

### **Attendance - 21 Members**

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Daniel Dardailler  
Elliot Noss  
Erika Mann  
John Levine  
Jonathan Frost  
Judith Hellerstein  
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Marilyn Cade  
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Rudi Daniel  
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### **AC Chat:**

Julie Bisland:Welcome to the CCWG New gTLD Auction Proceeds call on Wednesday, 13 February 2019 at 14:00 UTC

Julie Bisland:Agenda wiki: <https://community.icann.org/x/OZgWBg>

Erika Mann:Hi Julie - I'm on, we can check whether the Adobe connection is working or whether we the dial out

Daniel Dardailler:yes

Daniel Dardailler:can't hear Erika if she's speaking

Joke Braeken:hello everyone. Hi Erika, I could not hear you.

Daniel Dardailler:Erika is fine now

Daniel Dardailler:but not Julie

Erika Mann:thank you Daniel1

Joke Braeken:hi Erika, now we can hear you ok

Daniel Dardailler:Julie appears muted

Julie Bisland:ok, calling into the bridge now, for better audio

Daniel Dardailler:yes

Julf Helsingius:Getting onto AC was pretty slow today

Erika Mann:Julie - can we do another test?

Julf Helsingius:Someone has a loud keyboard :)

Becky Burr:big echo

Julf Helsingius:Yes, bad echo

Daniel Dardailler:It looks like it's either Erika or Julie, but not both

Julf Helsingius:Good now!

Daniel Dardailler:a bit static in the boice

Daniel Dardailler:voice

Daniel Dardailler:Erika's voice that is

Julie Bisland:It'll be very important when Erika is speaking that all other mics/phones are muted, as it creates a feedback on her line.

Erika Mann:... I'm up in the mountains ... who knows what this does to my voice ...

Vanda Scartezini:hi everyone...

Rudi Daniel:G00d day all

Robert guerra2:good day all

Daniel Dardailler:very loud voice Vanda

Joke Braeken:I cannot hear Vanda

Judith Hellerstein:We have trouble hearing vanda

Julie Bisland:Vanda: your sound is too high

Julf Helsingius:Vanda: your mic is a bit loud, it distorts

Judith Hellerstein:or she is too close to her mike

Daniel Dardailler:voice saturated

Vanda Scartezini:I just said it was great review and I did my comments for each recomendation so I beleive it is not for me to go through this it was sent to everyone and anyone can see. lets go on to try to finalize our task..

Robert guerra2:my audio is not great, so will type- there were also comments regarding the scope/focus of the funding, in that it should be focused on ICANN's core mission - including, it not limited to security, stability, interoperability of the unique identifier system

Joke Braeken:will verify this Erika and Marilyn

Rudi Daniel:Agree with Marilyn about COI

Robert guerra2:and emerging security issues - some comments on the challenges of having a fund, and making sure it was alighted with ICANN's mission

Marilyn Cade:But it is important to then note that it is additive and does not replace earlier discussions.

Marilyn Cade:Robert, have you been able to review the examples? I think that the recognition of SSR/etc. are covered, but are not the only examples.

Marilyn Cade:I do not underestand Elliott's comment.

Marilyn Cade:I thought we have discussed having an advisory "group" or process drawn from the community at least at a high level.

Robert guerra2:I do - Elliott is saying that there was a move away with what seemed to be a consensus on an earlier call. a change in understanding on how community involved. that comes up a lot in transcripts and comments

Vanda Scartezini:Yes Marilyn , it was done in my opinion

Robert guerra2:Marilyn - yes, have seen the examples. but there are still several public comments on the issue

Marilyn Cade:Can perhaps you lower your voice, Elliott, You seem to be shouting.

Vanda Scartezini:@robert don't you beleive this would be stressed in the implementation phase?

Robert guerra2:concur with Elliott's concern

Daniel Dardailler:a side question: I remember reading a comment about the benefits of C in keeping an external "ICANN foundation" alive after the auction funds are gone; can someone tell me which one it was, I can't find it anymore

Robert guerra2:high level principles need to be set early

Judith Hellerstein:Mechanism A had icann staffing it. To me that was clear

Maureen Hilyard:I support the concern that Jonathan mentions for that second statement  
Robert guerra2:two years in - imho. comments and proposed amendments fine, completely new ideas - are problematic. we should define what new ideas in scope or not.

Judith Hellerstein:Yes I also agree with Jonathan as well

Daniel Dardailler:rather than trying to theorize on what was meant, maybe we should review all the New ideas and reclassify them as potential improvements vs. structural changes

Vanda Scartezini:for me yes Erika

Judith Hellerstein:@daniel yes exactly . My and Maureen's contribution was meant as an improvement on option b and not a structureal change

Robert guerra2 2:if we can't come to consensus, we definitely should include feedback on positives/negatives of each option. personally, I am in minded against options that institutionalize and grow icann staff. lightweight funding processes, similiar to what CIRA AND nominet have are worth reviewing in more detail

Julf Helsingius:I agree with Robert

Daniel Dardailler:unfortunately, "lightweight" is not an adjective that applies to disbursing 230M\$

Robert guerra2 2:Elliot in queue

Vanda Scartezini:AGREE with ELIOT

Daniel Dardailler:some non negligieable staff time will have to be spent somewhere, and ICANN.org wants to be in control of where the funding goes down to the last cent, so it comes down to growing the ICANN staff

Robert guerra2 2:other foundations can and do disburse large one time funds

Robert guerra2 2:+1 with eliott

Daniel Dardailler:I favor A or B which is a variant of A

Daniel Dardailler:my logic is explained above

Robert guerra2 2:in the comments, some were supportive - some in ALAC indeed were supporting of A.

Maureen Hilyard:ALAC was divided on this particular issue - A&B

Maureen Hilyard:Sorry I am only on the chat

Robert guerra2 2:but ALAC is a diverse group. creating a new department, imho, is not consistent with a limited, lightweight one time funding process

JOHN LEVINE:sorry to be late

Maureen Hilyard:Those who were against A supported Elliot in that the feeling was that ICANN Org should not be involved in the decisions that this group has spent so much time on ensuring that they were the responsibility of the community

Robert guerra2 2:involving the community is separate on the option (abcd)

Daniel Dardailler:To me, the process of evaluating proposals if fully orthogonal to the mechanism question

Robert guerra2 2:outsourcing to an entity that has more experience, in the considerable, administrative issues involved in not only reviewing (in a professional, peer review , independent process) and grant oversight is key

Daniel Dardailler:and the evaluation of proposals needs to be done by the same folks that will have to defend the "consistent with the mission" metric to the board and the auditor, that is, some icann community/staff

Robert guerra2 2:let's not underestimate the challenges in review, grant admin and government/accounting policies that need to be followed

Robert guerra2 2:forward

Robert guerra2 2:cost/Benefit and time analysis impt too.

elliott noss:I would like a cost:benefit analysis of cost:benefit analyses! :-)

Robert guerra2 2:if we analyze everything, well honestly never make a decision

Vanda Scartezini:could be a solution to not delay

Marilyn Cade: I think that would work, Erika.

elliott noss:correct

Maureen Hilyard: I think that the issues that Marilyn raised are important as well

Vanda Scartezini:I hve suggested in my comments to leave this for the implementation phase , but you suggestin is ok

Daniel Dardailler:Elliot, here's a msg I sent a while ago in favor of A:

<https://mm.icann.org/pipermail/ccwg-auctionproceeds/2018-March/000843.html>

Rudi Daniel:would cost benefit analysis be helpful in narrowing the choices on the table from 3 to 2 mechanisms taking into account community input

Robert guerra2 2:I prefer a professional, expert and independent review of proposals vs community could be biased, not be expert in review and not follow best practices. community can input, but actually reviewing applications can be problematic

elliott noss:@daniel thank you. I will review. that was during my convalescence from hip replacement and it makes sense that this issue was dealt with deeply during that 60-90 day period

Daniel Dardailler:I don't remember the requirement "not to grow ICANN staff" at that time

Robert guerra2 2:it raises the issues that come up at the nomcom - using the community to review and select requires training and clear conflict of interest processes

Julf Helsingius:Robert: exactly

Daniel Dardailler:and honestly, I would understand this requirement if ICANN was in France, where hiring staff is a long term liability, but that's not the case..

Marilyn Cade:Just to respond to Robert. The CSG also sports an independent "operator" but also acknowledges that an advisory role can be helpful. I refer you to PIR as one example tht has an advisory group.

Marilyn Cade:Daniel -- it depends on where the staff is housed, If they are in /europe, they are subject to /european employment laws.

Robert guerra2 2:it implies agreement with A - which many have issues with and/or strongly against

Daniel Dardailler:Marilyn: I know a few EU ICANN staff which are all on a "yearly" renewable contract, "at will" or whatever it's name is, not any long term work contract

Julf Helsingius:Sorry, my AC locked up, had to restart

Robert guerra2 2:if A. it viable, then recommendation we discussing is mute

elliott noss:with apologies I need to drop off. so sorry. bye all

Maureen Hilyard:Happy to have points clarified

Vanda Scartezini:guess we all agree

Vanda Scartezini:since there will be ICANN to contract the external organization why not ask the external organization to use same Col from ICANN?

Marilyn Cade:Vanda, the COI for ICANN is not suitable for this purpose, in my view.

Marilyn Cade:The BC comments proposed an independent process but accepted an advisory role, but not the community to review or approve, but to advise at a high level related to the mission; help to provide insights on the kinds of grants -- but not the actual grants.

Vanda Scartezini:I am against to use examples - it reduce innovation at all - so I beleive we shall may be make it more clear

Maureen Hilyard:One of the important issues we discussed earlier relating to the selection process was to include members of this group as to what would be appropriate according to what we had discussed would be appropriate as a project - not someone completely outside of this group who was not familiar with what we proposed

Vanda Scartezini:I am aligned with you Maureen

Judith Hellerstein:Me as well

JOHN LEVINE:Agree with Marilyn, would need a very complex process for little likely benefit  
Vanda Scartezini:totally agree this issues are for the implementation phase task  
Daniel Dardailler:Erika: agreed, it's for the next group  
Vanda Scartezini:above my agreement  
Daniel Dardailler:the "mechanism implementation group" or whatever we should call it, but we should have a name, since its charter is growing  
Judith Hellerstein:I also agree to have an independent panel reviewing the grants  
Rudi Daniel:re Joke: Reviewing process needs definition yes  
Maureen Hilyard:+1 Rudi  
Daniel Dardailler:I have to run now, see you on the next call and in Japan for those around  
Maureen Hilyard:Agree that #7 can be merged with other items  
Julie Bisland:Next Auction Proceeds call: Wednesday, 27 February 2019 at 14:00 UTC for 90 minutes.  
Judith Hellerstein:Sorry to miss all of you in Kobe but will try to be there virtually  
Vanda Scartezini:OK  
Rudi Daniel:OK  
Jonathan Frost:Thanks Erika and everyone!  
Judith Hellerstein:bye all  
Rudi Daniel:thx all  
Maarten Botterman:thx  
Vanda Scartezini:nice day/night to everyone