

A brief update for the month of May 2019, from the APRALO perspective



## APRALO Newsletter, May 2019



*APRALO Leadership during APAC Space @ ICANN64.*

## ALAC Update

The [ALAC Monthly Call on 28 May](#) discussed topics ALAC policy development activities, including current ratified statements of ALAC (see below) and current statements in development; reviewed current ALS and Individual Member applications, and continued with discussions on ATLAS III, including applications received and the selection process. The ALAC also discussed next steps of the At-Large Review Implementation Working Group (ARIWG) including the Interim Report 1, discussions on ICANN65 and an update on 2019 ALAC and RALO Elections, Selections and

Appointments.

The ATLAS III Capacity Building Subgroup organized five webinars this month as a part of the mandatory [ATLAS III Webinars](#), on the topics of: (1) Domain Names Demystified, (2) Introduction to the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO), (3) Onboarding: Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), (4) Onboarding: Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), and (5) Cybersecurity Basics.

Elections for APRALO Vice Chair took place 23-30 May 2019. Results are as follows:

- Maureen Hilyard - ALAC Member representing APRALO (Term: 2019 AGM - 2021 AGM; by acclamation)
- Lianna Galstyan - APRALO Vice-Chair (Term: 2019 AGM - 2021 AGM; selected by election)
- Amrita Choudhury - ALAC Delegate to the NomCom representing the APAC Region (Term: 2019 AGM - 2021 AGM; by election) *Note: Amrita is the Regional Candidate recommended to the ALAC. The ALAC will select the final ALAC Delegates.*

Newly elected ALAC Members and RALOs Leaders shall be seated at the end of the 2019 AGM (ICANN66) following the close of the Board Meeting on 7 November 2019. Please see [2019 APRALO Regional Selections](#) for more information.

**[Additional Budget Requests \(ABRs\)](#)**: RALOs had their request for RALO discretionary funding approved and At-Large had the request for up to 10 hours monthly of RTT services. Please visit the [At-Large FY20 Budget Implementation Workspace](#) for more details.

### **ICANN65 Prep Week**

Don't forget to register by **today, Friday, 7 June** for ICANN65's Prep-week! Not sure which webinar to attend? Check out the schedule and topics available [here](#).

## **At-Large/ALAC Policy Comments & Advice**

**All of APRALO and the At-Large community are invited to contribute to ICANN public comment proceedings. For more information, please visit the [At-Large Policy Advice Development Page](#) or contact [At-Large staff](#).**

**Comment** [Evolving ICANN's Multistakeholder Model](#) 13 June 2019

**Drafting** [Process Proposal for Streamlining Organizational Reviews](#) 15 July 2019

**Have your say!** To contribute to ALAC public comment, please comment on the wiki space or volunteer as penholder, and join the weekly [At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group \(CPWG\)](#) meetings.

**The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) submitted (1) policy statement:**

**Comment:** [Proposed Renewal of .asia Registry Agreement](#)

*The ALAC supports the proposed changes to the .asia (DotAsia) renewal agreement, with (3) comments related to universal acceptance (UA), public interest commitments and fees to be paid to ICANN org.*

**See:** [At-Large Website Policy Comments & Advice](#)

**See:** [Executive Summaries: ALAC Policy Comments & Advice](#)

**See:** [Consolidated Policy Working Group \(CPWG\)](#)

## ICANN Update

This month, ICANN:

- ICANN Board of Directors adopted [ICANN's Fiscal Year 2020 \(FY20\) Operating Plan and Budget](#), [Five-Year Operating Plan Update](#) and the [Revised Draft Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2021-2025](#).
- Published the first internal [Human Rights Impact Assessment \(HRIA\) Report](#) developed by [Löning - Human Rights and Responsible Business](#), assessing the human rights impacts of ICANN's daily operations.
- Published the [Fellowship Program Post-Meeting Report from ICANN64](#).
- Informed the generic top-level domain (gTLD) registries and registrars (contracted parties) they must implement the [Interim Registration Data Policy for gTLDs](#) by 20 May 2019.
- Organized a webinar on [Evolving ICANN's Multistakeholder Model](#) of governance.
- Announced the locations for the ICANN Public Meetings in 2021: The ICANN70 Community Forum in Cancún, Mexico from 20-25 March 2021, and the ICANN71 Policy Forum in The Hague, Netherlands from 14-17 June 2021, and the ICANN72 Annual General Meeting in Seattle, Washington, U.S., from 23-28 October 2021.
- Issued a [call for volunteers for the Implementation Review Team for Registration Data policy implementation](#).

## APRALO Update

The [APRALO Monthly Call held on 16 May](#) featured discussions regarding the membership in pipeline, next steps of the ARIWG and ALAC policy updates, including EPDP next steps, the Evolution of ICANN's Multistakeholder Model and ICANN65 Hot Topics. APRALO Monthly also featured an overview on the 2019 APRALO Elections process; a discussion of organizing the next APRALO General Assembly with AprIGF 2022, updates on the ATLAS III selection process and NomCom updates. There was also a presentation given by newly appointed ALS ISOC Mumbai about their organization and their activities.

On 21 May, APRALO held a call to "[Meet the Candidates](#)" for the APRALO Vice Chair position. Voting for the position was open from 24-30 May.

The election of the APRALO Individual Representative was held and results announced on 23 May: Mili Semlani is the APRALO Individual Representative for 2019.

## NomCom Update

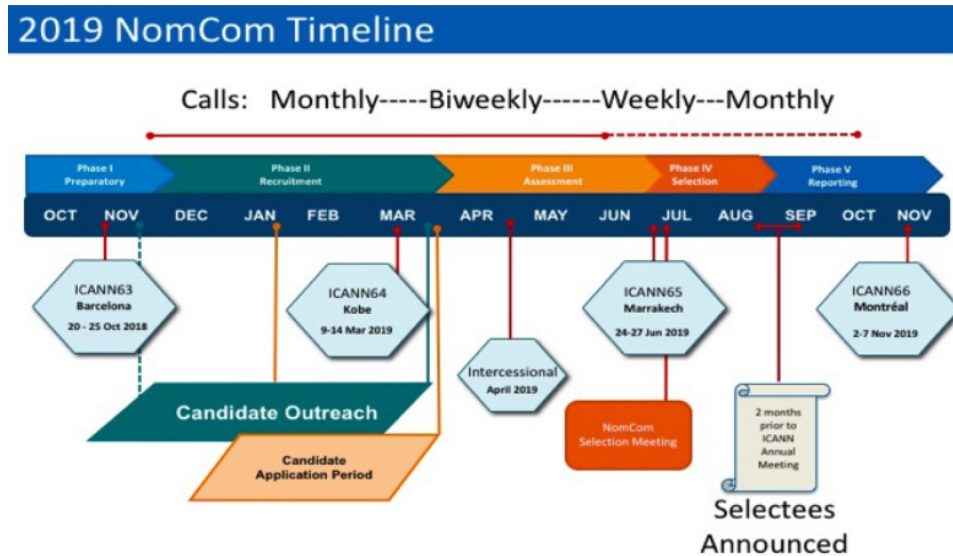
**by Nadira Al-Araj, APRALO Delegate to the NomCom**

In accordance with the [timeline](#), the NomCom members have completed audio interviews of all shortlisted candidates. The initial shortlisting of candidates have been completed by the NomCom during the first intercessional meeting, held in Los Angeles, while the second intercessional was conducted online in May to determine the second shortlisted candidates for the final review.

The shortlisted candidates for ICANN and PTI Board positions will be interviewed during ICANN65 in Marrakech, then evaluations by the NomCom will continue while in

Marrakech for the final selection of candidates. The final selection of candidates include: ICANN Board 3 seats, one seat for the PTI Board, 3 seats for each of the ALAC positions for Africa, LAC and Asia, one seat for ccNSO and 2 seats for the GNSO. The announcement of successful candidates will be made during ICANN66. The first report from NomCom may be viewed [here](#).

2019 NomCom Timeline:



## APAC Hub Meeting: ICANN's Evolving Multistakeholder Governance Model

At this meeting on 27 May, Pam Little, GNSO Council Vice Chair, facilitated an APAC Space web conference discussion on ICANN's Evolving Multistakeholder Governance Model.

Amrita, Maureen and Cheryl from our APRALO team contributed to the discussion via audio and in the chat. The discussion was prompted by some questions, featured in promotion of the event so that they could be considered early by attending participants. While it may be a little late for people to make the public comment deadline (June 04), these are pertinent questions that could make APRALO more effective if, for ourselves, we established some means of addressing the issue of representation and inclusion of the voices from our APAC community into At-Large's, or even APRALO's, processes.

How can we ensure that those who need to be heard from our end-user community are more effectively heard? How do we include and empower them so that they will want to participate? How do we balance efficiency and representativeness and inclusiveness in ICANN's Multistakeholder Governance Model?

- What does "representativeness" mean for the APAC community?
- What would make you more comfortable to actively participate?
- What can APAC community leaders/ICANN org do to help?
- How can the wider APAC community provide their input and feedback?

Send any comments or responses to these questions to Satish, Lianna or Ali or to [staff@atlargeicann.org](mailto:staff@atlargeicann.org).

ALS Highlights



## NITPAA launches Monthly Newsletter

NITPAA launched a monthly newsletter to update community members in Afghanistan on activities initiated by the ALS, and also share updates of initiatives undertaken by the government: new policies, laws, private sector activities, market updates, and information about scholarships and opportunities.

The newsletter is available in three languages: English, Dari and Pashto. The newsletter can be viewed using this [link](#).

## APRALO Leaders Attend DotAsia Board Meeting

The [Board of DotAsia](#) met during May in Hong Kong. The meeting was attended by three members of the APRALO Leadership Team. This was Lianna's first meeting as a Board Member. Satish attended his first meeting at the [DotAsia Board's AGM](#) in Daejeon, Korea, just before the APRICOT 2019 meeting. Maureen is currently in her second term on the DotAsia Board.



*Board of DotAsia in Hong Kong, with APRALO Leaders.*

## APRALO Vice Chair Participates in CAIGF

The fourth edition of the Central Asian IGF (CAIGF) was organized in Tashkent, Uzbekistan between 14-16 May. An academic engagement was organized by RIPE NCC at Westminster University, Tashkent on day Day 0 (14 May). During the two-day regional IGF such topics as geographical limitations, digital rights, cybersecurity were discussed.

For the first time, APRALO was present at the meeting. Lianna Galstyan, APRALO Vice Chair, Vahan Hovsepyan, ARMIX ALS from Armenia, and Natalia Mochu, ICANN GSE Manager for the Eastern Europe and Central Asia, attended the event. Followed by a general presentation of ICANN by Natalia, Lianna made a presentation about the ALAC and particularly about the APRALO.



CAIGF 2019.

## Upcoming Events and Other Announcements



- The [ICANN65 Policy Forum](#) will be held in Marrakech, Morocco from 24-27 June 2019.
- The Middle East and Adjoining Countries School on IG 2019 (MEAC-SIG 2019) will be held in Rabat, Morocco from 8-12 July 2019.
- [10th Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum \(APrIGF\)](#) will be held from 16-19 July 2019 in Vladivostok, Russia.
- The fourth edition of India School of Internet Governance ([inSIG 2019](#)) will be held from 15-17 November in Kolkata, India.
- Applications for the [4th Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy \(APIGA\) 2019](#) are open until 07 June 2019.

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