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ANDREA GLANDON: Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the EURALO monthly teleconference, held on Tuesday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of February, 2019, at 19:00 UTC.

On today's call, we have Christopher Wilkinson, Bastiaan Goslings, [Dasar Al Doshi], Erich Schweighofer, Joanna Kulesza, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Roberto Gaetano, Sebastien Bachollet, Wale Bakare, and Yrjo Lansipuro.

We have apologies noted from Maureen Hilyard, Oksana Prykhodko, and Matthias Hudobnik.

From staff, we have Silvia Vivanco, and myself, Andrea Glandon, on call management.

I would like to remind everyone to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes and to please keep your phones and microphones on mute when not speaking to avoid any background noise.

Thank you, and over to you, Olivier.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. Welcome, everyone, to this EURALO monthly call. Apologies for my delayed arrival. We'll try and go swiftly through the agenda today, although we do have a lot of different points.

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A couple of things. One thing is I didn't hear that Annette Muhlberg was one the call. I saw that there was a note from her for her to receive a dial-out. Would that work?

ANDREA GLANDON: We're still trying to get the number. She only gave us a few numbers off of the phone numbers, so we're just trying to get the rest of it to get her connected.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: She gave you three numbers. In Germany, there's only about 25-30 million mobile phones, so I'm sure you can work this one out with three numbers.

ANDREA GLANDON Yes, of course.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: All right. Three digits. Thanks very much, everyone. So first thing we have to do is adopt the agenda. We have to look at what we're going to discuss today. After the policy discussions, we'll have a look at EURALO hot topics, the draft bylaws, the ATRT3 team composition, the involvement in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, and the quick update on ATLAS 3.

I'd like to ask right now if there is Any Other Business or if there any amends to the agenda.

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I see Christopher Wilkinson. You have your hand up, and you have the floor.

Christopher Wilkinson does not have his hand up now. Okay.

Any other amendments or additions to this agenda?

I'm not seeing any, so the agenda is adopted as it currently is on your screen. If I could ask stay to please unsync the EURALO agenda so people can scroll through it. Great, yeah. Super. Thank you. Everyone can scroll through that.

The first point in our agenda is our action items from the last call. We had quite a number of them. There are still two that remain. One of them is for Jean-Jacques Subrenat to draft a paper for Kobe. So still some time until then, speaking about the challenges ahead for Internet governance.

Also, there's one is for Sebastien Bachollet to report on the ATRT3 leadership composition and further development at the next EURALO monthly call. That can probably be ticked as happening since this is happening on this call.

With regards to Jean-Jacques point – well, actually, we will be discussing this a little bit later because there was one point with regards to Macron's speech, also, on Internet governance. But I think that's later in our call, so nothing to discuss here.

Any comments on the action items?

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No comments. Then we can swiftly go to the next part of our agenda, and that's the policy work. The policy work is – well, quite a few recently ratified statements from the ALAC. The Consolidated Policy Working Group has been working pretty hard with a number of penholders on a weekly call that takes place. In fact, last week we had two weekly calls due to the amount of workload on specific things that have come up.

The first one of the [recent] ratification was the ICANN strategic plan for financial years 2021 to 2025, the future. The ALAC stressed the importance of ICANN's role in the multi-stakeholder model of Internet governance and a number of other points. They're all listed on the agenda, if you're interested. For the sake of time, I'm not going to read through the whole text, but it was, again, pretty much pushing for the At-Large values that we've been sharing for so many years.

The second comment – I'm not quite sure there was second comment and first comment here, but – oh, yes. There were several comments on that. Right. There was also one on the draft fiscal year '20 operating plan and budget and five-year plan operating plan update. Finally, there was also another comment, the first comment on that. So we had two different types of comments with an initial comment and then an additional comment on these.

These are generally, for your information, drafted by a small team called the Finance and Budget Sub Committee. We have our representatives on the Finance and Budget Sub Committee that are able to help with drafting those and that follow closely the happenings. If you're interested in finance and budget and so on, you can certainly attend

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the Finance and Budget Sub Committee meetings and calls and make yourself knowledgeable ICANN's behind-the-scenes financing of things.

Now, Work Track 5 on geographic names at the top level was a very, very important discussion, which is still ongoing, as you know. So the ALAC noted that there had yet to be a discussion as to whether any new gTLDs were needed. Then it reiterated the points that we had been making for several years, and quite vocally as well.

Now, the three public consultations currently taking place. Current ALAC statements. There's one about the updated operating standards for specific reviews with a deadline of the 20<sup>th</sup> of February, 2019. That's tomorrow. Greg Shatan and Jonathan Zuck are working on this. I haven't looked at it today, actually, but I think there is a text there, so it's open for comment.

Then there's one about the consultation on a two-year planning process. That's something which has been around for so long, where the At-Large community has asked for ICANN to look at actual planning of financial resources on a two-year basis, or a several-year basis, rather than doing it financial year by financial year. Judith Hellerstein has been working on this, and I believe this is up for comment right now.

Finally, the initial report on CSC effectiveness. CSC is the Customer Standing Committee. The Customer Standing Committee is all part of the IANA and the PTI. So IANA is the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority, and the PTI is the Post-Transition Identifiers. That was to do with the part of the organization that adds and deletes inputs into the

root top-level domain name that's going to be added [in] survival function.

The Customer Standing Committee is a committee that looks at the effectiveness and the performance of the entity that is performing these operations. So that's part of the committees that were put together to replace the work of the National Telecommunication Infrastructure Administration, the U.S. government back in the day. So Greg Shatan is currently drafting something on that.

I'm surprised not to find the recent statements. Maybe they've been deleted now, but of course there were some important statements made about the expedited policy development process, the EPDP. Feedback was received, and, right now, there was – and it wasn't an official feedback as such – a week where the Consolidated Policy Working Group was asked to help out with feedback to be provided on an informal basis or semi-formal basis to the Expedited Policy Development Process Working Group on the draft final report of that expedited policy development process.

That's, of course, to do with the temporary specification for the generic top-level domain registration data. This a temporary specification, but it was renewed every three months ever since it was put in place by the Board in May 2018. It has to be replaced by a permanent policy by this May as well. So it's quite likely that this will be a big discussion taking place at the ICANN meeting in Kobe. We're down to the crunch time. This expedited policy development process has been looking at what items of data should be redacted from the WHOIS database, and not only redacted as in not displayed but even not even stored in the

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WHOIS databases for all of these WHOIS databases to be GDPR compliant.

There are two very different views on this, with some that are basically saying, “Redact as much as possible,” and others that are saying, “Oh, you can’t redact everything. You can’t just turn WHOIS to be completely anonymous.”

So it’s the final showdown at the moment. We’ve seen some e-mails going back and forth on the EPDP mailing list where people are threatening each other and they’re threatening to pull out from the very feeble consensus. The GNSO Council is likely to vote on this very soon. Remember, this is a policy development process, so that takes place within the Generic Names Supporting Organization.

Once it’s done, that will go over to the Board, and then the Board is going to have to weigh the different stakeholder points because there will be a public consultation that the Board will then have.

So the reason why I’m speaking to you about this is because it is a particularly important process. It’s one of those key issues which, by the way, has been in total, I guess, discussion, battle – I don’t know what word you would want to use – ever since before ICANN existed. We’re talking about 15 years – 20 years? Who knows? – of work on this. This all has to be fixed very quickly. It’s now coming to a head.

I really hope that, because the GDPR was brought forward by the European region and by the European Commission, we have a good showing from our part of the world on this topic so that this region will

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be very vocal when it comes down to participating in the consultation that the Board will be launching on this.

I think I've rambled enough on that. I open the floor for any questions and comments.

And thanks, Joanna, for mentioning that, indeed, there was interesting development on what used to be WHOIS. That was shared by one of our colleagues in EURALO, [Luques Donnahaka]. He's following this very closely.

Right. I'm not seeing anybody putting their hand up, so that's all regarding policy consultations for the time being. Keep your eyes open for this.

There's also, by the way, another policy consultation that was sent out, and that's, of course, the one about the next round of procedures for new gTLDs. That's still in discussion, so we are likely to see something come across the table soon, again, with all of these topics reaching the final stage with final proposals or final reports.

Right. I think we can then move on [inaudible]. Okay. That's gone really fast. The next thing is updating the EURALO hot topics. The EURALO hot topics is one of these things that originally was supposed to be for 2018 and has now move onto 2019. I'm hoping that we'll be able to release it this year. The other RALOs are now shaming us. They are producing beautiful documents, multi-colored, with lots of beautiful backgrounds and colorful papers and stuff.



Now, I guess we did start, as a region, this hot topic, saying, “Now we are going a little behind,” perhaps because updating a document is sometimes harder than drafting one from scratch. There have been a number of topics that are being taken out.

So what I’ve done with the editing of this document – there was a lot of [patching] and cutting and pasting and so on – is cleaned all of this up, and accepted all of the changes. One big difference is that it was decided that the jurisdiction topic was no longer a big topic for the EURALO region; at least not for the current thing.

But Joanna mentioned in there, though – and that’s a proposal, by the way, to delete it – that she feels strongly about online jurisdiction but doesn’t know if it’s still a hot topic for this financial year, or for this full year. We never work in financial years. We work in full year.

So, if you think this should remain, please let us know now.

So the first hot topic is registrar data retention waiver request WHOIS RDS conflict with national privacy around general data protection regulation. Since I’ve been rambling about the Expedited PDP for the past ten minutes, I gather this is still very, very big for this part of the world, and most probably for everyone in the rest of the world as well.

So the second one was jurisdiction. Third one was human rights, and that’s one which we have managed to expand on quite a lot. I know that there is some movement going on in this topic in ICANN. I’ve watched the mailing list of the Cross-Community Work Party on Human Rights. We’ll soon see some movement on this.

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The third big topic – maybe we need to change the numbering on there. It also mentions [inaudible], privacy and security, freedom of expression, DNS, AI, and fake news, discrimination and accessibility, and then rule of law in the multi-stakeholder community.

Joanna has added some text here. The previous text was also added by various people. If you note some text that you've added there, I would invite you to say a few words about it.

Let's move onto five: universal acceptance, including Internationalized Domain Name projects in Cyrillic, Greek, and Latin scripts. I think that's still on the table.

One topic that was added was the speech by President Macron to follow up on the multi-stakeholder and multi-lateral models, end-user point-of-view affirmation of basic rights and the rule of law, the fact that it's not a bi-polar system, and a point about the rule of law or its absence, something which might be launched ALAC-wide soon – a discussion around these issues. So that's kind of a placeholder, an early placeholder.

I'll open the floor now for comments on this. The outreach and engagement activities in Europe – we've just listed so many of them now, and they're not really, strictly speaking, part of our strategy as such, or part of our hot topics. But they do provide a good listing of the events that are taking place this year, which is really great.

So let's open the floor.

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I can see there's a queue of people waiting. Maybe it's just me. I'm not seeing anyone queue up at the moment.

Joanna Kulesza, yes. You've contributed to a number of points in there. You have the floor.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you very much, Olivier. I just want to emphasize that those are all suggestions, as you are all well-aware of. [inaudible], too. I [inaudible], so to speak. [inaudible]. Those are the kind of connotations that I've had when reading through the document. I happened to recommend the feedback and then reflect [inaudible] in the ICANN environment. [inaudible].

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks, Joanna. Your voice didn't come out too clear, unfortunately. That could be part of the Adobe Connect problem. Could you expand a little bit on the points, the specific points, that you added in that document, please?

JOANNA KULESZA:

Yes, of course. I'm going to give it another go. I hope this is better. I did [inaudible] yesterday, so I'm [inaudible] improve and learn and [move on]. Is this okay? Is this acceptable?

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: It sounds like you're – I don't know. You might be a bit far from the microphone.

JOANNA KULESZA: No, actually [inaudible] mic. I have a headphone. [inaudible]. So not a [mic] [inaudible]. I'll try to adjust the volume.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: It is strange. It might be that it's not the mic from the headset that is currently selected. It might be that it's your general computer that is selected.

JOANNA KULESZA: Now there's just one that's showing in my [inaudible]. Is it acceptable on [inaudible]? If it's not acceptable, I happy to wait for dialogue [inaudible] with the agenda. It's your call/[order]. I'll be happy to [cede].

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks. Yeah, we'll continue through the queue, if there is a queue. If staff could please arrange a dialogue over to you, that would be more helpful because I'm not sure that everyone hears you properly.

So any other topics on this? Originally, we had started with five topics. We're now growing this last. So let me just a simple question here. Jurisdiction. Are we keeping this on the hot topics in EURALO? If you have a strong view that we should be keeping this, please speak now. If

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not , because we had discussed this in the last call, then we will be dropping it, at least for this year.

“Dropping it,” by the way, doesn’t mean that we’re not going to continue discussing it. But it’s just as a list of the really key issues that we’re seeing this year.

Christopher Wilkinson?

CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON:

Hello. Good evening. On this specific point, I think we should keep the jurisdiction question on the agenda because I think, in the – so it will come back as an issue, bearing in mind that our scope extends well beyond Western Europe. There are countries with more or less justifiable reasons who are still very sensitive and disturbed about the potential consequences of the present jurisdiction arrangements.

I would keep it on the agenda; if necessarily, just on the back burner. But when it comes up, we must be ready to discuss it, both internally within the European context and internationally in ICANN. Ultimately, in the IGF and the United Nations, this will come up. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay. Thanks very much for this, Christopher. So there’d be a [inaudible]. So we have a note that we should keep this.

I’m not seeing anyone go against it, so let’s keep this part. Because we do need to finalize this document, what I would suggest then is to give this a 48-hours last call for comments on this document and then to

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freeze it and to [clean] it up and set it as this year's EURALO's hot topics document. I think we do need to have that at some point, so one needs to move on this.

Okay. I'm not seeing anyone say anything against that, so let's proceed forward with it. So I'll follow up immediately afterwards. If we can have this as an action item, please: Olivier to follow up for a final consensus call on the EURALO hot topics document.

Where's the current version of the hot topics document? It's linked to the agenda page. That's where it is. Let me just share it.

The copy is pretty clean, Roberto. Roberto asks whether it would make sense to have a consolidated version going around so we can make comments on a cleaner comment. I shall consolidate this one and then there will be a cleaner copy.

Joanna Kulesza?

JOANNA KULESZA: I hope I'm sounding clearer this time around. Is this okay, Olivier?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: A lot better, Joanna, yes. Welcome back.

JOANNA KULESZA: Wonderful. Brilliant. I wanted to reference on point. There is 3.1, which is balancing privacy and security. It might have been me who has added that. Do you want to keep it as it is? Because that seems like kind of an

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empty spot right there. Do you want to have it taken out? It does feed into 3.4, rule of law, which, in my original intention was to summarize all the issues that deal with human rights in the European perspective. But the rule of law is fundamental to implementing human rights.

Having said that, I understand that this is pretty much balancing on the fence that ICANN has put up between technical standards and content. We don't want to tip over that fence.

So in that sense, I'm wondering if you want to keep 3.1 as it is, balancing privacy and security. Elaborate it, strike it, or combine it together with 3.4, maybe elaborating on the security bit a little more?

So that would be my comment and the question. I'm happy to hear feedback. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much, Joanna. I do have a question, actually. Could we put all of this together and combine it with jurisdiction as well? Because that appears to be linked to jurisdiction, isn't it?

JOANNA KULESZA: Indeed. That is the point I was trying to make in 3.4. You kindly requested for me to elaborate, and I think this is the natural path to follow on the work that you have also been involved with, which I find is tremendously important. I think this is going to come up from many angles when ICANN's competence is being discussed, especially with regard to privacy and security.

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So, to me, it would be [safer] to link this. What jurisdiction and rule of law? Where rule of law would be the overall narrative we might use in [searchable] ways to address various human rights but also security issues.

Does that make sense?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks for this, Joanna. What I'd suggest then is we combine what's under 2 now – I've just undeleted it – with the text that you proposed and edit it and put it over there under 2.something, rather than 3.something, which is a totally, entirely different thread, because 3 is human rights.

JOANNA KULESZA: Sounds good. I would suggest expanding the heading of jurisdiction onto something a little bit broader than just jurisdiction. I would suggest making this linked with implementing rights or fundamental rights, however you wish. But, again, I'm happy to follow your lead on this.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks for this, Joanna. If you could please – I'll tell you what. You and I will briefly exchange e-mails afterwards and see how this can be rejigged around. Then, when it's done, we will do that consensus call to finalize the hot topics document.



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JOANNA KULESZA: [Sounds good]

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: And I note that [Collin] would like to make a response about merging those, about merging jurisdiction with the other topics. So I know [Collin] is on the Eurostar, I am aware, having taken the Eurostar recently, that it's challenging.

[COLLIN KERR]: Olivier, can you hear me?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: [Collin Kerr], I can indeed. Please, go ahead.

[COLLIN KERR]: Oh, great. Thanks very much. So the one thing that I wanted to emphasize – Joanna, I thought the edits that you made to the hot topics document were really great – is that, while there is absolutely [inaudible] or this kind of balancing act that you rightly identified. I do think that it would potentially be relevant. Unfortunately, I don't have the document in front of me. I'm juggling the app and the call and the phone and [inaudible].

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Oops. I think we might have lost [Collin Kerr]. Yeah.

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[ANDREA GLANDON]: I'm checking out her line.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you.

[ANDREA GLANDON]: Yeah. She dropped again.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: She dropped again, yeah. Unfortunately, when that train goes fast, the mobile signal can't quite keep out, going from [inaudible] to [inaudible]. So, kind of a problem.

I'm aware of the timing. Let's try and get [Collin] to either type her point or follow up by e-mail afterwards. I don't want to spend a whole call on this.

"Will the Eurostar changed name after Brexit? asks Roberto. You can ask the ICANN CEO about this. I'm sure he'll have a point of view on that. That was a joke, too. So let's move on, please.

Let's go to the next thing, which is the update on the EURALO Bylaws Task Force, with the draft bylaws that are now linked to the agenda. There was some further work that was done and some cleaning up that went on in this, based on the discussions that we had in our last call.

Yet still to be checked is the location of the – well, a couple of things first. In 2.5, it says, "Members are all members of the ICANN European Internet Users Forum." There was a question on the last call as to

whether we should keep that name. The EURALO Memorandum of Understanding, which was [filed] with ICANN a few years ago, specifically mentions, actually, in 2.4, EURALO (European Regional At-Large Organization) as defined in the ICANN bylaws, which shall be known as the ICANN European Internet Users Forum.

So changing this might need us to change or make an amendment in the MOU. It's rather insignificant, so the idea was maybe we can keep that as it currently is.

I know there might be some kind of confusion name with ICANN individual users, but it's not something – the ICANN European Internet Users Forum – that we publicly use often. So that was the first point.

The next point was the seat of the association. Still some discussion going on as to whether actually have it as my address in Switzerland or to provide a mailbox or a mail-forwarding service in Switzerland or to locate it at the ICANN offices in Geneva. Heidi is going to be checking with the ICANN office in Geneva if we can't just put this thing over there.

At the end of the day, it's not expected that EURALO will receive any correspondence by post, so paying for a service that we'll never use doesn't need to be a good use of funds as such, even if it's not that expensive. We could use the RALO discretionary funding, but why don't we use the RALO discretionary funding for something that's actually useful, rather than wasting it on something that we won't use. It's even worse than having insurance because the insurance might be useful, but here, it's like not useful at all.

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Then we can move further done. The big discussion during the last call was to do with the legal members and the individual members—

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, Heidi. Heidi Ullrich, go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I'm not sure you're seeing my hand raised. Just on that point—

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: No, I didn't see your hand. Go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. On that point about where the EURALO is going to be absolutely based, my thought, through our chat previously, was that it would be at your address currently, and, if you ever move, then we would look into the forwarding service.

My question is then, how much approximately is that forwarding service? Because we did discuss the RALO discretionary funding, and you could use that as long as you have RALO discretionary funding. But because that funding is an additional budget request, there's no guarantee that that will be there for as long as EURALO will be there.

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So I've reached out to [Cindy Dunc], who is in policy, and we just need to know approximately how much annually this forwarding service would be used if you were to move away. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Heidi. I think I had forwarded this somewhere, either on the mailing list or – I don't have the number in my head because this has been going around for so long. If anybody remembers that number, that would be helpful. Maybe Silvia might have a record of this.

SILVIA VIVANCO: [inaudible] I will search. [inaudible].

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much. Yeah, I don't remember it. We'll find out. Let's follow up after this call, Heidi, on this.

Sebastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. Just to say, why are we [wasting] time on that? You are not moving from Switzerland for the moment. Then let's have one solution for you and then somebody else will take care of that if you change places. Maybe ICANN will be more intelligent next time and accept that no letter comes to an address at the office of ICANN. Thank you very much.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much, Sebastien. I'm not seeing any other hands up. So that's the next one.

So now, in 7.9, there was the whole discussion about the voting. So the text as it currently is – and, Sebastien, please correct me; I think that's kind of what we reached last time – “Legal members recognize that At-Large Structures each have one vote. Individual members, natural persons, join directly through the EURALO individual association and have voting rights according to the EURALO individual association.”

Then, in brackets, there was, “Regarding voting, the EURALO individual association [acting] has the same rights as an ALS.” We can add this. Then, “Their compounded vote is cast by a representative of that association. Voting rights are to be exercised in accordance with the EURALO rules of procedure.” That's what we now have.

Let me just ... clean this up a little bit. Any comments on this?

Okay. That's the final text. Anyone?

Now, [Dasar Al Doshi] mentioned – he's a lawyer – “I have a concern with using “legal members.” It gives a sense that there are legal members and illegal members.”

Right. Yeah. I think we might change that, actually, because “legal members” is defined as organizations, and natural members are defined as individuals. But I think maybe we might not need to say “legal members” because “unaffiliated associations” might not actually have a legal standing in some jurisdictions. So we're just complicating things.

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Sebastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. It's another item. Yeah, if we can change it to "organizational members," or whatever – in French, it's personne [inaudible] – I don't how you translate that to English—

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: That's what it is. A personne [inaudible] is a legal member.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Okay. Whatever we said here. My concern is the following. It's that, as it is written – and sorry to read that again – it seems that, if you are an individual, you must be joining the EURALO individual association. But you can also join an ALS. Therefore, we need to write something like, "Individual members are not members of a legal member," or unaffiliated. Okay. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Okay. Maybe we can delete that and we can just put, "Members recognize individual members, natural persons." Okay. Wale Bakare?

WALE BAKARE: Hi. Can you hear me?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, we can hear you, Wale. You're just a little bit faint.

WALE BAKARE: All right. Is it better now?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, that's fine. Go ahead.

WALE BAKARE: Thank you. I think you've just said you'd amended a part [inaudible] because [inaudible].

What I would just say is I don't really think it makes any difference because, actually, it depends on the context – where you want to use the word “legal member” – because, for instance, you can say someone is a legal practitioner. When you see “legal practitioner,” you know it's someone that is dealing with laws and issues that have to do with policy [inaudible] and [formalization] in that sense.

So I think, when you say “legal member,” it really depends on context how you want to use that and [maybe what's legal.] Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this, Wale. Whilst you were speaking, I think the point you made here made me think about this. We could just say, “Organizations recognized as At-Large Structures each have one vote,” because that's what At-Large Structures are. They are organizations. And individual members – and here we have to say “natural persons” because individual members do have to be natural persons. And, “Natural



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persons unaffiliated with an At-Large Structure join directly through the EURALO individual associations.” Maybe that’s the answer to our problem.

Yrjo Lansipuro?

YRJO LANSIPURO:

I think the term “legal member” raises too many questions about illegal members. So why don’t you just call them ALSes? Or organizations, like Wale said? Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much, Yrjo. That’s what it now says on the screen. “Organizations recognized as At-Large Structures each have one vote.” I’ve taken “legal members” out.

Okay. Well, I’ll task this by Florian Huber, who has been our penholder and in-house counsel for this, but I think that, last time, he mentioned that was okay as well. So, yeah, that’s an action item: to send the latest changes to Florian.

Then, finally, moving further down, I think that’s it. Yeah, the rest of it is all worked out. So once this paragraph is worked out, then what I propose is to send this for a consensus call, maybe a one-week consensus call, on the EURALO mailing list. I know these are, of course, bylaws, so we actually need the proper vote on this, if I understand correctly. So we’ll have to launch a vote on these bylaws and they will need to be voted in.

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What I can do is to do a one-week last call for comments. Unless there are any comments, then we'll proceed forward with the vote. That's a vote of all of our current At-Large Structures, including the EURALO individual associations.

Okay. Let's move. Time is flying really quickly. The next thing is the report on the ATRT3 team composition. ATRT is the Accountability and Transparency Review Team. It's a group that looks at the overall accountability and transparency of ICANN. It yields considerable power.

One of the ALAC members is on this, and that's Sebastien Bachollet. Sebastien, please take us through the concerns that you have, please. You have the floor.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Okay. Thank you very much. I will not read the list of the members, but I'll give you the link. The four members from At-Large are Vanda Scartezini, Daniel Khauka Nanghaka, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, and myself, Sebastien Bachollet.

I was supposed to report to you about the decision about the leadership team in this structure. I will try to be factual. The two who were selected are Cheryl Langdon-Orr and Patrick Kane. Cheryl you know about. Patrick Kane is the representative of Verisign within ICANN.

I guess I will stop here, or I can tell you I was not at the last call because nobody wanted to change it. It was my birthday and I went to see [John Bez]. It was much more interesting than being on the ATRT3 call, making such bad decisions. Thank you very much.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Sebastien. So any comments or questions on this?

All right. Well, thanks for the update. Please let us know what next steps are taking place and if EURALO needs to take any specific action.

Sebastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: It's just to say I am not asking you to do something, but if you want to – and maybe not this time because [learning] what I am telling you – I think if nobody raised an issue on the decision taken by ATRT3 – I can elaborate on that, maybe not that but next time – it's a shame. I am very concerned with plenty of things, and it's just the second call.

I hope that I will have some support from EURALO, and this support needs to start now. That means, what do we think about this leadership team? What do we think about the way it's taken.

One point is that we have done everything to [share] the link with the U.S. government. But if you look to the decision taken since then, everywhere we have the U.S. taking the lead. And not small people from the U.S., not the U.S. user. Generally, it's big actors, big players.

It's my concern that I am the only one to be concerned with that. But let me know if I'm the only one. I will shut my mouth. Thank you.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Sebastien. I'm looking, of course, at the list of attendees and the Review Team members and the meetings, the calls, and so on that took place.

I note that there is a call – is every week now? I see there's a call on the 20<sup>th</sup> of February, on the 27<sup>th</sup> of February. So I think it's going to be important for us, maybe, to monitor this closely. If you could definitely keep the RALO up to date about what's going on in that meeting, then that would be helpful.

What we can do is have a monthly update on ATRT3 and give you five minutes every month, or even more if you need it, so you can keep us up to date about what is going on there.

With regards to the points regarding the U.S., of course, some might see a different point of view. I'm not saying that I have a different point of view. I'm just saying that some might have a different point of view. The overall balance of power in ICANN is a discussion that goes a lot further than just the discussion to be had in EURALO. I do note that there is always a discussion in At-Large about this as well. I've seen that happen for a long time. Where that goes is another story.

Christopher Wilkinson, you have the floor.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Olivier, before Christopher, just to tell you, yes, we have, each week, one call. But the official start will be the first face-to-face meeting. It will be after Kobe. I am still waiting for the date, but it may be the beginning

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of April. Therefore, the time will tick for one year at the beginning of April.

What is happening now is to prepare this. I'm not sure we need one call a week but it was the will of the leadership team and it's what will be done. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this, Sebastien. So that's one concern that I did have, which was the deadline for process because, in previous times, it was always the very first December, not matter when the first meeting took place. So if the first face-to-face meeting is in April and one finished at the end of the December, it was going to be very, very short. So it's good to see that this is going to be an actual full year.

Christopher Wilkinson?

CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON: Good evening again. Olivier, I was not really aware of the ATRT developments and the kind of issues that Sebastien has referred to. I think we should have some additional information. I [would] think about that.

But more generally, I'm increasingly of the view that the ALAC leadership does not really reflect the balance of opinion that I see on the lists and privately among the ALS and the large community as a whole.

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Now, I think EURALO needs to, to put it kindly, help to give ALAC greater backbone [inaudible] addressed it, its aim and its standing, to what it thinks is the appropriate consensus that they will be able to achieve or not with the other SOs and ACs. This results in a mixed message, and I think we need to help to, as I said, give them more backbone.

More generally, I'm increasingly of the feeling that the leadership of ICANN as a whole, following the transition, has gravitated towards incumbents, which of course is – not to name a name – Verisign is obviously the largest and most dominant incumbent.

In any other industry, the regulatory – I use that word neutrally with a small “r” – environments would not privilege incumbents to that degree. Yet again, simply on the grounds of fair play and in the interest of ICANN in order to discourage the risks of future takeover, notably by governments, ICANN needs to show itself as being more balanced and certainly less beholden to incumbents than it is at present.

I hope that Sebastien, in the ATRT context, can contribute to that process. I think the rest of us should do as well. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for your intervention, Christopher. We're kind of running out of ... [We have] three ALAC members on this call. For the record, it's Sebastien Bachollet, Joanna Kulesza, and Bastiaan Goslings. So maybe it would be a good thing for them to talk to each other and talk to you perhaps further and maybe a launch a little discussion, and, if they wish to, to launch this discussion on the ALAC.

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I know that there are several sessions that will deal with the strategic issue in Kobe. Joanna is asking, “Will we have time to cover this in Kobe?” I believe that there might be a chance to cover some of these topics in Kobe. So if our ALAC members come up with a strategy for this and have a look at the overall Kobe agenda and see when to bring this forward, that would be helpful.

And Christopher, you will not be in Kobe. That’s quite a long distance, and I can’t imagine many of our community members self-funding to go all the way to the other side of the planet, although Kobe, I hear, is a lovely place. Japan, too. But it’s still expensive to get there.

Sebastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Thank you, Olivier. Just to take your point, if my colleagues from ALAC, [Rob] and Christopher, wish to have a private discussion, I will be happy to do that.

Unfortunately, Joanna, I don’t think that, in a big group – not to say any other things – we will be able to discuss what I think is important to discuss. I am sorry for that, but it’s the way ICANN is running now. I am very ashamed of that and I am very sorry for that, but if we want to have an in-depth discussion, you [can’t] grow the group. That’s a problem with ALAC. That’s a problem with many of the working groups in this organization. It’s a strange way we are going. I love to embrace everybody, but at the end of the day, some discussion must be taken in small groups. It’s not anymore the case. Therefore, if, within EURALO,

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we want to have, I will be happy to try to organize that if you wish.  
Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Sebastien. We now have to move on, although I have [a further] link to the At-Large Kobe agenda. So you'll see in there there are links to each one of the days. Maybe you'll find there's a lot more information now about the different sessions that will be discussed in Kobe.

Now, we've kind of run out of time. There are two more agenda items which I can cover rather fast. The first one was the EURALO involvement in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. A call with Alexandra Kulikova and with her newly hired colleague, Natalia Mochu – the two are covering the countries. Now, for our region, it would be Ukraine. It would be Belarus, Moldova, and Russia. In the APRALO region, it would be Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, and – well, these are for the ones that sometimes considered as being next to Europe.

So we had pretty good discussion with Alexandra Kulikova on these topics. We reviewed the EURALO strategic plan, and Alexandra suggested a number of additional fora that you will have noted in the EURALO outreach strategic plan, a number of fora where we might wish to be active or send someone, even sending someone locally over there.

In addition, she also introduced Natalia Mochu to us. We now are also – in fact, this is an e-mail exchange that happened today – she introduced me to an ALS in Belarus. We haven't got any or potential At-Large Structure in Belarus. We haven't got any At-Large Structure in Belarus.



As you know, our aim is to have one At-Large Structure in every country. We're still far from achieving this in Europe, and Belarus has been one of those countries where it's been difficult to find a local organization. So I'll certainly follow up with that.

When it comes down to collaboration with APRALO, the next APNIC meeting is going to take place in Vladivostok, which is actually in our part of the world – “our part of the world” as in it's part of EURALO, even though Vladivostok is very, very far away. For this, global stakeholder engagement is currently going to show some flexibility. So we will see if any of our APRALO colleagues will be somehow funded or partly funded to be able to attend that big meeting over in Vladivostok.

So that's the update on the EURALO involvement in EE/CA. There'll be a follow-up on the Belarus At-Large Structure, and, hopefully, we can get some leads also from Moldova and maybe get even more Russian At-Large Structures also signed up.

Are there any questions or comments on this topic?

Roberto Gaetano?

ROBERTO GAETANO:

Just to add that it's very good to find new ALSes. We should definitely shoot for that. But if in certain situations we can find just individuals that might be interested in joining the EURALO individual user associations, we could start by that. Then that might, in time, bring also new ALSes. Thank you.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this, Roberto. I totally agree. In fact, when doing outreach, when meeting up with people, what I've often done is to say, "Look, if you don't have an ALS or if you're not sure if your organization might be interested, why don't you join as an individual?" And I give them the link to the website, individual users, so they can join as an individual. I hope that several of them have followed suit.

Then the next thing in our agenda is the ATLAS 3 update. That's the At-Large Summit that will take place in Montreal in November, 2019. A lot of work is going on there, a lot of work that is – and I can see here "At-Large 3 Summit" – [ah], and for some reason the At-Large 3 Summit home is not linking up properly. So, sorry for his. I'll have to amend the agenda.

So the At-Large Summit has got now two main groups. One is a programming group and one is a leadership development group. The Leadership Development Group is subdivided into further groups in order to design the whole criteria for selecting the people that will be able to apply to go over to that summit. There are only 60 slots for 200+ At-Large Structures, plus of course the individual members. So there is likely to be some selection going on. So they're working on that.

The Program Group is divided into three sub groups. One is the capacity building part for the Program Group, which is to do with ICANN Learn and any of the activities that we might make use of in advance before the face-to-face summit in Montreal.

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The second one is the Programming Group that is looking at the actual program itself – so the day-to-day activities, plenaries, workshops, etc., that will take place into the meeting.

Then the third one is the Outcomes and the Outputs. That's already strategizing the way we will capitalize on the work that will have been undertaken by the people traveling and meeting face-to-face and how we can make sure that we've got tangible outcomes that not only we can utilize but we can also share and spread among the ICANN community.

So that's the quick update on this. There are weekly calls of all of these groups. Yeah, I think we'll just keep you updated with what's going on. I know that many people from this community are actually part of these working groups, so thank you for being on those.

Any comments or questions?

And thanks, Silvia, for putting the link to the At-Large Summit 3 home. I think a little bit of cleaning up will need to be done. I'm certainly going to do some cleaning up in the Program Group because it's still not very homey at the moment.

Okay. Now we move into Any Other Business, since I'm not seeing any other hands. So is there any other business? I do realize we are a little late.

Christopher Wilkinson does mention here we do need some background and links to the Montreal organization. Yeah. The At-Large Summit 3 home is slowly filling up.

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Roberto mentions we do indeed have individual users from EE/CA and the association. Correct.

Okay. Roberto, we'll have to amend the action item to say, "Potential organizations and individuals." So, "Organizations suitable as At-Large Structures and potential individuals in Belarus and Moldova." [That was] the edit for the action items.

Right. I'm not seeing any hands at the moment for any other business. In the meantime, I did receive a text from Anette Muhlberg, who I'm getting in touch with. She sends her apologies, not being able to be one the call. She appears to be in an area where there is no electricity. There's an electricity cut. She's stuck in a traffic jam. It's not good. A quarter total electricity cut. So something happening in Germany in the moment, but certainly please note her apology. If you are sitting at home and nice and comfy, then you're very lucky because some people aren't in the same position that you are.

Thanks, everyone, for being on this call. The next call will take place after the ICANN Meeting in Kobe. It will be delayed, I believe, by one week because it's too close to the ICANN Kobe meeting. I think a number of us will still be traveling at the time. So it will be the 26<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019. We'll be able to report back to you.

In the meantime, as I said earlier, there are several things that are coming to your mailbox, the main one being the voting on the EURALO bylaws. So please vote and please continue all the discussions on the mailing list.

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Thanks, everyone. This call has now ended. Have a very good evening, everyone. Bye-bye.

[HEIDI ULLRICH]: Thanks, everyone.

ANDREA GLANDON: Thank you. This concludes today's conference. Please remember to disconnect all lines and have a wonderful rest of your day.

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