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

APRALO Newsletter, November 2019

Members of the At-Large leadership (including ALAC and RALO leaders) at ICANN66 / ATLAS III

ATLAS III Concludes in Montreal
by Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Chair

ATLAS III was certainly different from what I remember of ATLAS II. Naturally, it was a lot smaller than ATLAS II, but many experienced visa issues and work commitments. But the lower number of participants certainly did not diminish the interest and enthusiasm of those who participated in David Kolb's leadership programme, nor in the interesting discussions during the breakout sessions related to the policy case study (EPDP I).

Many of the ATLAS III participants were attending their first ICANN meeting, so attending large plenaries, a Government Advisory Committee (GAC) meeting with GAC Chair Manal Ismail and government officials from around the world was an eye-opener for them. They got to see how At-Large and the ALAC interacts directly with other community groups, such as the GAC, as At-Large policy experts explained the Internet end user perspective on the EPDP, SubPro and capacity building. We also met the leaders of the GNSO (Keith Drasek), ccNSO (Katrina Sataki) and SSAC (Rod Rasmussen) as well as ICANN's new Chair, Maarten Botterman, and the ICANN President and CEO, Göran Marby. Participants also learned the importance of keeping up to date with ICANN acronyms.

There were some great networking events which provided the opportunity to make new friends. It is always easier to make your way into one of our Post-ATLAS III working groups (which you will hear about soon) when you have personally met some of the others who might choose the same Post-ATLAS III activity. I hope everyone enjoyed their gifts and travelled home safely (although I was saddened to hear a couple of our At-Large members lost gear along the way).

I especially hope that everyone is well, and that you are ready to complete the survey that is being sent out, as well as the brief report we are expecting from you about your experience. More on that will arrive in an email.

In conclusion, I would like to wish you all the compliments of the Season and hope you have a Merry Xmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!
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.

The ALAC is drafting the following comments:

Comment ALAC Advice to ICANN Board on DNS Abuse
16 December 2019 (TBC)

Vote Implementation Plan for the GNSO Consensus Policy Relating to the Protection of Certain Red Cross Names
12 December 2019

Comment ISOC Sells PIR
16 December 2019 (TBC)

Comment At-Large Policy Platform
Post-ICANN66 (TBC)

The ALAC ratified the following statement(s):

DRAFT PTI and IANA FY21 Operating Plan and Budgets
The ALAC noted that the proposed PTI and IANA FY21 Operating Plan and Budgets are aligned with the ICANN Strategic Plan, and are also very similar to previous years’ budgets. An adjustment in the PTI budget is noticeable, including adjustments in salaries, services and other administrative cross-charges from ICANN to PTI or IANA.

However, the ALAC pointed out that a change is in process in the Governance of the Root Server System, these changes are not reflected in the proposed PTI and IANA FY21 Operating Plan and Budgets. The ALAC asked several exploratory questions in their response.

Registration Directory Service (RDS-WHOIS2) Review Team Final Report
Executive Summary TBD

In addition, the ALAC submitted feedback to the GNSO regarding the Invitation to Provide Input for PDP 3.0 Implementation.

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.
ICANN66 By the Numbers

The ICANN66 By the Numbers Report is now available. Get information about 2016-2019 trends, key session statistics, and more. Read the full report here >> https://go.icann.org/38oLvOF

APRALO @ ICANN66

APRALO had a significant presence at ICANN66. In addition to the APRALO Leadership Team, there were 17 ATLAS III travelers from our region - the highest among all RALOs.

In addition to participating in ATLAS III, APRALO also had a side-meeting at Montréal, to discuss different ways of enhancing community participation in ICANN policy processes as well as Post-ATLAS III Activities.
This month, ICANN:

- Determined San Juan, Puerto Rico would be the location for the [2022 ICANN Public Meeting - Community Forum](https://www.icann.org/meetings).

In addition, there is a [call for SOs/ACs to nominate Fellowship Program Mentors](https://www.icann.org/news/2019-09-18-call-for-soacs-to-nominate-fellowship-program-mentors-mba628) by 31 January 2020, and the [ICANN68 Fellowship round is now open](https://www.icann.org/news/2019-09-18-icann68-fellowship-round-is-now-open-mba629) until 15 December 2019.

### APRALO Update

**by Amrita Choudhury, APRALO NomCom Delgate**

There are seven leadership positions for the NomCom2020 to fill up. These include 2 seats on the ICANN Board of Directors, 1 seat on the GNSO Council, 2 seats on the ALAC, 1 seat on the ccNSO Council and 1 on the PTI Board of Directors.

For more details please visit the NomCom 2020 [website](https://www.icann.org/nomcom/2020).

#### Seven Open Positions to be filled by 2020 NomCom

- **Public Technical Identifiers (PTI)**
  - PTI Board of Directors 1 seat | 3 year term

- **Internet Corporation of Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)**
  - ICANN Board of Directors 2 seats | 3 year term
  - GNSO Council 1 seat | 2 year term
  - At Large Advisory Committee 2 seats | 2 year term
  - ccNSO Council 1 seat | 3 year term

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### ALS Highlights

#### Youth IGF India

The second Youth IGF India was organised on 14 November 2019 at St. Xavier's College, Mumbai.
University, Kolkata. The event was supported by four ISOC chapters: New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, and Trivandrum. Nearly 100 youth participated in the event, including 20 fellows. This event was supported by inSIG, United Nations Internet Governance Forum, Indus Net Technologies and St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata. Through panel discussions, workshops, role-playing scenarios and group activities, the event covered a myriad of topics related to the internet.

The event was themed around "Privacy" and had eminent experts from APNIC, ISOC, ICANN, IETF, IEEE, IndusNet, India Internet Foundation, Software Freedom Law Centre (India) speaking at the event. Rev. Father Dr. J. Felix Raj S. J. Principal, St. Xavier’s University, inaugurated the event.

**Update on Fourth Edition of India School on Internet Governance (inSIG2019)**

The fourth edition of inSIG was held from 15-17 November 2019 in Kolkata, India, with two Day 0 events (the Second Youth IGF India and GFCE Triple-I Workshop) on 14th November 2019. The event was organised through a partnership of four ISOC chapters: New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, and Trivandrum. The event was supported and sponsored by NIXI, Facebook, Internet Society, APNIC, ICANN, Neustar, APASA and MediaNama.

50 Fellows from various academic, cultural, regional backgrounds participated in inSIG2019. Through panel discussions, workshops, role-playing scenarios and group activities, the three-day school covered a myriad of topics related to the Internet.
sessions covered fundamental topics like the history, principles, and status of the Internet. The hurdles around online safety, human rights, online radicalization, and cybersecurity were extensively examined and many perspectives were brought out which were thought-provoking and ingenious. The status and challenges of emerging technologies, content regulation, and a multilingual internet were also discussed widely, and valuable feedback and inputs were provided by the delegates.

The fifth edition of inSIG is scheduled to be organized during Oct-Nov 2020 at west-Indian city of Mumbai.

More Pictures:
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GFCE Triple-I Workshop

The Triple-I Workshop, facilitated by the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate, and Maarten Botterman examined mechanisms that would improve the security of the Internet and the trust of its users. The session, which brought together some of the top experts in security with participants from industry, civil society, government organizations and the technical community, examined various topics including open Internet standards such as DNSSEC, TLS, DMARC, DKIM, SPF, DANE and IPv6, and discussed good practices from different parts of the Asia-Pacific Region as well as from outside the region.

Upcoming Events and Other Announcements

- The ICANN67 Community Forum will be held in Cancun, Mexico from 7-12 March 2020.

And don't forget to Tweet @ At-Large!

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