

ANDREA GLANDON: Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the EURALO Monthly Teleconference held on Tuesday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019, at 19:00 UTC.

On today's call, we have Olivier Crepin-LeBlond, Bastiaan Goslings, Natalia Filina, Yrjo Lansipuro, Sebastien Bachollet, Ann Marie Joly Bachollet, Wale Bakare, Maureen Hilyard, Leon Sanchez, and Oksana Prykhodko.

We have apologies today from Collin Kurre, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, and Roberto Gaetano.

From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, 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, Andrea. Welcome, everyone, to this EURALO Monthly Conference call. It's a very packed agenda today. That's why we're starting on time and we're pushed for time throughout the call. So, I'll ask everyone who makes interventions to please keep them short and to the point. I'll try myself to do such a thing as well, noting that we are already two minutes past the start of the call.

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Our call today is going to be mainly looking at the review of the policy work that is taking place. We'll be looking back at ICANN 64 and what happened in Kobe. We'll be looking through the agendas and through some of the points that were made and I invite all of you, all of the people who had been in Kobe, to take part in this discussion.

Then, after that, we'll have feedback from Sebastien Bachollet on the EURALO application for [Zurda] membership and the Center. Then we'll be looking at a quick update on our EURALO bylaws taskforce discussion, next steps, what we'll do after that. We'll have a short discussion as well on the EURALO hot topics and finally an update on the At-Large Summit. I understand that in any other business we also need to have an update from Natalia Filina on the EURALO Individual Members Association.

That's the whole long agenda as it stands at the moment. Are there any amendments or updates or changes or additions to this agenda? I'm not seeing any hands up and I'm seeing a green tick from Sebastien, so let's then proceed forward. The agenda is adopted.

Our first thing is to look at the EURALO action items from the last monthly call. There were two action items for me. First was Olivier to send a call to finalize the EURALO hot topics document and Olivier to send a final EURALO bylaws document with edits to Florian who will look for a final review. I've been speaking to Florian. We'll be touching on this on both of these documents later on in the call. So, what I suggest is we just defer the discussion regarding these updates to the relevant part of this call.

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So, now we can move on to the next item on our agenda since there are no comments on this and that's the review of the current and upcoming ALAC public consultations.

There were a lot of public consultations that ended recently and that ended just ahead of the ICANN meeting in Kobe or even just after that. The ones that we now have on the table are few and far between. There are two that are still there for decision. There is a comment period on the proposed renewal of the dot-org registry agreement. Dot-org is run by PIR (Public Internet Registry). Then there's also the proposed renewal of dot-info registry agreement. I understand that dot-info is run by Afilias. These two are coming up for renewal, so the community has asked to comment on any of the terms of renewal agreements that are on there. At the moment, the ALAC has not made a decision on whether it wants to comment on that.

The ALAC has decided that it wishes to pursue drafting a response to the GNSO Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the temporary specification for the generic top-level domain registration data policy recommendations. That, of course, sounds very much like the previous consultation on the EPDP but the previous consultation was undertaken by the Generic Names Supporting Organization ahead of its ratification of the actual documents. Now the question is down to whether the community or whether the ALAC wishes to draft another statement, perhaps something to reiterate some of the points that were not put across in the EPDP final paper, etc. The penholders are Alan Greenberg and Hadia Elminawi. Both of them are main two participants in the EPDP process, so they're very well-suited to being able to draft something. The deadline for this consultation is the 17<sup>th</sup> of April which

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does give a little bit of time before then. At present, there is no draft on the Wiki mailing list but no doubt there will be one soon. I understand there is likely to be some discussion in the upcoming Consolidated Policy Working Group call that will take place tomorrow, Wednesday. And tomorrow, Wednesday, at 19:00 UTC for any of you that are interesting in joining.

That's all we have at the moment on this. Are there any comments or questions? Is there any comments on this? Sébastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. Just to add to your presentation that normally ALAC doesn't make statements about [inaudible] of TLDs. Therefore, I expect that it will be the same for dot-com and dot-info. Regarding EPDP, I think that the way we will send comments or an advice may be a little bit different. There is a comment period but the way ALAC needs to be involved in that, from my point of view, must be discussed because I think it will be good if [inaudible] advice from ALAC and not just ... Therefore, I don't know if it's the advice needs to answer to the comment or if it needs to go to another way. But that's a question I hope that ALAC will discuss during future calls. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien. Just as an additional piece of background information, there was some discussion on the Consolidated Policy Working Group as to whether during the first consultation which was in fact some kind of a feedback consultation on the document for final adjustments to be made by the Expedited PDP

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participants, I think that the previous comment was very consensual and very positive and basically saying we agree with the report. We don't want to be a barrier to the adoption of the report.

The question I guess now is whether the ALAC wishes to be stronger than this, stronger as in voice stronger opposition to some of the points that were made. A point that it might have said it had concerns about but that were not a showstopper for adopting the report. So, we're in a situation where there needs to be a discussion on that. I don't know if anybody has specific views in this community that can be relayed back to the CPWG but the floor is open if anybody wishes to discuss any of these or if anybody that doesn't usually follow the CPWG and wishes to voice some points that could be made during tomorrow's Consolidated Policy Working Group call.

And I'm not seeing anyone put their hand up, so I think that the discussion on policy commenting is complete for today which is shorter than it was before or than it usually is. I see Sebastien Bachollet has put his hand up. Sebastien?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. Just to say that if we go in the direction you are suggesting, it may be good that we stand on some points – again, the fact that we go ahead with EPDP result and we go now to the second phase and we are still participating.

One of my questions would be – and I will ask tomorrow again, but I'm not sure that it's a good idea to have, as the penholder, Alan and Hadia because we want them to be involved in the second phase of EPDP and

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we want to be stronger. How to say? Stronger [inaudible]. And somebody else will write the statement just to not be ... To have these two people a little bit crazy because they are saying something in one hand eventually writing for us in the other hand. Just a suggestion for folks. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien. I can certainly see your point. Because they are participants in the EPDP and they have agreed in the EPDP to proceed forward with phase one, it's going to be difficult for them to go back and say, "Well, actually, we didn't mean that and we meant something else," or, "We felt that we need to emphasize things more strongly." That's a very good point and I hope that you will be able to be in the EPDP call tomorrow to let everyone know about this, to make the suggestion. I certainly would personally agree to that as well.

I see Maureen Hilyard is among us, so welcome, Maureen. Maureen being the ALAC chair. And Leon Sanchez is here as well, the ALAC selected board member. So, welcome to both of you.

I'm not seeing any other hands up at the moment, so we can follow-up then with the next part of our agenda. Thank you for the suggestion, Sébastien. We'll follow-up tomorrow on this.

The next part of the agenda is a review of ICANN 64 that's just happened in Kobe. You will see in your agenda some links to the ICANN 64 Kobe meeting agendas. If you scroll a little bit, you've got a whole page about the Kobe meeting. You scroll a little bit down the page and you see meeting agenda starting from Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of March.

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What I suggest is that I could go through briefly some of the meetings that I have there. And if I may invite those people that have attended the meeting to put their hand up and add to what I've said at any point in time that would be very helpful. We have about ten minutes for this exercise and then afterwards we'll look at some of the outputs of the meeting. And finally Wale Bakare will take us through the budget process which has kicked off at the ICANN 64 meeting.

So, first, the agenda. We started on Saturday and Saturday being day minus two compared to the actual official kickoff of the meeting which usually takes place on the Monday with the overall opening ceremony.

As you know, some of the ICANN constituencies start work beforehand and the ALAC is one of them. The GNSO (Generic Names Supporting Organization) is another one. So, we started our work on the Saturday. Bearing in mind there had been a leadership training program which started earlier. I also understand that some of the working groups such as the Expedited PDP started very early as well.

Anyway, on the Saturday, you will notice that the Expedited Policy Development Process met simultaneously with some capacity building or leadership development sessions which started effectively with David Cole who is an independent consultant and contractor from Insight Learning. David took us through a number of case studies and so on for leadership development points that were related to the At-Large community and At-Large Advisory Committee and regional leaders. It's worth nothing that David Cole will be available for the development sessions that will take place during the At-Large Summit in Montreal at

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the end of the year. He is not new to our community. I thought I'd mention that just now.

On the same day, in the afternoon, there were two sessions on the new gTLD (new generic top-level domains) subsequent procedures. So, those people that were part of that working group left us and went over to that working group. At the same time, there was a leadership preparation in the afternoon where we had the visit of people from finance and we had a chance to discuss with Becky Nash and Shani Quidwai the fiscal year 20 budget and additional budget requests for this year.

Unfortunately, the EURALO additional budget request didn't go too far, but I'll let Wale speak to you about this a little bit later on.

Finally, there was a review just preparing, basically, ICANN 64, knowing that this was going to be a very, very busy week. And we finished the day with a fellowship social event which was great to see. The fellowship is always our main source of new volunteers coming into our community and it was great to be able to attend this. There was a time when just a few people attended but now I think that a lot of us went there and managed to mingle with some of the newcomers and hopefully we'll have some more people coming in our ranks very soon.

On the Sunday, the Subsequent Procedures Working Group did not meet but we had an actual leadership policy workshop that Jonathan Zuck, our Consolidated Policy Working Group co-chair, ran and it was very interesting to have Christa Taylor coming to speak to us, and Christa I understand is one of the people following this working group

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HEIDI ULLRICH: She's the complaints officer, Olivier.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Complaints officer, that's it. Christa Taylor. Okay. So, she was the complaints officer. Sorry, I just got a surprise here because I [inaudible] the complaints officer there. Anyway, we basically had a look at the community priority evaluation process and discussion about the Applicant Support Program. Very interesting discussion and the recordings of this, if you haven't been able to attend this, I will highly recommend that you follow this recording, along with the recording of the session that went on afterwards for another 90 minutes and that was about balancing privacy with security and stability for the Internet end user. So, two policy topics to kick off our Sunday which were well-attended, and at the same time, very interesting.

The one, of course, with balancing privacy was particularly interesting in that we had three people, three guest speakers. One person from the law enforcement perspective, Laurin Kapin. One from the technical community, Greg Aaron. And Kathy Kleiman coming from a perspective of privacy advocates. And Farzaneh Badii coming in as also someone from the Non-Commercial Users Constituency looking at the angle of privacy and the personal data, etc. It was very interesting to have the different angles there. Not quite a debate but certainly a good discussion.

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Then, in the afternoon, there was a leadership working lunch just for the ALAC members where we had effectively preparing for some of the sessions that we were going to have over the week including the preparation for the questions for the board and how things were going to roll out.

Afternoon we had Rinalia Abdul Rahim who is the Internet Society Senior Vice President for Strategy and Implementation provide us a presentation of the work that she now does now that she's not on the ICANN board anymore and now that she's not on the ALAC. It was good to speak with her.

Rod Rasmussen followed her afterwards. Rod is the SSAC chair. Julie Hammer led that meeting again as the SSAC vice chair. I'm not going to say the inside joke. If you're interested to hear about the inside joke about our SSAC liaisons, then go and check that recording and I'm sure you'll find out at some point.

Then, in the afternoon after that, we had a working session and basically met with the Global Commission on the Stability in Cyberspace, the GCSC. That's of course the whole ... It's a huge project that's been going on for quite some time. They met in Kobe before the ICANN meeting and it was really interesting to have them being able to speak to us and interact with us. The room was actually rather full for this. That actually was followed up later in the evening by a reception. And just before that ... So, after this meeting with the GCSC, Keith Drazek stepped into the room. Keith Drazek is of course the Generic Names Supporting Organization chair and it was a good interaction, good and frank interaction with him.

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Then, finally, to close off the day before that reception was the joint ALAC and ccNSO meeting. That basically was a follow-up from the previous meeting that the ALAC had with the Country Code Names Supporting Organization. Again, a very frank, very interesting, discussion. And the introduction of a newly appointed ccNSO liaison to the ALAC, Segun Akano. As you know, the ALAC has Barrack Otieno who is our liaison into the ccNSO and now there's a reverse liaison, if you want. There's a ccNSO liaison to the ALAC. That now makes two people being able to report back and forth. That was a very, very busy Sunday.

Monday started off of course with the opening ceremony, and immediately after that was the joint At-Large and NCUC outreach which had all of the different fellows and NextGen present. That took place in two parts. Unfortunately, the second part wasn't that well-attended because the fellows had to have lunch elsewhere and logistical difficulties made it a little hard for them to make it back on time for the afternoon session.

It was following with a joint At-Large and NPOC session, the Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns. That was very well-attended again with a number of people. I think that both of these sessions really were very successful indeed. It's good to be able to work with the NCUC and with the NPOC on these sessions so as to get our communities to basically work together and get used to working better together. There are still some points where we disagree on but certainly when it comes down to bringing more people into ICANN, our joint work is usually very helpful and very good.

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Then, later on in the afternoon there were some high importance topics. Of course, the new gTLD auction proceeds, the next steps in ICANN's response to the General Data Protection Regulation. Very, very big topics and that all took place in the main hall. I know that some of our community members took part in this.

At the same time, also, the cross-community working group on Internet Governance received Rinalia Abdul Rahim again who set out some of the Internet Society's goals when it came down to working with ICANN and working with our community.

Finally, after the public forum, there was the gala night which was actually a little short, should I say. But I think that everyone was so exhausted with the day's activities – you can see how full that was – that it was very fast. Everyone was pretty much ready to go home and get some sleep afterwards.

On Tuesday – yes, we're only there on Tuesday. I'll try and go a little faster. On Tuesday we started with the Outreach and Engagement Subcommittee meeting. Joana Kulesza did a lot of work on this along with Daniel Nanghaka. It's great to see that Joana has really taken on the full strength in this.

What can I say? A lot of work going on with capacity building, with outreach and engagement, with the regional – feedback from the regional co-chairs of the regional outreach and engagement report. I need to recognize Matthias Hudobnik from our region who leads the EURALO work. I can only just wish both Joana and Matthias good

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collaboration with everyone else. There's certainly a lot of material that's about to come out of this group.

After this, the meeting of the At-Large Regional Organizations with the Global Stakeholder Engagement team was very different from the usual. Usually, we just meet with the GSE team and then say thank you very much and goodbye. But this was actually turned into an actual workshop session. So, not only did we have Sally Costerton, the VP for Global Stakeholder Engagement, and all of the local VPs including our very own Jean-Jacques Sahel and also Alexandra Kulikova, although on this occasion Alexandra didn't make it and instead we had our colleague, newly appointed colleague, from Moldova. Unfortunately, I forget her name but someone will remind me.

At the same time, we also had the regional Internet registry partners, and for us of course in Europe that included Chris Buckridge from RIPE and also a representative from CENTR. That was [Paulina Molia]. So, we basically worked together to try and find how we can work better together and one of these steps that is coming up and that was suggested is that our future General Assembly, our future funded General Assembly, which is likely to take place within the next five years, instead of taking place at an ICANN meeting might be taking place in another setting such as either a Regional Internet Registry meeting or a CENTR meeting or something else.

Now, as it happened, the way that things are done in Europe, it looks as though the best way would be to do it at a EuroDIG meeting. EuroDIG being the European IGF. So, that's what we are now taking as a starting point. Obviously, more discussion will take place around this suggestion

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but all of the different RALOs are looking at their own model of development on this. And our model seems to go through EuroDIG. More very soon on this. No doubt that our very own EURALO Working Group on Engagement, ALS engagement, will be discussing this in its future meetings, hopefully.

Then, immediately after that, we had the At-Large Regional Leadership meeting and there we talked about the RALO hot topics. One of the things that came out was they really need to be finalized very soon indeed. We did make – we, as in yours truly – made the promise that we were going to be finished with ours very soon. So, that's firmly on our agenda. There was a discussion on greater collaboration and communication between the RALOs and there was also some feedback on enhancing participation from RALOs regarding the preparation for ATLAS-3. I know that there are people from EURALO taking part in the different working groups of ATLAS-3 but I would really encourage you to follow a little more closely on these because that's the big thing that will take place in Montreal and I do hope that in our community there will be a lot of people selected to go to the At-Large Summit because that really is a great way to get involved and to be more actively involved and really understand ICANN. It's a lot easier to understand it once you've gone to an ICANN meeting rather than just being on the calls or participating remotely.

In the afternoon, At-Large Capacity Building session with Joanna who led us through a whole introduction on what they were working on. We had Brian Guterman who spoke about the ICANN registrant – well, provided a presentation about ICANN registrant program ... I don't even know actually the name of the presentation. It doesn't show on there.

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Then we had a quick discussion on RSSAC 101. RSSAC of course is the Root Server System Advisory Committee and Andrew McConachie came in to provide us with some details of what RSSAC does and how the root server system works. Then, we finally ended with a joint APAC and APRALO networking event. Another extremely long day.

From Wednesday to Thursday, things went a little faster because there were slightly fewer sessions. There was a meeting of the board and the ALAC. In my view, a very good meeting indeed. I'm not going to say much. Just watch the recording and I would really suggest that you do that. I think that the interaction between the board and the ALAC has improved over years and has now reached a point where there is much less talking to each other. There's talking with each other which is a lot better than it used to be. Or talking at each other in the past has now been replaced with talking with each other.

Now, the next thing after that was working group session preparing ourselves for the GAC, the meeting with the GAC. There was also a working group session with Jamie Hedlund, the new Senior Vice President of Contractual Compliance and some presentation as to what does compliance do. Then there was a big GAC and ALAC meeting that took place just before lunchtime with a possible ALAC and GAC statement on the Expedited Policy Development Process. Something that's quite interesting and I think that we have a small section in our agenda in a moment, so we're not going to touch on that.

Of course, the other discussion, the one that came specifically from EURALO was discussion about reaction to President Macron's IGF speech. The feedback that we received was actually feedback from the

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French representative on the GAC and not really wishing to comment on this [inaudible] because that's their president. But I think that the overall discussion with the GAC was also very positive.

Later in the afternoon, there was a joint AFRALO AfrICANN meeting as there is always during an ICANN meeting. And then there was an APRALO meeting as well, since the meeting was taking place in Kobe. In the past, quite a number of years ago, every RALO used to meet during an ICANN meeting but now usually only the hosting RALO meets face-to-face.

Then, finally, we had already on the Wednesday a leadership wrap-up with any ALAC action that was required. We had a discussion with Goran Marby, a discussion with Cherine Chalaby. Goran is of course the CEO of ICANN. Cherine Chalaby is the chairman of ICANN. So, that was quite interesting to have these people there and we asked those questions. Again, that's one of those sessions that I suggest you watch.

After that, late afternoon, the At-Large leadership policy workshop 3. More policy discussion. This was about challenges and possible At-Large opportunities regarding universal acceptance. You might have understood universal acceptance, that used to be something a little bit on the sidelines has now been put together as a strategic thing that ICANN needs to devote time and resources to. That said, it's partly due to Goran Marby having put his weight behind it, but I think also a lot is due to the work that was undertaken by our community in the IDN space and the requests that have been made again and again to say we need to make sure that universal acceptance works. Of course, that's

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not only that the domain names resolve but also that they're able to be input in web form, etc., which often is not the case.

I'm going to conclude with Thursday. There was a quick debrief, of course, and there was a face-to-face session of the cross-community working group on Internet governance with a discussion with the different global – sorry, the different board working group on Internet governance priorities and objectives for 2019 and some discussion, some light discussion, about other matters including the ICANN strategies moving forward when it comes to engagement with other organizations such as the ITU, etc.

Finally, the afternoon was the usual afternoon with a board session on overall governance of ICANN. It was an interesting one, actually, with a big debate about where ICANN is going and whether it should take on a different structure, etc.

After that, the ICANN Organization Executive Team came on stage in the big hall and they were grilled by the community. That was followed up with the ICANN board replacing the ICANN organization executive team and taking part in the public forum with finally the public board meeting.

Very, very long week and very, very long hours but full with a lot of stuff. I hope this has provided you with some start as to where you might be interested to watch some of these sessions if you've not been.

I open the floor for any comments and questions. I've taken a little more time than I thought I would. I apologize for that. Jean-Jacques Subrenat, welcome.

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JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Olivier. Good evening, all. Sorry for being late. A quick question to you, Olivier. Could you, just in a few words, say what was the interest of the early discussion on the tasks of ICANN. You mentioned some talk about possible change in the approach or purview of ICANN. Could you just say a few words about that?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Jean-Jacques. I'm going to have to defer to any others that were in the complete discussion. I missed part of it because I was engaged in the cross-community working group on Internet governance at the time when it began, so I missed part of the points. From what I heard, they were looking at fundamental changes into how ICANN works but more incremental changes of how things could be done better rather than – better than they currently are at the moment. So, that was the overall theme, if you want. At least that's my understanding of it having spoken to Brian Cute before the session was due to start. He was really looking at trying to get some discussion in the room for ICANN to think a little bit more strategically rather than just reactively to what goes on.

I note that Sébastien has put his hand up. Maybe Sébastien has managed to be part of the whole session and might have more information. Sébastien Bacholle?

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SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you very much, Olivier. It's interesting to follow this session, if you can. It was run by Brian Cute. He came with quite a long presentation and then with questions, [inaudible] participant or the people in the room. We have done two things. We have to answer a few questions and also there were outside of the room a list of topics and the people who wanted could put a cross nearby those ideas to see if there are more than one person who is interested in [inaudible] that.

It was, I will say, a [inaudible] on the community on that topic and really it will not [inaudible] if I give you a summary will really ... One of the sessions – I think you, specifically, Jean-Jacques, but others – could be interested in following. [inaudible] because you know this organization and you have written things around this issue a long time ago and not so long time ago again, and I think it could be well-informed and it will be useful for you and your participation will be also for us. Thank you.

Olivier Crepin-Leblond: Thank you very much, Sebastien. I think that because time is of the essence we're going to have to move on, but thanks for ... Well, I think that some of these sessions indeed are pretty important and it would be really great for everyone to watch and listen to. I understand that we've got links to the recordings. So, if you need any help, just ask staff and they'll send you a pointer. There should be a pointer to the ICANN pages all have now the recordings and the transcripts. And if you don't watch the full recording, then do a search through the transcripts. But I sometimes like watching the recording and forwarding through, especially since most of the recordings now have the [inaudible] as well

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which makes it a lot more entertaining than just hearing anonymous voices.

We're going to have to move on then to the output. The one output that is of importance or that is of note – of course, all outputs are of importance but the one that is of note is the joint statement between the ALAC and the GAC. There's a link in your agenda that is there. The ALAC and the GAC, thanks very much to Alan Greenberg, Hadia Elminiawi but also of course to the work of Yrjo Lansipuro, our liaison with the GAC. They came up with a very good ALAC/GAC statement and that was discussed during the session with the GAC (Government Advisory Committee). The GAC said that they were okay with it as well. They had a couple of concerns on a couple of points which I understand were scrubbed out of the statement, so you've got a one-pager that effectively says that the GAC and the ALAC aligned this position mostly or generally with the position of the Security and Stability Advisory Committee as expressed in SSAC 101 and SSAC 104.

So, if you're interested in this further, go and do a search for SSAC 101 and SSAC 104 that effectively looks at the importance of protecting the public interest and protecting ... Well, in the case of the SSAC, stability of the Internet and stability of the domain name system. I would think that just read through those. I think it's great to see an alignment of the GAC and the ALAC working together on these things. Yrjo Lansipuro, you have the floor. I apologize for not having given you the floor earlier.

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YRJO LANSIPURO:

Thank you. This statement was a second joint ALAC/GAC statement in a very short period which the previous one was in Abu Dhabi concerning the information, the small understandable information from ICANN. I see these statements as important not only for the [substance] but also as a demonstration of the sort of deepening relationship between the ALAC and the GAC because these are the two bodies that care – well, we care about end users, the GAC cares about citizens. But these are actually more or less the same.

The contents of this statement ... I mean, the [inaudible] is here, so I don't ... In the same time, I'm not going into that. I just want to mention that there was another outcome from the ALAC/GAC meeting. That is that we are going to start intersessional activities. That is to say there is interest in joint capacity building measures from both sides, so there are plans to start a small, I guess, [inaudible] joint working group. I use this opportunity actually to tell EURALO people about that. It's open. Anybody can join this effort. There are so far from ALAC side, Joanne and Tijani and Maureen and myself who are interested in this. Thank you, Olivier.

OIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much, Yrjo. We then now need to move to the next part which is the budget process. Wale Bakare, I understand you'd like to take us very briefly through a presentation of the budget process discussion that started for the next round at this ICANN meeting. Wale, you have the floor.

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WALE BAKARE: Thank you, Olivier. Can you hear me now? Hello?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, we can hear you, Wale. Go ahead.

WALE BAKARE: Thank you so much. Yes. So, this meeting, the EURALO Finance and Budget Subcommittee members, we attended the meeting and the meeting took place on Wednesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2019. So, the meeting was at 9:00 AM until 12:00 noon. We, actually, two [inaudible] members of the [inaudible] committee and Bastiaan Goslings and myself. Then, we actually, because the meeting was running in parallel with the At-Large and ICANN meeting, so we meet for part of the session, so about [inaudible] at the 10:00 AM meeting which was [inaudible] review time that we [inaudible] meeting.

So, what was discussed basically at the meeting was about the FY20 budget, then FY20 additional budget requests, then FY20 community comment overview, then two-year planning process and also the strategic planning process and the FY20 ICANN [inaudible]. Next slide, please.

The next slide. This was [inaudible] rolled out to the committee members, [inaudible] and the current expenses for the [inaudible] drafting of the FY20 budget. So, the review of FY17 actual was given out to the public and FY18 actual. Also, because we are still running the FY19 budget, the focus was actually given out to the public. Next slide, please.

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Then, the draft for FY20 budget overview. This was [inaudible] with regard to ICANN [inaudible] and then actually there was a kind of extensive discussion around this, around the head counts of ICANN because two community members raised questions with regards to the head counts and the salary of staff. The comment basically was about how the ICANN org has been dealing with the staff [inaudible] and salary [then in] correlation to the workload.

The response by the ICANN vice president which is a survey responded to that, what ICANN is trying to do with regard to that is ICANN is trying to find a balance between the efficiency and the work and the [inaudible] specifically mention about [inaudible]. So, why ICANN is trying to prioritize the work load and trying to see the way [inaudible] carry significant activities over the numbers of staff that have [inaudible]. So, that is about that. Next slide, please.

So, in the next slide it talks about the FY20 additional budget. Unfortunately, I know – I thanked Olivier for that [inaudible] already touched on this. The EURALO additional budget request, unfortunately, were not totally approved. We got only one proposal accepted. This proposal was the support participation of individual users in EURALO. This is the only proposal that was approved by this committee.

Then, the other two proposals that were rejected, unapproved, the Internet of Things and the increasing [inaudible] challenges ahead. These proposals were not approved. The second one that was not also approved is diversity in ICANN leadership bodies. That also was not approved. So, the RALO was only left with just one proposal.

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You can see on the slide the timeline starts of the kickoff of the discussion about the proposal and the [inaudible].

So, then, I think the next page now is just the final assessment and the recommendations by ICANN Org. After that, the approved [inaudible] now moved into the finance committee review and [inaudible] for approval to the board. Then, finally, the proposal will now be reviewed by the ICANN board and approved by the board as well. Next slide, please.

Then, the next slide, the discussion was quite extensive and there are so many views that came up with regard to the community comment clarification. So, the key theme here where it would [inaudible], like I said before, we'll have the financial management to then the budget development and structure. Then the other key topics include the ICANN headcount that I mentioned. Then the [inaudible] outreach and reserve fund. The discussions around this was just to ... What ICANN is trying to do [inaudible] five-year strategic plan in place which will address all these key themes discussed at the meeting. Next slide, please.

Then, this is the pie chart that indicates the breakdown of the comments and we can see that about 143 comments were received during the time when the public comment was open on ICANN finance and budget. The financial management [inaudible] about 20%, [inaudible]. The next one is the budget development process and the document [inaudible] and structures [inaudible] the next one which is [90%]. Then community support and funding, also [90%] as well. The community outreach and engagement program, that also has

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[inaudible]. And funding, [inaudible]. The ICANN Org headcount has [6%]. Then the policy development [inaudible] comments. The reserve fund has [30%]. GDPR, [30%]. And all of the comments received about [inaudible]. Next slide, please.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Wale, sorry for jumping in, but I note that you have 16 slides and we've gone through seven and we've already been now seven or eight minutes on this. We've got two minutes left until the end of this call, so I think we're going to have to speed up.

WALE BAKARE: Okay, thank you. I'll quickly go through them. Like I said before, this is the comments [inaudible] ICANN CFO [inaudible] comments mention about the [inaudible] common interest and what ICANN is trying to do in terms of balance the work, [inaudible] workload. Next slide, please.

The next slide, this is the two-year planning process put in place. This also explains why the [inaudible] and the planning process, the [inaudible]. The next step is about [inaudible] public place and the draft of this two-year planning process can also be read at the link.

So, EURALO report for this month, you have the full report. We put it in the link. We also published in two days' time. Next slide, please.

That is a continuation of the breakdown of the comments and themes that were received with regards to the two-year planning process. Next slide, please.

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This is also the breakdown with regards to the key takeaways. So, what is really important here is just for the public to know the SOs and ACs agreed to the two-year planning process by ICANN. So, we have [inaudible] the ALAC agreed on [inaudible] type of questions that are raised with regards to this two-year planning process. So, anybody [inaudible] whoever is interested in this, once we have this month's report published on Wiki page, you will have this full report be included in the report. You will have the time to read it because of the time. Next slide, please.

Then, this is the ICANN strategic planning process. The strategic planning process, with regard to the question three by Jean-Jacques Subrenat before. The strategic planning process includes the ICANN five-year operating and financial plan. The financial plan also is going to include the prioritization process ICANN is trying to put in place and the strategic objectives of the plan also included in this. This is not just only five-year financial plan. It's just about the [inaudible] new outlook of ICANN, what ICANN is trying to achieve with [inaudible].

So, I think this strategic planning process is [inaudible] community members should take our time to [inaudible] read the comments where we think we belong, what we think we are [inaudible] the community. We should be able to make comments there. I think this is very important [inaudible] partake in. Next slide, please.

The process of this strategic plan process – planning process, rather. At the moment, the [inaudible] identification has been completed. The [inaudible] which is prioritization [analysis]. Then the third phase, drafting our strategic plan [inaudible].

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So, the next phase, which is phase four, is a process which is finalization of the strategic plan. There is a link that I'm going to also provide in EURALO monthly report where everybody can also read a report about the strategic plan. Next slide, please.

This is the chart which [inaudible] draft of FY20 budget funds on the management. So, we can see the difference [inaudible] management. We can see that [inaudible] with regard to auction proceeds [inaudible] million dollars at the moment. The new gTLD [inaudible] million dollars and the reserve funds have been pushed to \$121 million at the moment. The operating [inaudible] ICANN for the FY20 draft budget at \$30 million. So, compared to the FY19 forecast, you can see that on the left side of the chart. Next slide, please.

The ICANN FY20 [inaudible]. This is just about giving out the [inaudible] with regard to legacy TLDs and new TLDs. The [inaudible] base fee on the [inaudible] type. Then we have the [inaudible] base fees as well. The estimate, the best estimate, on the second column. Then the [estimate] as well in the third one. So, it's just [inaudible] try to giving out the assumption based on the ICANN funds. Next.

Then, we have the registrar accreditation. Then, also, new gTLD program. These are the assumptions given out with regards to the FY20 draft budget. Next slide, please.

Any questions? Thank you.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Wale. Thanks for your presentation. I don't think we have time for questions, but what I would suggest is if anybody has questions regarding the budget planning process that they address them to you and copy the EURALO mailing list so we can all have the questions and your responses.

Thanks very much, Maureen, for joining us. I understand it is the top of the hour. It's past the top of the hour. I received a little time for extension from staff that will allow us to at least touch on the remaining points on our agenda.

When it comes down to the budget planning process and preparation process, there is one thing that I do need to add which is the IGF. Although EURALO was not funded – and I don't think that anyone was actually funded for this – we might be having some funds to send someone since this is our region, to send someone to the meeting in Berlin. This is taking place during the second half of the year and there are now two ways. There's CROP on one side, although I haven't read anything about CROP for this year. But there is the discretionary budget request where this amount has now been increased. And this is funding that each RALO may make use of for being able to use to either send someone somewhere or to set up an event, etc.

So, in any case, we have that increase and we were able to do this and I think that one of the things that we have is to help out or lead on the preparation for the IGF in Berlin and that includes the booth and things like that.

Heidi, you had your hand up. I've just seen you put your hand down.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Just very quickly. I'm sorry to take time. Very quickly. The additional budget request for fiscal year 20 has not yet been approved, [inaudible] next month, two months. So, we should [inaudible]. The big request was for RALO discretionary funding be increased to [inaudible] \$6000 per RALO in addition [inaudible].

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Heidi, you're breaking up.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I'm sorry. I hope that will allow some people to go to the IGF and also the CROP funding could allow you to go to the IGF as well.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Heidi, could you repeat the number? In typical breaking up fashion, you said it was going to be increased to ... I'm not sure what that was.

HEIDI ULLRICH: \$6000.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: \$6000 per RALO now.

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HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah, from the current \$4000. So, it's a couple of trips more. But do keep in mind that this is a full week. This is a five-day IGF, not the three-day that was this past year. So, that will take a little bit more expenses as well. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Heidi. In the interest of time, let's continue this discussion on the mailing list and move on with our agenda. We still have a number of items here. I think that an important one is an update now from Sébastien Bachollet on his recent trip to Bordeaux where he was there to support the EURALO application to observe a membership at CENTR. CENTR being the European country code top-level domain organization that we signed an MoU with at the IGF last year in Paris. Sébastien, you have the floor.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. I will try to be short. I think to jump to the conclusion, I didn't [succeed] to have the CENTR recognizing EURALO as an observer to the CENTR.

One of the reasons is that they have [inaudible] and they have decided that for new membership or new observer they need to have more than half of the members, not of the participants, to [inaudible]. That means that absent of the negative vote or the abstention where [inaudible] against the fact that we joined. In fact, the participant of the AGM was roughly around ATLAS I, ATLAS II and three or four abstained. Therefore, we are not observers.

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I think we are, [as of last meeting], in the middle of some internal dispute in CENTR. In fact, the consequences are [inaudible]. I don't think that they are not seeing something against us. The fact that nobody was [inaudible], the board of CENTR was agreeing with the fact that we become observers, but at the end of the day, we are not.

The suggestion is to have a call with the leadership, CEO, and the president, the chair of CENTR and see what will be next because we can still go and spend money to go to each AGM to become an observer, but if we are not, we [lose our time].

But as a consequence of that, I think the next one who will be participating needs to be very well prepared [inaudible] because one of the main issues I think was what it will be useful for CENTR to have EURALO as an observer. It will be a bit [strange], the question. [inaudible] but it seems [inaudible], and therefore the next one who will be there needs to come with some good answer to this question. I hope that it's useful and sorry [not to succeed] in being [inaudible] to EURALO as an observer in CENTR. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien. And thank you for taking on the task to go down to [inaudible] to support our application. I understand that this has gotten you to shorten your time in Japan and you flew in directly from Osaka to Paris to Bordeaux just to get into this disappointing meeting.

I think that as an action item I shall personally follow-up with the CEO of CENTR and we will see what our next steps forward could be on this and how we can avoid this type of result in the future.

In the meantime, I just remind you all we do have an MoU with CENTR and [Paulina Molaya], the representative from CENTR was present during our last meeting, during the meeting that I mentioned about in ICANN. So, we have a good relationship with the leadership and there just seems to be some kind of a discrepancy in how things work there but I'm sure we'll work things out. Sebastien Bachollet?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sorry, Olivier, just to add one small point. We need to also take care of [inaudible] meeting to be in the room at the time of the vote. There are among the ccTLDs, I guess three ex-members of the EURALO board and one of them at least was in the room for the vote. Therefore, we need to take care of the [inaudible] process and we have to do the things [as an election]. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this, Sebastien. Let's go swiftly through the rest of the agenda. First, the update on the EURALO bylaws taskforce. There are still discussions going on on the mailing list. We are crossing the Ts and dotting the Is. A couple of small points being made in there based on the feedback that was received. The main point being the member – sorry, being a legal person versus a natural person and whether we should replace this by organization rather than legal person.

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Apart from this, our next steps will be for this final version to be shared with the EURALO membership and then for a vote to take place. So, that's a quick update on the EURALO bylaws taskforce.

The EURALO hot topics, as I mentioned earlier, have to be finalized fairly soon. Could I please ask everyone on the call to have a look through the document? It's nearly complete. We've added one more hot topic in there which was the one about Macron's speech. We've worded it in a slightly different way which effectively expands to the question on the future of Internet governance multi-lateral versus multi-stakeholder. The document would benefit from a little bit of polishing up, so if you could please go through it in your own time, the link to the Google doc is there. Wale Bakare, you have the floor.

WALE BAKARE:

Thank you, Olivier. With regards to the EURALO hot topics, let me first say a very big thank you to [inaudible] for bringing up that topic with regard to the Macron speech. I think he captured the topics that I think will be [inaudible] continue to be a very [hot one] in the next 10-15 years. So, [inaudible] we just need to change ... Let me check. I'm not sure [inaudible] has been changed to the challenges ahead for Internet governance. That [inaudible] everything that we might think of, even with regards to any imagined innovations that we might think of. I think [inaudible] to look into that and we will try to integrate the reports sent by [inaudible] read out at the ICANN 64 meeting. We'll need to include that. Although part of the draft has been included in the hot topics but we just need to ensure that it captures the key aspects of that topic itself. Thank you.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much for this, Wale. I note that we need to continue moving on. I'm not seeing any other hands. So, let's continue. That was the hot topics. Indeed, we've got that new section in there. One section was deleted since our last meeting. That was the Freedom of Expression DNS AI and Fake News. That was deemed to be outside the scope of ICANN as such. But we did keep balancing privacy and security and the last part of the ICANN mandate when it comes down to the top-level domains and to the systems identifier, and obviously human rights remained in there as well. I'd like to thank Joanna for having populated that section.

Anyway, we haven't got much time to discuss this at all. I would suggest, please, look at it online. Let's beat this hot topic document within the next few weeks into shape and then we can present it to the other RALOs during the next cross-RALO call.

Finally, the ATLAS III. A very quick update. None of the working groups of the ATLAS III met at ICANN. What we did have, though, were a few meetings of the leadership group on the topics and a few discussions that took place. Currently, two main pieces of work. On the one side, the leadership selection committee – sorry, leadership design team I think it was called has put together a way to select people to go to ATLAS III. There's a whole points-based system that includes points for attending calls for being involved but also for following a capacity building program on ICANNLearn, [inaudible] learn.icann.org. It's a very interesting system as well with some webinars and various courses and so on to be followed.

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Those webinars and those courses have been put together by another group taking some already existing webinars and courses and also adding some new ones. So, that's one preparation group, the capacity building group. Then there's also another subgroup which is putting together the program. And as I mentioned earlier, David Cole from Insight Learning will be helping with putting together a program and the community will be asked to build some case studies for the community to take part in when they meet in Montreal.

Then, finally, the schedule is still changing so we haven't got real interest in having much of a link to the latest schedule because it's likely to change. But we're likely to have a mix of both plenaries and workshop sessions.

So, it's all coming together slowly. What I would like just to say regarding this is to watch out for the announcements that are going to come up. You will have to apply if you want to go and travel to ATLAS III and you will need to also be actively doing things in the run-up with your application, because on one side, the application will be taken into account. What you say in the application will be important, but the tracking with your involvement with At-Large and eagerness to do things and so on is equally as important.

I do have to remind you that we have over 200 At-Large Structures but there are only 60 seats available there. So, it's going to be something where not everyone is going to be able to make it there.

Then, let's finally go to ... Oh, I see Wale. Is that an old hand or is that a new one?

WALE BAKARE: It's a new one.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Wale Bakare?

WALE BAKARE: Just a quick one. With regards to ATLAS III, there were discussions that [inaudible] questions were raised with regard to the [inaudible] about 60 people to be sponsored to this ATLAS III and because there were questions with regards to the selection of the 60 people then and later on the ALAC and leadership came up with that, they did discuss about this and [inaudible] each RALO will have ten people. Then the remaining ten people [inaudible] have about five regions. Five times ten is 50 people. Then the remaining ten people would be determined by the ICANN leadership or [inaudible].

My question is this. Since this [inaudible] consolidated yet or is there any way to [inaudible] ten people that will be sponsored by each RALO, how will EURALO go about this? [inaudible] about the mandatory [inaudible] at ICANNLearn or it's just the ten people who have to go through that ICANNLearn process? I just want to find out whether there has been any kind of follow-up for the discussion we had at ICANN 64 meeting about the [inaudible] that will be [inaudible]. Thank you.

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much for this, Wale. I don't have the answer for you, unfortunately. I'm not sure who does because Maureen Hilyard has left us. Can we just bank this question and find out? I know there's a meeting later on this week that will take place, the ATLAS III organizing team. So, they'll probably be able to let us know then how this fellowship will take place. Sebastian Bachollet, maybe you know?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: No, I don't have the answer but I think the question raised by Wale is very important. We need to know how the people will be selected. But I want to [inaudible] here in EURALO because I think maybe people from EURALO will follow me on that [inaudible]. I hate the fact that we will be tracked. I think it's something we need to avoid. We need to enhance people, not track people. I'm sorry if you [inaudible] but it's not what I hoped. When [inaudible] ATLAS II, it was more to bring people together, to discuss together, not to be selected and having a tracking system to be sure that they will come and say the right thing or do the right thing. I am very, very concerned the way this is [inaudible] now.

And to add one point, yes, 60 people will travel but we already said the people ATLAS [inaudible] NomCom and so on and so forth. Therefore, it will be much more people than just 60. We need to [inaudible] and all of them will not become a leader. It's not possible. They are also there to participate in great ideas. I will stop here because we have no time but I really think that – I hope that sometime At-Large will come back to some reality of the world. Maybe it's my yellow jacket friends environment. [inaudible] I am really concerned with the way that things are going on that ATLAS III. Thank you. I'm sorry [inaudible].

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OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien. Since we are running out of time, let's move into any other business. For this, we have Natalia Filina who will speak to us about developments with the EURALO Individual Association, the way that EURALO uses to include individual users in EURALO's membership. Natalia Filina, you have the floor.

NATALIA FILINA: Hello, everyone. Can you hear me?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. Perfectly well. Yes, go ahead.

NATALIA FILINA: Oh, great. Thank you, Olivier. Natalia Filina speaking on behalf of the board of Individuals Association. Just I think one minute of your attention. So, we now have a new strategic vision. We decided to establish the EURALO Individuals Involvement Working Group according to decision of the board and after consulting the membership of our association.

I'll just highlight our association has now 49 members and 6 observers. I wanted to know that the charter will be complete this [midnight] and we will be able to [show you it] later.

Now let me present our main idea and our goal about this document. Our [proposals] are the improvement, the interaction, awareness,

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[efficiency], and involvement of the membership [inaudible] all of our activities. To encourage membership, to engage in the main discussion, and policy process of EURALO and ALAC.

[inaudible] about our task to begin. We are going to update the list of our members including the [inaudible] in connection with our hot topics and of [inaudible] of EURALO. This list will include the links to our ICANN Wiki or our expression of interest pages and [inaudible] will include the information about related organization which [are] members present.

Now we are going to create a calendar of our activities in which individuals can become involved as well as different events that they plan to attend with [inaudible] details about their presence and [inaudible] and links to this event for [inaudible].

We will look for a balance between the level of [inaudible] of this information and privacy, and most likely some of the information will be for internal use only.

After the [inaudible] of our charter, we will determine the [inaudible] and the process to update this information. We assure that we will find a way to get contribution from our members on a voluntary basis from everyone.

We will [inaudible] on the update of our website and going to fill it by more useful information including links to EURALO and At-Large social media.

I am a member of the subcommittee on outreach and engagement. I can see many [cross points] in our activities and I think we should use

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our current resources and coordinate our strategies and goals in this work. I think that is the way we find the [inaudible] to consolidate and enhance our community.

In all of this action, we see one big [inaudible] to create [inaudible] and easy transfer of information to you for support [the next two weeks] our current members and welcome you [inaudible] in EURALO and give them a guidebook in maybe a week and [inaudible] about the [real guidebook] for efficiency and [inaudible] involvement. I guess we may provide this information [inaudible] different events – for example, IGF – in which we may be present.

In the [inaudible], we may suggest to [inaudible] this experience to other [RALOs] [inaudible] the number of individuals [inaudible].

I cannot now give you more details and I cannot take your time anymore now, and following the publication of our charter of our working group, we are welcome to your advices and maybe input or questions or maybe new members to our working group. Thank you very much for your attention.

Olivier Crepin-Leblond: Thank you very much, Natalia. We have Jean-Jacques Subrenat in the queue.

Jean-Jacques Subrenat: Thank you, Olivier. I'd like to thank Natalia for making this presentation. Two quick words. The purpose of this group is really to work together with the group which is led by Yrjo at the level of EURALO. It is not a

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competitive element with this group. It is really [inaudible] with this group because we felt the need to ensure a better articulation between our membership and the wider membership of EURALO.

As Natalia mentioned, there is a deadline which is tonight midnight UTC for the approval of the charter by the members of that working group and we will inform our membership but also EURALO chair and board about the composition of this working group and the approval of the charter which we will send also. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Jean-Jacques, and really well done to the EURALO Individuals to organize themselves and put together a group like this. I'm really looking forward to the good relationship and collaboration with Yrjo's lead of the EURALO Working Group on ALS engagement.

So, plenty of things going on for everyone. I'm really sorry that we are 34 minutes beyond the official end of our call but I hope that today's call was very interesting for all of you. I still have to ask is there any other other business?

Well, I guess that's all for tonight, then. So, thanks, everybody, for being on the all. Thank you to staff for having extended and allowing us to extend the call for another half-an-hour. It's been a great call and thanks to all of you for remaining behind for this full 90 minutes. This call has now ended. Speak to you next week – sorry, next week, what am I saying? Next month. Or indeed next week or next few days for either the Consolidated Policy Working Group or some of the other

work that is taking place. And certainly let's speak in the next minute on our EURALO mailing list.

Thanks, everyone. This call is ended. Have a very good night.

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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