
MICHELLE DESMYTER: Good morning, good afternoon, good evening, welcome to the EURALO Monthly Call on Tuesday, the 16th of April, 2019, at 18:00 UTC. On today's call today we have Anne Marie Joly, Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Sebastien Bachollet, Lianna Galstyan, Yrjo Lansipuro, Roberto Gaetano, Matthias Hudobnik, Natalia Filina. Apologies noted from Annette Muhlberg. From Staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, Andrea Glandon, and myself, Michelle DeSmyter 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 background noise. Thank you. And over to Olivier.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Michelle, Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. Welcome everybody for this EURALO Monthly call that is going to be busy as it usually is. We'll start with a review of our action items from previous calls, then we'll be looking at the ALAC Public Consultations, there are a number of them together, they're all currently in hand, but we need to have some input from our region in these. After that we'll have the Fiscal Year 19 CROP slot and upcoming regional events, FY19, which is now, basically this

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year. We'll be looking at EURODIG and SEEDIG as potential upcoming regional events.

After this we'll have an update on the work of the EURALO Bylaws Task Force, hopefully one of the last times we are looking at this, it seems to be a regular occurrence now. After that, surprise, EURALO hot topics, and after that there is another Atlas III update, 10 minutes on that. After that, we'll have Sébastien Bachollet who will be able to speak to us about ATRT 3 with apologies to Sébastien, I think I haven't emailed you, but I know you're on the call, so you've got your advance notice. We will then be looking briefly at the upcoming 2019 EURALO Elections, just to provide you with the process, and then after that we'll have any other business, and that's probably going to take us to at least the end of the hour, if not a little bit later. Is there any additional business or any amendments to make to this agenda?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier, this is Heidi.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, I would like to introduce a new Staff person who is actually running the call. May I go ahead and just briefly introduce Michelle?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Well, Heidi, you've followed all the protocol, you've put your hand up, you've asked for the floor, I guess you may. Go ahead, Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you so much, Olivier. Hello everyone, I would like to take this opportunity to present Michelle Desmyter. She is going to be coming and joining the At-Large team. She comes from the GNSO Support, so has been well trained, and we're going to train her even more. Michelle, would you like to just say a few words?

MICHELLE DESMYTER: Hi, thanks Heidi. Hello, everyone. I am very excited to join the At-Large team. I have started with the GNSO and I've been with the GNSO for a few years now, and worked with the GDD side, as well as the universal acceptance, and back to the GNSO, and now I have the pleasure of working in At-Large. So, I'm very excited to work and meet all of you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Michelle. Go ahead, Olivier, I'll put my hand down.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Heidi, and thank you, Michelle, and welcome Michelle, I gather it's your first EURALO call, so welcome to your first EURALO call. You'll get addicted to those after a while, well, I hope you will, and come back regularly. So, I'm not seeing any other hands up at the moment so the agenda is adopted as it currently is displayed on your screen, and we need to speedily move along if we'll ever finish.

So, first are the action items from our last two calls, the call in February and the call in March. The call in February is still listed because the two action items are still there, to do with the hot topic document and the bylaws document. So that's still in our minds and we will be dealing with this a little bit later on the call today. With regards to the March action items, these have been undertaken. I've followed up with the CEO of CENTR regarding the next steps of EURALO/CENTR relations.

As you remember, Sébastien Bachollet went to their annual general meeting and unfortunately the votes did not go as expected due to various factors. So we're following up with the CEO of CENTR and finding out what are our next steps with regards to EURALO's observer membership with CENTR. Bearing

in mind we've already got an MOU signed with CENTR, we'll see how we can now get this observership thing, as well.

And then, of course, following up with Maureen on the process to be used for the selection of ATLAS III participants. I am glad to announce that the selection process is going to have a panel of people that will be dealing with whole selection thing; let's not go into detail, because it's quite involved, but we've had a volunteer to be on this panel and it's Wale Bakare. I've talked this through the EURALO Board and there hasn't been any negative feedback, everybody is supportive, so Wale will be the name that we'll be sending to Maureen Hilyard, as he will be part of the selection team.

And of course, one of the difficulties with someone on that selection team is that it needed to be somebody who was neither involved with the design of the selection process nor without a travel slot; the problem being that the people who are on the team will not qualify for travel.

We can move then to the review of the current and upcoming ALAC Public Consultations. There are, as usual, a number of them, none recently ratified by the ALAC. As you know we've just left an ICANN meeting last month in Kobe and we actually had a EURALO call immediately after that. So the ones that we currently have in the pipeline are the Proposed Renewal of the .biz Registry Agreement, the Proposed Renewal of the .info Registry

Agreement, the Proposed Renewal of the .org Registry Agreement, and that for .asia Registry Agreement.

What is clearly in common with these four public comments is that they all deal with proposed renewal agreements, surprise, surprise. So the ALAC has decided to have two separate statements or two separate segments to the statements, one more general on all the proposed renewal of registry agreements, and another one pertaining specifically to .asia and perhaps if the other .org, .biz, and .info have anything specific to them, relating specifically to those, as well. We're still in drafting stage. The deadline for the earliest ones are the 29th of April, 2019. I don't believe we actually have text already, no, there is no text yet submitted for discussion.

However, what I would suggest is that you spend some time reading those renewals, well, the org, biz, and info are very similar to each other, have a look at those. The one which has so far had the most number of responses, I think, has been the .asia one, and that's where the action has been happening. And then this will then permeate to the other statements, as well. There are a number of changes that are perhaps too numerous for us to go into detail. But one of the big things with many of them is the ending of this price cap that registries had.

Remember, registries run the database, registrars are the people that sell the domain names to the end users either directly or via

agents. The registries for at least .org, .biz, and .info have had a price cap, a set amount that they can ask from registrars, and they want this lifted. So that might have some negative consequences for end users. Other points are being made with regards to charging.

Well, as I said, it would take too much time to go into detail to go into this, but I will certainly open the floor for those ALAC members that have been following this more closely, or even non-ALAC members, for those people on the call that have been following this more closely than I have.

The other big thing, that's a much shorter deadline, because it's reached the voting stage, is the Generic Names Supporting Organization Expedited Policy Development Process otherwise known as GNSO EPDP on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Policy Recommendations for ICANN Board Consideration. Aren't we happy we don't have interpreters on this call, because that's quite a mouthful for a name of a public consultation. The 17th of April is the close of the public comment.

Alan Greenberg and Hadia Elminiawi who are the two representative of the ALAC on the Expedited Policy Development working group, the EPDP working group have produced a very intricate set of comments and points specifically pertaining to the issues with the ALAC felt might have not been dealt with properly during Phase 1 or were deemed to be dealt with in Phase 2, and

sort of focusing on these so that they don't fall between the cracks and they end up neither being dealt in Phase 1 nor being dealt in Phase 2.

Phase 1, if I may remind you all, was effectively the ability to replace the temporary specification which ICANN had put together in haste when the General Data Protection Regulation, the GDPR regulations came into effect. So as for who is not to actually break these European regulations. That had a one year lifetime, the working group worked night and day, and even more, for the most of seven months, eight months, finished, completed this work before Kobe, sent it over to the Board and it is currently in front of the Board. The Board opened up the public consultation.

So now the ALAC advice is going to be arriving at the ICANN Board and the ICANN Board will have a few weeks to choose what to incorporate, what not to incorporate, how to amend any of the recommendations, and so on, and then pass it, so then it becomes, not a temporary specification, but a full specification with implementation following immediately afterwards. Phase 2 are some of the issues that couldn't be dealt with in Phase 1 because of the restricted amount of time. Phase 1 was particularly focusing on the actual data itself in the database that was being collected.

Phase 2 is going to focus a lot on the actual access to this data, who has what access to this data, what accreditation is required, and a number of other issues, particularly important and cutting edge work, if you're interested in this. And of course, being located in Europe, you should be particularly interested in this, then please have a good look. It's quite a big statement and there has been a lot of discussion on the ALAC about this. In fact, I'll open the floor for discussion here. Sébastien Bachollet.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sébastien Bachollet speaking. I hope that you can hear me okay, I am in a very noisy environment, I am on the road and I stopped by a place to have wifi to be able to connect, but it is very noisy. I wanted to have a chat with the members of EURALO about what to vote on that proposal, and I guess I am the only one from ALAC on the call. I don't think Bastiaan is with us and I don't see Joanna, either.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Olivier speaking. Bastiaan has sent in apologies, I think, for today's call, and Joanna I don't see her either. Alright, go ahead.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: It would have been good, however. But Bastiaan said that he has disagreements on the contents of the proposal and I have more

disagreement on the way we are working on that issue. Therefore, I am still open to what I will vote, because I am not sure what to do. First of all, I don't think that it's good idea to have that specific topic to be the first advice to the Board since a long time. I have the impression it's more a question of how we deal within the EPDP working group and out comments are taken to advise the EPDP and I understand that we are in disagreement with the way some topics advise the EPDP, but I'm not sure it's a good time to say I need the Board to intervene in our discussion.

And second, I have the impression that the ALAC itself is not really listening to the discussion about this topic. For example, I said that it's not a good idea that it's the same people who make the comments on the EPDP Phase 1, who are participating to Phase 2, who are writing this advice to the Board. Because people outside of At-Large will think that we are mad, we are saying one thing in a group, one thing outside of the group, and one thing to the Board, and that's not good.

Therefore, I am asking what we need to do. I can't force the ALAC leadership to take into account all that, but at the same time, I am not happy with that. Therefore, I was asking myself to abstain, like Bastiaan said that he will. But I will be happy to have your feedback on this. Thank you. I hope it's clear, it's not just that question.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien. Your voice is coming out very clear, and what you're explaining, I think it's quite clear, as well. But I'm not seeing any other hands up. Can everybody else hear Sébastien well? I hear Matthias says can you hear Seb, I certainly can hear him, I heard him very well. Are there any comments or questions regarding this? Sébastien, it's Olivier speaking. What I would suggest is perhaps, because of the deadline being so short, that perhaps you get in touch with both Bastiaan and with Joanna and check with them.

I know that Bastiaan is going to be, he has asked me, and he is going to be abstaining because he has a disagreement with one of the points which is to do with making the geographic distinction between people that are based in Europe and people that are based outside of Europe. So that is one of the points which the ALAC is asking for, which Bastiaan thinks it's better to have a uniform privacy protection for all registrars, not just the ones that are in Europe. So, that's one, and the other flash point was to do of course with the difference person and legal person, and that's again a big discussion that would probably take a long time to deal. Christopher Wilkinson, you have the floor.

CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON: Just a quick sec to say that I support Sébastien's general comment. Nearly two years ago ALAC produced again on the [inaudible] and they did say, as far as I know, ALAC supported that

ICANN should pursue global best practice privacy policy. It seems that ALAC has been rowing back from that position in recent months and I think that's a mistake. ICANN should not be just jumping up and down in response to the GDPR and trying to produce a minimalist solution that only applies to European registrars.

That's completely inappropriate. ICANN should have an independent privacy policy which should be global best practice insofar as GDPR is pursued by many as the model for global practice, so be it. That's certainly not the primary consideration. There will be other policies where global best practice will be initiated and advocated by other interest groups and other stakeholders. So, I support Sébastien on that. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Christopher. Are there any other comments about this topic or any of the policy topics, indeed. I'm not hearing anyone else. So Sébastien you have an action item, I guess, for you to check with Bastiaan and Joanna and coordinate between yourselves, and then it really is going to be your choice, I guess. I see there is support on this call from Christopher Wilkinson, I'm not sure, I'm not seeing any other comments related to this. So take it at face value as it is.

Alright, well, thank you for this. Then we can move forward and we can now look at the FY19, Financial Year '19, which is the current financial year ending on the 30th of June, 2019. FY20 starts on the 1st of July '19 and goes until the 30th of June, 2020. We've got, as you can see on the agenda, links to the EURALO Workspace for CROP Community Regional Outreach Program, and this is a program where we had three different slots to send people to perform outreach at various events outside of the ICANN, well, outside of the immediate ICANN sphere.

This year is a little different, there are only three slots, there were five in previous years, and one of the three slots had to be used for a trip to an ICANN meeting, where the person receiving the slot is able to go and perform outreach. So, in the first slot, the first trip, we sent Sandra Hoferichter to go over to the ICANN meeting in Barcelona. The next slot was the one that we used with Natalia Filina, if I understand correctly, just checking this, yes, who came over to Paris for the Internet Governance Forum in November. She did a fantastic job over there at the booth and helping out with a lot of things. And now we have one last slot that is remaining.

Now, that being said, just the CROP side of things, the RALO also has access to discretionary funds which is a small amount of money that it can allocate towards incidentals, reimbursement for short trips, and perhaps a few hotel nights, on activities related to

outreach throughout the region. And this has been used for several things in the past. One of them has been Sébastien's trip to Bordeaux so as to be able to go and put forward EURALO's view and press for application. But there is still some funds remaining in that.

The problem with both CROP and this discretionary funding is that both of them require quite some amount, several weeks, in order to be processed, so we need to forecast things quite early. The Outreach Strategic Plan that we've had, that was drafted last year, gave a list of the events that one could cover and recent discussion with the Board of EURALO, a couple of people suggested, and in fact also with the outreach and engagement task force of EURALO, had some feedback saying, well, maybe we should use some the discretionary funds or this CROP to go over to the RIPE meeting that takes place in Reykjavik.

Now, that being said, Bastiaan responded and said actually he is already funded to go to Reykjavik. So in some way, bearing in mind, it is expensive to go to Iceland, it's not exactly at the center of Europe or a short flight away, because it wasn't in our outreach plan, it probably is a good thing that we can just have Bastiaan take on a position there, taking a few brochures with him, and helping out with outreach in Iceland. But in the meantime, the two events that we have already put some application for or that we've listed in our outreach was the European Dialogue on

Internet Governance, the EURODIG, and the other one was the Southeastern Europe Dialogue on Internet Governance, the SEEDIG.

Now in the past, we have sent some people to EURODIG. I don't believe we've ever sent someone either a CROP or discretionary funding to SEEDIG. And so this is the question that we have at the moment. The one that we need to really look at very quickly is the SEEDIG, Southeastern Europe Dialogue on Internet Governance. There are two people that have so far expressed their interest in going there. One of them was Matthias Hudobnik, and the other one was Nenad Marinkovic. And the EURALO Board is currently deliberating on what our plans are, and the way to move forward on this.

So, I think I just wanted to let you all know that this is what is going on. If there are any other people who are interested in going and being our ambassadors at any of these events. So, both EURODIG and SEEDIG, and at that point, please let us know, because at the moment it's not like we've got tons and tons of people volunteering for these trips, but at the same time it's really helpful to have a panel of people that are able to go.

Did I just see from Matthias that he doesn't want to go to SEEDIG? Was that it? I don't know, really. Matthias? The CROP slot, because it requires more advanced time, the CROP slot will be

used for EURODIG and the discretionary funding will be used for SEEDIG. Matthias Hudobnik?

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: Hello, Matthias Hudobnik, can you hear me?

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

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: As you know I was just not sure whether there was already [inaudible]. I said that I would be able to attend the meeting, but I wasn't sure if there was already a decision made or not, that's why I said I don't know.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: I was hoping that there would be a decision by the call today, unfortunately, I haven't seen any feedback with the EURALO Board. I shall be following up immediately after this call and asking for their input. Now, that being said, Matthias, there is also the next agenda item, which is actually a sub item for this, which is Looking forward at FY20 Outreach events: IGF Berlin. And what I do understand is that you have, you're pretty much in charge of the EURALO table. For instance, you have filed a request for the At-Large table in Berlin. Matthias?

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: Yes, you're right. I filed a request for our booth, but I haven't heard anything, so we will see. The deadline should be until the 11th of April, so we will see. Normally they should come to update immediately.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks for this Matthias, thank you. So that's one announcement. Now the next thing is Agenda Item 5, Update of EURALO Bylaws task Force. The EURALO bylaws are an ongoing work that has taken place in its own working group, and I think that we're reaching pretty much the end of a long, long tunnel to build those bylaws. And most, if not all the input that was discussed was brought forward and there were just a few additional points which were added, which Staff had suggested, which Silvia has suggested, actually, with regards to, let me just see, oh, I thought I had left it in green, ah, here with go, it is in green, there we are.

Looking at Membership. So, you all must have a link to the EURALO Bylaws Google doc that is currently in the agenda page, and if you scroll down to #7 Membership, I'm not seeing anybody going in the Google doc, are you having problem with the Google doc?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier?

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, this is Heidi, just to let you know that you may wish to go back to 4.1 on the agenda which is Looking forward to FY20 Outreach events.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, well, I have, I've touched on that and I went very quickly, with Matthias in charge of the table.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Ah, sorry, that was very quickly, okay. Thank you. I missed that.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: I'm trying not to be late on this call, I probably will fail, but there you go. There is a link, by the way, just talking about the outreach event in Berlin, there is a link to a Wiki page which talks about all of the potential outreach events that will take place. So you can all look at this, it's all being populated slowly, and I hope that because this is taking place in Berlin, we will have plenty of other volunteers who will be able to both sign up for the booth, but also

be able to travel in Berlin, even for our At-Large structures and members of our base in Berlin, I hope they will take an integral part in being able to host this and perhaps have local activities.

And if you do not know about any of this at the moment, I would invite you to join our outreach and engagement working group, not just the EURALO one, but also the At-Large outreach and engagement working group, because that's the one that is currently working to build a whole agenda and all of the different activities that will take place. That will be in November 2019. I see two hands now, I'm not sure whether they are old hands. First is Matthias Hudobnik.

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: Hello, Matthias Hudobnik again. I just want to quickly follow up, will definitely plan with Natalia, maybe email and if you're interested to make some outreach at the booth, but we just discussed with her that we wait until we have acceptance of the booth, and then maybe we can also have where maybe some RALOs are able to sign and also make some potential outreach which are located in Germany. So I think this would be good opportunity.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Excellent, thank you Matthias. Heidi Ullrich?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, Olivier, it is my understanding that Maureen had asked that Matthias and EURALO lead the activities for the 2019 IGF in Berlin, and then work with the subcommittee in outreach and engagement. So again, she is looking towards you to develop the plan first and then work with the subcommittee in outreach and engagement. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Heidi. I don't feel targeted, I think it's Matthias who is in charge of that, that's what I meant earlier. Matthias did file the request for the table and I think he will be able to coordinate as our person on the outreach and engagement working group, to be able to do this. Matthias?

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: Yes, sorry, can you hear me again?

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

MATTHIAS HUDOBNIK: I just want to quickly comment on Heidi's comment. It is true, I sent the request, and we are trying to get some RALOs involved in

some booth activities. But if I understood it correct, it was just regarding the booth.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you for this, Matthias. Heidi, I think we need to have clarification on this, whether it's EURALO as a whole, because if it's EURALO as a whole, I'm tempted to send it to our working group on ALS engagement and if the members of the At-Large working group on outreach and engagement, then I guess that remains within the outreach and engagement working group.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, thank you Olivier. There is a call of the subcommittee in outreach and engagement coming up I believe next week. So I could suggest that that's added to the agenda. Thank you

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you. Now, moving forward to the bylaws. We have a link to the Google doc and if you scroll down to #7 Membership, there are just some small changes with regards admission of members, and also decertification, termination of membership. And the reason being, and this is just the way that process goes, it's not actually EURALO that admits members. EURALO receives an application, produces a recommendation to the ALAC on whether this applicant should be allowed to join EURALO and then should

become an At-Large structure or not. And then it's for the ALAC to look at the application, for them to vote.

And there have been some cases where the RALO has provided one piece of advice and the ALAC has decided differently. So it's important that we reflect this in the rules and this how there has been a change in there. So, the certification if you want is provided by the ALAC. And then same thing the other way around, it's based on the recommendation of EURALO's Board, and ALS will be formally decertified in accordance with the relevant procedures set out by the ALAC in its Rules and Procedures. That is the only change there is now from the previous time.

So, I note several of you are on this document, I open the floor for any feedback and comments, or if there is any tweaking of the language, then we need to clarify this. And unfortunately, for some reason my -- that's really great, okay. So, this is fantastic, at the moment my screen has frozen because internet is great, I'm in London.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Sébastien Bachollet raised his hand.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Silvia. Sébastien Bachollet.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sorry, I am unmated now, can you hear me okay? Sébastien Bachollet speaking.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, we can hear you now, go ahead.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Okay, thank you, I'm sorry. My trouble is why we are using ICANN, disseminated by ICANN or with submission to ICANN, it's not ICANN, it's At-Large, it's ALAC, it's whatever you want, but it's not ICANN. We are not sending to the organization, to the whole organization. It is ALAC who is taking care of the criteria and standards for the accreditation of an ALS, it's not ICANN.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, thank you for this, Sébastien, it's Olivier speaking. Actually, Silvia, that might have been an oversight. It probably is an ALAC.

SILVIA VIVANCO: This is Silvia. Thank you for that comment Olivier and Sébastien Bachollet. Actually that language that I suggested is straight from the RALO Rules of Procedure. But Sébastien Bachollet I can also say that this comes from the ICANN bylaws. So the criteria and

standards for the accreditation of ALS is something that is also contained in the ICANN bylaws. That's why the reference to ICANN.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you for this, Silvia.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sébastien Bachollet speaking. We are in the middle of something that is completely crazy to have such criteria into the ICANN bylaws. But I try to struggle again six years but with no success. May I suggest that we write ICANN dash whatever, ALAC because we are talking about they established and they are in the ALAC Rules of Procedures. If it's in the bylaws then it's in the bylaws. It's the Rules of Procedure, a copy of the bylaws, who are the ones who are more important. But I don't want to spend too much time, but I suggest that you write ICANN-ALAC and you have covered everything. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, for this Sébastien, Olivier speaking. My screen is still locked up so is there anyone else in the queue, Silvia?

SILVIA VIVANCO: At the moment I don't see any other person, but actually my screen also froze, I'm so sorry about that. I don't know if any of my colleagues can see other hands up. Sébastien, do you wish to add any phrase or paragraph into the Google doc, I think that would be useful. I can also send you the ICANN bylaws, the relevant articles. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, for this, Silvia.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sébastien speaking. Olivier and Silvia there is no other hand raised except mine. I don't need the bylaws, I guess I know quite well the bylaws, and I know that there are all those things in there. Okay, I put some suggestion in the Google doc when you have your screen back both of you, I think you can accept or delete my suggestion, but I think it's one way to solve the issue. Thank you very much. Wale's hand is up.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, Wale Bakare. He's not doing very well at the moment. Wale? Okay, I'm going to ask Wale to put his comments in the chat, even though I can't read the chat, myself, there's a bit of a problem. Oh, my screen has suddenly become alive again. In the meantime, I would really suggest that we move on, and look at

the Hot Topics 2019. There has been some cleaning up going on in those Hot Topics. I think that we've reached a point when we have our basic hot topics that are listed. Just looking, my connection status is fair, okay, it's not that fair at all, it's terrible. And the hot topics that we now have listed are as follows.

1. Registrar Data Retention Waiver Request & WHOIS/RDS Conflict with National Privacy Law / General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Obviously somewhat that's already happening right now.
2. ICANN Jurisdiction and rule of law in the multistakeholder community, and that includes the whole thing about CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 1, et cetera, and more extensions to this.
3. Human Rights.
4. How ICANN Aims to Defend the Public Interest.
5. Universal Acceptance including Internationalised Domain Name (IDN) Projects in Cyrillic, Greek, and Latin Scripts etc.
6. Last year we had five topics, this year we have an additional topic; the multistakeholder and multilateral models of Internet Governance (based on the follow-up to President Macron's speech at the 2018 IGF in Paris).

These are the six hot topics. What I was going to suggest is to give it a last round of feedback, and then we can publish those. They

were originally supposed to be 2018 Hot Topics, we're now in April 2019. My screen has again frozen, and it's great when the internet starts messing up. And it is the time in the internet doesn't work so well, because everyone is using it to go and watch videos, and YouTube and everything else, basically. I'll have to ask Silvia or whoever has good connectivity somewhere in the world to let us know if there are any hands up, please.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier, this is Heidi, there are no hands up at the moment.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks for this, Heidi. If that's the case, let's have an action item. Last call for EURALO Hot Topics 2019. And then we got the last call done, we can publish those and share them with the other RALOs.

The next thing is the ATLAS III Update. You have links to the At-Large Summit III Home and you also have a link to the ATLAS III Application Guidelines. You might have found in your mailbox today or yesterday, I fail to remember when it was sent out, probably today, you must have seen an invitation to apply for participation at the At-Large Summit.

Now if you are already a sponsored traveler, so either ALAC or EURALO leader, or you are already funded to go by one or the

other ICANN programs such as Fellowship or Next Generation, you do not need to submit an ATLAS III application form because you are already funded. But, if you are not funded and you would like to take part in this meeting that will take place in Montreal from the 4th to the 7th of November this year, then please go and fill out that application form.

Admittedly, it's not a lightweight application form, but because the selection is going to have to be undertaken for all the applications, 60 people in total will be selected, so it's important that you fill the application form with all the details that you might have about your participation in At-Large and what's particularly important is to find out, of course, if you're a formal member of At-Large, I gather all people on this call are, but also show that you have some knowledge of the ICANN ecosystem and how it all works.

And this is why there are a number of compulsory study courses that you would have to take up before, first before meeting but definitely viewing the application period, so you show that you really have an interest in ICANN. And also it's something that it going to be really useful for you. When we're meeting face to face in Montreal, we're not going to have any beginner courses on what is ICANN, what is a GNSO, whatever, no, no, it's going to be quite intense and it really is a bit of a trip here, starting right now.

I've taken the ICANN Learn courses, I thoroughly enjoyed them. They're really enjoyable, and I've even learned a thing or two, as well. So it has completed my knowledge about ICANN and about the way that things work in the Generic Name Supporting Organization, the Country Code Name Supporting Organization, et cetera. There are two parallel paths to these courses. The first one, and this is the main path, and I expect everyone to be able to follow this one, which is the ICANN Learn path. There is also an alternative path to satisfy the qualification criteria, which is to attend five webinars that will take place during the next five weeks.

Next week, the week after, the week after, et cetera, at two different times, so one can choose one webinar or the other. These will be interpreted in Spanish and they will be interpreted in French. So, if you have difficulty with speaking English and you're a Spanish or French speaker, then you can follow these webinars. Personally, if I were you, I would probably prefer to do the ICANN Learn courses, because they are a lot more fun than hearing someone ramble, especially since I'll be one of people rambling during the first of the webinars.

But then if you do feel like you want to hear from me and from Alan Greenberg in the first webinar that will be speaking about Domain Names Demystified, then please go ahead. But the standard way of moving forward is to take these ICANN Learn

courses. And certainly, I think you will get a lot out of it, and they're quite enjoyable the way that they have been built. It's really important if you decide to go and follow the webinars and not go through the ICANN Learn process, that you do not miss a webinar. If you miss a webinar, there is no way to catch up. The only way to catch up is to do the corresponding ICANN Learn course.

That's where we are at the moment. The application period closes on the 31st of May, so there is about a month-and-a-half for everyone to apply. A selection committee will take on all of the data that it has at hand that will not only include the results of the ICANN Learn courses but also all the involvement that you have in the different At-Large working groups, et cetera, and then we will make a selection and, you know, it's not like we have 100 people for every seat, so the selection should be quite straightforward. But I really hope that we will get a lot of people going through and applying for this. As I said, 60 slots for everyone, and this doesn't include the people who are already funded. So altogether there will probably be about 100 people traveling to Montreal.

I don't know whether I've missed anything on this. I do ask, maybe Sébastien, you might have any other comments to make on this?

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Olivier. Yeah, I just want to tweak a little bit what you said. If there are people with French and Spanish first language, they can do both. They can follow your webinar and go to the ICANN Learn, as it would be a good way to learn. I am a little bit uncomfortable with the fact that we ask people like Roberto to pursue all this, even if Olivier you say that you enjoy it, I'm not sure that some member need to do all that, they know already a lot, even more than a lot of us. But, if you don't do it then they will not be able to choose who will go to Montreal, the 60 people. So you have to answer a lot of questions and take a lot of courses. My own view on that. But please follow the courses, and if you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask Olivier.

My last point is that yes, we need candidates, but I don't think likely that there will be too much time, because at the end of the day we will just pick up 10 from Europe and if we have too many candidates we will have a lot of disappointed people. So it's a strange balance we have to do here. But if you have any questions, just ask, and we will try to answer. Thank you very much.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you Sébastien, Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. And now that my Adobe Connect has become alive again, if everyone on the call today applies, that makes less than 10 people, so they

would all qualify if they follow all the courses. Heidi, have I missed anything on this application?

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Just one thing, I'm sorry, you say that it starts next week, and I have the impression that it was supposed to start this week.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Sébastien, Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. The problem, we face two problems; One, that we weren't ready, I'll be quite frank with that, and two is that one of the dates on which the courses could be taking place, depending on our availability, is actually holiday for some countries. As you know we're right next to Easter. So it was decided to start the courses next week rather than this week, so as not to clash, especially for the Latin countries that are particularly Catholic. Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Olivier. I wanted to stress that again, as noted in the announcement. Just part of the webinars will be next week. I believe that we are getting closer to scheduling the dates and times, and then we will start the other webinars one per week up until the end of June. And then the deadline for the application is the 31st of May. So that's a big date, big deadline. And you are going to take the ICANN Learn courses, you can start

those now, they are ready. Once you complete those you can complete the application. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, for this, Heidi. The ICANN Learn courses are available at learn.icann.org. You have to apply for an account if you don't have one, and it's very quick. Then you can start going through those courses. Heidi, is there a code or something to be put in this?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes there is, good point. This is Heidi. The code, called the curriculum code or enrollment code, that is "ATLAS III" and again, all that information is on the online training courses that Silvia has put the link to in the chat.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Heidi. We are already 4 minutes late in this call. We will move swiftly onto the next item of our agenda, and that is The Accountability and Transparency Review Team, #3, the third one of its kind. And one person has just come back from the United States and that's Sébastien Bachollet. He is on the ATRT3. Sébastien, you have the floor for an update on what happened there.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yes, thank you very much. Sébastien Bachollet speaking. As you know I am one of the members we are the team leaders, Cheryl Langdon-Orr At-Large APRALO, and Pat Kane who is from VeriSign.

During this first meeting it was the start, therefore we had one year to complete the work starting the 2nd of April. During this three day meeting we have done some work and we have created subgroups, accountability and transparency, one about community, one about reviews and all the review ICANN is conducting one way or another, and the fourth one is about GAC. Historically the two first [inaudible]. Since we are now within this new time with no connection with the US government, we have to take into account the new organization of the community. Four subgroups were created and we will work online and we will have a meeting I guess the day before the Marrakech meeting and have a face to face meeting in July, August, or September, to go ahead with this group. I will try to give you a short report at each EURALO meeting if you wish, and if you have any questions and feedback, if you want to know more, just ask me, I will try to give you the information.

I wanted to give you one other feedback. I went to the ombudsman about selection of the leadership team, I am still waiting for the ombudsman report. I hope that it will change something, at least for the next reviews, about the way that leadership team is selected.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Sébastien, Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. I'm not seeing any hands up for any questions, so thank you for your update on this, and we're looking forward to see the ATRT3 do its work, and as you said, it's only one year, so you will need to push forward.

The last item on our agenda before any other business is the upcoming 2019 EURALO elections, it's actually RALO elections for all Of the RALOs. It is a process and a timetable that has been published. There is a link in the agenda that provides for the timetable. There is a selection timetable for the ALAC members starting on the 29th of April at the end of this month, where there will be an announcement for a call for nominations and Nominee's Statement. The nomination period will stay open for 10 days. The deadline for nomination acceptances is the 17th of May. If there are a lot of candidates, we might be able to have a call with the candidates. If we desire to have a call with the candidates and the candidates can be asked questions, and so on. Then after that, from the 23rd to the 30th of May we will have the elections.

Of course, all of these elections are for people who will take positions during the annual general meeting in November in Montreal. So quite some distance away. The reason for this is that we need to have those people selected before the

nominating committee makes selections and certainly in advance so that tickets can be purchased at a decent price and not at the very last minute. So this is why we always do our election process rather early in time, being able to bring people in then and then have a smooth transition to any new people that are taking positions.

ALAC Members wise this year, we have ALAC Members RALO to be determined, so we'll have to see. I'm not quite sure while this is all CBD, CBD, but it would be interesting to have the current folders. ALAC voting delegates to the noncom that the moment is Eric Schweighofer. He is eligible for reappointment. I'm not quite sure why his name is not linked to an SOI. That would be helpful to have updated. And scrolling further down the page you will find EURALO regional selections.

So Sébastien Bachollet's seat comes up for renewal and he is eligible for reappointment. The EURALO Chair seat comes up for renewal and he is eligible for reappointment. Same for the EURALO secretary, I'm not quite sure why one SOI is not linked to this. Again, Eric's SOI is not linked either. So, that's the current positions that we have. In EURALO the process will start soon, as we said, at end of the month. Are there any comments or questions on this?

Heidi mentions that she's looked for SOIs, if they're not linked it may be that they don't exist. Goodness gracious, we cannot have

people taking part without SOIs, I thought that is a standard for this. So please, could I ask Staff to follow up with those people that seem to have SOIs missing, because that actually is in breach of our bylaws, and not the EURALO bylaws, I think it's that At-Large bylaws. Everyone needs to have an SOI. Thank you Heidi, for looking for them.

I'm not seeing anybody put their hand up, so that means we can proceed to any other business. I'm not seeing any hands up either for this. I'd like to thank you all for being on the call and we are 12 minutes, but I think we've covered everything that needed to be covered on the call. Thank you so much. Please apply for ATLAS III, we need to have a full contingence of EURALO involved EURALO people at the At-Large Summit. Sébastien mentioned there are 10 from our region but then there are five regions. So 10 is not enough, let's do more, let's have more people involved from EURALO.

With this, I would like to thank you all and thank Staff, and welcome again to Michelle Desmyter, hoping she has enjoyed her first call in EURALO and looking forward to working forward in the future. Thanks very much everyone, have a very good evening.

MICHELLE DESMYTER: Many thanks, Olivier, the meeting has been adjourned.

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