the criterias will be that you pass all these courses and you take them. So, that group will focus on understanding what courses support the ATLAS III objectives. I

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have to work very close with the leadership program group to understand the criterias there so we can support those.

Group B, which is the main core, is a group that will define and develop what is going to be the plenaries, the breakout rooms, the breakout sessions, what kind of reporting is needed, workshops, how they're going to be crafted, taking into account the [geographics of the applicants] and their diversity and probably language, and build a list of the non-ATLAS III meetings – that means the ICANN meetings – and the [rationales] for people doing there and the [defining] structure events other than outside, which are called breakfast, lunches, network events, team-building events. This is not only in ATLAS III but if there are webinars or other things that happen that need to be taken before ATLAS III, then they will develop that.

Then, we have a set of expected outcomes, which you can go and look down here, where they were talking about [daily] reports, outcomes that are going to be followed up after ATLAS III, as to who is going to own it, timelines, and so forth. There's going to be a set of videos, interviews, before and after ATLAS III and so forth, which you can read there. That's Group C. Group C will be working in developing how these outcomes are going to be captured, effective ways of presenting this information, and, if there are consensus processes that will be used [in] this meeting, what are those, timelines for deliberation, and so forth.

So, this is basically the idea of how we want to move forward with this program.

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So, Alfredo, you have the floor. Olivier, if you want to add in, please do so. Thank you. Alfredo?

ALFREDO CALDERON: Can you hear me?

[EDUARDO DIAZ]: Yes.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Okay. So, Olivier and Eduardo, I have a couple of questions. For example, the first one: for Group A, since you are saying that there's going to be capacity-building leading to ATLAS III, my guess is that that will only take place before the application process ends. So, the applicants must meet all the requirements that Group A works on. That's my first question.

My second question is, considering that you mentioned a Group B, what is the total amount of contact hours that are involved between the plenaries, workshops, and breakout sessions, and the allocated spaces that we have for those activities? Thank you?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Olivier, do you want to take that? Or do you want me to take that?

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. Indeed, Alfredo, you're absolutely correct. There needs to be a core number of courses ready in a curriculum before or during the application process being open so that people can take those courses and then they can be judged based on the courses they've taken by the other subgroup, and some kind of evaluation can be done.

That being said, though, we have spoken to the people in ICANN Learn. There are a number of courses that are already there – what is At-Large? What is the GSNO? What is the ccNSO? etc., etc. – but, there are some At-Large specific courses which have not been designed yet.

So, when we think about having to design online courses, of our group needing to design online courses, if we are designing courses that need to be part of the selection process for candidates, for people to come to ATLAS III, these need to be designed yesterday. It needs to go now. It needs to start very quickly, and this is why we're having our – I think we'll have our first call week. We're getting the ball rolling quickly.

If, on the other hand, it's not a critical course as such, then what we would be able to do would be to offer these courses after the selection process has taken place, perhaps for those people that were selected to take those courses, and even anyone who is interested to be able to take those courses. So, we do have a little more time to design those courses and to implement them because designing is one thing. As we all know, implementing it is another afterwards.

So, that would be to your first question. The second question – I've been so taken in to the first one. What was the second one again? Oh, yes. The block schedule.



The block schedule ... let me do a link to the block schedule. I think it is this one. In theory, you should be able to download the block schedule that has been shared with us so far. That was the one that the ICANN Meetings department has sent us. It's still subject to change.

But, what we can find in there is all of the gray boxes – gray or green or whatever; grayish-green boxes – are the ones that we're going to make use of, and all the orange ones as well. So, you can see we've got on the Monday two plenaries, then breakouts for – so, two 90-minute plenaries and then 90-minute breakouts. Then, on Tuesday, we've got a breakout in the morning, a breakout after the morning break, and then something in the afternoon as well – one breakout in the afternoon – and then a plenary at the end of the day. So, Tuesday is going to be very long. Then, the breakouts on Day 5.

I have put the link the chat. I hope that you – there you go. Yeah. So, we've got that. So, you can see there are a lot of slots here. I haven't counted how many hours, Alfredo, but you can count how many hours. There's a lot of time to populate and to make use of effectively.

By the way, a breakout could be anything. We're talking about having, I think, four groups breaking out, or four or five groups simultaneously being able to speak in smaller rooms. Some of them will [have] interpreters. Some of them will not.

When we speak about plenaries, it can be anything. It could be a general plenary with everyone speaking, or it could be some kind of a capacity-building or team-building thing. That's for us to decide on.

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The color-coding is not really important. Heidi mentioned here, “Repeat the color-coding, now that the draft is up.” The greenish-gray boxes are the plenaries that we’ve got. Then, the orange ones are the breakouts that we have. So, one, two, three, four, five breakouts, and one, two, three, four, five plenaries. Plus, an ATLAS III lunch, which is on the Tuesday. So, yeah, that’s a lot of time.

Alfredo, did that answer your question?

ALFREDO CALDERON: Olivier, yes it does, but I have a follow-up question.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Please, go ahead.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Is the – hello? Are the breakouts and the plenaries subject to change so we can change the order? Or, is that fixed already? Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: That’s a good question, Alfredo. Thank you. It’s Olivier speaking. Unfortunately, they cannot be changed because they’re based on the room availability and allocation. In fact, we might have wanted to have those in a slightly different order. The problem is, of course, that we are part of an ecosystem that includes the GAC, the GSNO, ccNSO – everyone else, basically – and the resources in the conference center are finite, which means that we can only be using a large room when

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there is a large room that is available or someone else is not using a large room. And, we can only be using five smaller breakout rooms when those five smaller breakout rooms are not available as well.

So, it's quite complex and, unfortunately, I don't think we can change them at this point in time. If staff believes otherwise, please feel free to contradict me.

I think we need to move on as well. So, thanks for the questions, Alfredo—

GISELLA GRUBER: Olivier? Sorry. It's Gisella.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes?

GISELLA GRUBER: Sorry. It's Gisella, Olivier. I couldn't put up my hand up fast enough. I just wanted to make a quick comment on what Alfredo asked.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, please, Gisella. You have the floor.

GISELLA GRUBER: Thank you. Just to say that this is what we've been working towards. However, if we see that something does need to be changed and it would be beneficial to the whole functioning of the ATLAS III, we could

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check with Meetings Team. But, as Olivier said, this is what we've been working towards. If there's anything that comes out of discussions, I'm happy to take it to Meetings Team. Also, we will finalize these rooms with Meetings Team. Probably I'll have a meeting with them in Kobe, face to face, just to run through this again, so that we can then say that this is the final schedule.

But, if there are any thoughts that come up, if you could just kindly let me know, and Olivier.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you for this, Gisella. I'm aware of the time. We're rather late, thanks to my rambling on. So, I'll hand the floor over now to Maureen Hilyard and Alan Greenberg for the next part. Alfredo, we can follow up next week on the call for this working group, or, of course, feel free to e-mail me immediately afterwards, or we can chat on Skype. I'm happy to answer any further questions.

Eduardo, I didn't know if you had anything else to cover ...

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Olivier. I think I'd like to use the last five minutes of our meeting to let people know what we've been doing in our leaders development group. I think that our group has actually started working already. I sent out a survey to actually ascertain – the purpose of group, of course, is to support the work that is being done within the program committee. It was good to be able to get that overview to know what it is that they're going to be doing and what the people that we choose or

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select – or, the criteria; sorry – that we’re actually developing will actually reflect the sorts of needs of the programming committee.

But, the reason I’ve put the overview page on it is it does have the goals and objectives of our group. So, that’s where I would like you to focus on for later.

But, as the overview chart shows, the objectives for this particular group are going to be specific to the individuals who are going to be selected, and this group will be the support group for them in some way as we lead up to ATLAS III. So, our role will be, in essence, to decide on the criteria, to support the selection of the 60 invitees, and to support them in the lead-up to ATLAS.

Now, as Eduardo and Olivier have actually pointed out, the process starts now. I think Cheryl and others in the chat have said, if you are thinking seriously about making an application, you should be going to ICANN Learn and having a look at what programs are available that would help you build your knowledge and your background in what’s happening in ICANN.

But, Olivier and Eduardo will be providing, basically, the compulsory, the mandatory, courses, and that will come very shortly because some of those courses that they’re looking at are still being redeveloped. So, there’s quite a lot to be done still involving other sections of the ICANN community.

From this, we’re not expecting that, straight up to ATLAS, we’re going to be inundated with 60 people who are going to be clambering for leadership roles within ICANN. I think that what we do want them to

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leave with is a better idea of what is required for leadership within At-Large and to reflect on their own personal and perhaps more specific skills that they will need to develop in order to successfully apply for a leadership role within At-Large and perhaps within other sections of the community. But, we're focusing on [inaudible], of course.

But, I'm very keen for my group – I've had a good response back from our group. When we have our first meeting, which will probably be next week, we'll be able to go over the feedback that I'm getting from – things like the attributes of a good leader within At-Large.

So, this is work happening already. The whole thing about the working groups is that we do want you to be working. It is really important that everybody actually has an active role within the working groups. This is all part-and-parcel of the development of our criteria and working towards making that final selection.

I can't say too much more at the moment because we're nearly at the top of the hour. But, just to let you know, as soon as we can get – we'll probably send a Doodle out so we can ascertain when we can have our next meeting. That's separate groups.

I think that, occasionally, it'd be good to get some feedback. I know there will be feedback in Kobe. That's not too far away anyway. But, we will keep each other in touch with how we're going and progressing so that everybody knows that people within the leaders development team can keep up with what they need to do if they want to be applicants in this whole process.

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So, we're at the top of the hour. I know that the interpreters have to go. I'd like to thank everyone who's actually come along. We've had a really good attendance today. I really do appreciate it. Thank you very much for your questions. It's made us think a little more carefully about we need to be working on.

Yeah, so we'll see you at the subgroup meetings, and we'll work on it from there. Thank you very much, and [bye].

YESIM NAZLAR:

Thank you, all. This meeting is now ended. Have a lovely rest of the day. Bye-bye.

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