YESIM NAZLAR:	Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the APRALO monthly call taking place on Thursday, the 22nd of August, 2019, at 06:00 UTC.

On our call today on the English channel we have Satish Babu, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Maureen Hilyard, Priyatosh Jana, Lianna Galstyan, Amrita Choudhury, Aisyah Shakirah Suhaidi, Suhaidi Hassan, Pavan Budhrani, Mahee Kirindigoda, Suzan Marukhyan, Hanan Khatib, Aris Ignacio, Jay Paudyal, Gunela Astbrink, and Amal Al-Saqqaf.

Currently we don't have anyone listed on the Chinese channel.

We have received an apology from Shreedeep Rayamajhi.

From staff side, we have Silvia Vivanco, Gisella Gruber, and myself, Yesim Nazlar.

I also would like to add that Cherie Lagakali and Nadira Al-Araj have just joined our call as well.

As I said, we will have Chinese interpretation for today's call. Our interpreters are Ray and Sandy.

Just a kind reminder before we start to please state your names before speaking, not only for the transcription but also for the interpretation purposes as well, please.

Now I would like to leave the floor back to you, Satish. Thank you very much.

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SATISH BABU:	Thank you very much, Yesim. Welcome to the monthly call for August. This is actually a July and August merged call. We have a bunch of items on our agenda today. We also have quite a number of participants on today's call. It is good to know that we also have some young people and also we have a father and daughter couple. So welcome to all of them. We hope that we will continue to engage with everybody, especially the newcomers and the young people who are participating our calls because they are future and it's definitely good to have them. We also have some new members who just joined us, so we will hear from them later in the call.
	With that, I'm moving to Item #2 of the agenda, which is the membership matters. We have just [under] 35 new ALSes [as per] the Internet Governance Institute. We will hopefully hear from them in one of the future calls. We also have a – can we please mute? Because there's an echo. So he have the new individual members [inaudible]. We have one in the process for individual members. So this is the current membership status.
	We now move onto the At-Large review implementation, which we've been having as a steady-progress kind of an item. It'll go over to Maureen for this. Maureen, please go ahead.
MAUREEN HILYARD:	Hello. Thank you. Sorry about the noise outside. Thank you very much, Satish. Just to give you a very brief update, the ARIWIG At-Large Review Implementation Working Group hasn't been probably as busy at this particular point in time because ATLAS has been, with Montreal looking,

taking up a little bit more time. But that doesn't mean to say that it isn't still happening.

Of course, we had eight activities that we were working on. Although I haven't gotten the report in front of me, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, who is also on this call, had a great input into the work that we've done so far. We are going to be working on one of the key issues that has been a little bit slow getting started because it's quite involved. Cheryl and Alan Greenberg had been working on a section that merges two of the final items that we will have to work on, which was the ALS criteria and expectations tasks from several years ago. We're revisiting some of the work that we [dug into] and also metrics because I think that it's going to be hardest people it's going to be one of the most involved of our tasks.

I think that, in preparation for this, I haven't broached Cheryl, but perhaps she might be able to just introduce what she sees as the first thing that we're going to be working on. Cheryl, can you just briefly give them an introduction into what you've been working on and how we're going to get this started?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, Maureen. Certainly. Sorry, I'm using this phone line. I'm having resource problems with my computer. It keeps telling me I need to turn some things off so it can do a better job with its Zoom. And its audio is totally packed up now. I'm not going to turn anything off because I need everything I've got open open. I too like to multitask.

I just want to backtrack slightly, Maureen, if you'll allow me that luxury, just to remind everybody that, of the eight things that Maureen mentioned that are primary purpose in terms of implementation from our At-Large review recommendations, at our six monthly reporting well ahead with all of them, well in excess – sorry, all but one – of 15%, all but two in excess of 30%, and most are hovering around the 70-80% complete. Some of them, of course, are totally completed. So we are in terms of project management well ahead.

But the residual ones is what we're focusing on. Now, of course, my audio comes back on my computer. Just let me mute that. What we are looking at goes back to ensuring that the work that was done previously – it was some very good work done out of the regions – regarding what the expectations were for At-Large Structures and indeed individual members in the At-Large movement is taken into account as foundation as we work on what is known as Recommendation 2, with Recommendation 2 out of the ARIWIG work, being the part that focus on how we're going to make more effective and efficient engagement specifically with relationship to policy work and two-way communication between the [edge] At-Large communities and ICANN, the best it possibly can be.

A lot of this is also going to tie into work that is being done leading up to and during the ATLAS leadership development as well. You will expect then to have a call for the membership of the small group – the team that Maureen and the At-Large Advisory Committee has already put together on Recommendation 2 to start working on looking at what can be done and should be done in the short term – in other words, in the next three to six months.

Then we'll also note that a lot of that is going to be operating as a – I'll use the term "subset," but it's not subordinate – complementary (perhaps a better term) to both existing and ongoing work on the metrics because any of these issues are ones that are going to need to be measured.

Maureen, have I done justice to that?

MAUREN HILYARD: Sorry for the delay. I'm just trying to unmute myself. Thank you very much, Cheryl. Yes, you have. I think that what we're saying is that it's work in progress. In amongst all the ICANN 66 information that you're going to be probably bombarded with over the next couple of months, there will also be updates on the implementation working activities that we're planning as well. So just keep in touch. We'd really love to have your involvement in what actually finally gets set up. Thank you for your interest up to now, anyway. It certainly helps us to progress.

So we'll just leave it at that and we'll let you know what's the next [inaudible]. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Maureen and Cheryl, for the update. The next item, Item #4, on the agenda is the ALAC policy update. Unfortunately, we don't have Holly or Kaili on the call, so I'm afraid that it's back to you, Maureen, for the policy update.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, great. That's good. I'm very thankful that I've got Cheryl as a backup because, although [inaudible] later on, there's actually a very important issue that Cheryl is actually involved in with regards to policy, and that's in the area of SubPro. For those of you who are going to be in Montreal, the lead-up to Montreal is going to be involved. The Subsequent Procedures and EPDP are going to be feature in our At-Large meetings.

With respect to Montreal, the ALAC and At-Large will be holding meetings on the Saturday and Sunday preceding the actual ICANN meeting itself when ATLAS will take place. So, in those two days, there will be a major EPDP, of course, which is the Expedited Policy Development Process, looking at privacy and GDPR, [which] take the whole of Saturday at the moment. At-Large will be discussing issues out of that on Sunday. That's what we're proposing at the moment, as well as Subsequent Procedures.

I would like Cheryl, if she doesn't mind, to give a bit of an introduction to that and how we as a regional organization can participate. But just going through it, I hope you've all had an opportunity to have a look at the APRALO monthly wiki page space because what it does is, first of all, actually details how busy At-Large has been in various activities that we've been engaged in and that there are several statements that the At-Large community has actually contributed with regards to policy inputs that have been requested of them.

Of course, for those of you who may not know, one of our key organizations within At-Large, which actually helps us address the issues that are presented to us is the Consolidated Policy Working Group, which actually makes weekly [calls] and has calls up to two-hours long.

Then we just have to put a stop to them. They're full-on discussions about policy issues.

To be honest, I have to say that [that] is a true purpose of our involvement as ALS members and individual members within ICANN and within APRALO. So it's really, really important that everybody does actually have some kind of interest in policy issues.

Reading through the CPWG summary of the policies that have actually just been recently ratified by the ALAC, the CPWG has a discussion. They create a statement and agree upon it within the CPWG. Then it comes to the ALAC, and the ALAC votes on it as to whether to accept the statement or not so that we can say, "Yes, we endorse that statement coming from the ALAC," and then it is presented to the ICANN community from which the request came.

I have to say that APRALO is very well-represented on these discussions. I think I saw that Justine Chew is on the call. Justine has had a great deal to do with some of the really technical subjects that have actually come up. I have to congratulate her on behalf of the APRALO and definitely from the ALAC for recently being the NomCom-appointed person to the ALAC for the next term of two years. We're really looking forward to having her officially on the ALAC because she has been working very, very hard on our behalf in the area of policy development. It would be really great if we could actually have more people as engaged as Justine has been. Thank you very much, Justine, for that.

So please check through the monthly teleconference wiki space. Check through the ALAC recently-ratified statement to get a feel of the sort of

things that actually are under discussion. Some of the things may seem to be a little bit technical, might be a little bit complex, so you do have to read the information. We're very much working on how we can actually present this information in amore palatable format for people who may not be up to speed with the technical side of things. I admit that's a difficulty for me at times, but some of it is really interesting: the CPWG meetings and listening to experts like Justine and Cheryl and Holly and others on the call who represent very well the APRALO interests. I've probably been raving a little bit more on that, but it's very important to me as the ALAC Chair to be really supporting the work that we can actually contribute to within At-Large.

I would like Cheryl, because this is an important issue, to just give a brief introduction on the Subsequent Procedures and what it means for us. Thank you.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, Maureen. Yes, Subsequent Procedures for our region is particularly important. One could argue that, if I was talking, I wouldn't be saying the same thing for the same reasons. I have to make very clear to everyone within APRALO that the Subsequent Procedures PDP on new gTLDs, if for no other reason, is vital to our region if we want to see appropriate offerings at the top level of names that can be useful to our region, including in local language scripts and dialects.

I would argue, as I've argued now for nigh on 15 or more years, that saying there is enough top-levels out there – only set aside those who are already well-entrenched, predominantly in the English language,

predominantly out of large, multinational countries and predominantly working out of Europe and the Americas … If that doesn't get some of your backs up, I'm very sorry for you because it certainly gets mine up. It should get everyone's back up. It's one of the reasons that it is important that, if for no other reason, the voice not only from an underserved but from a linguistically diverse and culturally diverse region – we are the most linguistically and culturally diverse region that exists – has to be heard.

Right now, however, we are heading towards the part of the process after – heavens it's going to be almost four years soon – that will be formulating what, if any, recommendations on modifications to the guidebook and to in fact if, when, and how new offerings or opportunities for top-level domain names will be put out to the wide and wonderful world of opportunity with or without applicant support, with or without preferences or priorities to IDNs, underserved or demonstrably needful areas, and a whole lot of other things, which are region should be very, very interested in.

So we've done a pretty job, carried on far too fewer shoulders – Justine's included – of keeping our voice heard, but we cannot let it just relax now. We do need to make sure that the CPWG and the advice the ALAC gets from the CPWG has the diverse voice of our region to be heard. Also, wherever possible, if you can look to what is going on in the Subsequent Procedures public workshops that are held at the various ICANN face-to-face meetings, please do join them.

You're obviously welcome to join the Subsequent Procedures meetings, but we are getting towards the drafting stage and the final drafting

stage. But you have an ideal and rare opportunity, and that is to get actively involved with the Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG), which, as Maureen described, meets weekly. The times rotates. We area also time-zone-diverse in our region. I would suggest, if anyone of you have any time to do anything as an At-Large member, to contribute anything to what you should be doing as either a member of At-Large, as an individual, or an active participant on behalf or from within your At-Large Structures. You should be focusing on whatever the CPWG is focusing on. I would argue that, for the next 12 to 18 months, nothing else is as important. Am I making myself clear enough?

I carried, if I may give you a very short history, the burden of policy for this region for about a decade, until Holly came along. Thankfully, Holly was able to pick up some of the burden. We now have Justine. That is a marvelous thing, but it's not enough. I want to see another 30 of you join it.

Well, that's my sales pitch, Maureen. Probably not what you asked me for but it was what I was motivated to deliver.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I think we've got the message across to them, Cheryl, hopefully. At least, as long as they can focus themselves as ALS members and individual members, on what we think is important, I think that's everything.

So we might just leave it at that, Satish, so that you can get on with the rest of your meeting. We don't want to take it over completely. So we'll let you carry on. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: All right. Thanks, Maureen, for the update. And also thanks, Cheryl. For the newcomers, the links under the agenda item could be quite useful. There is a link to the CPWG. There is a link to the summary graphic, which explains how we contribute to policy. So it may be illuminating to take a look at those links.

Moving on now to Item #5, which is APRALO updates, we have two new working groups coming up. At this point, both of these are kind of announcements. The first is the APRALO RoP Review Working Group. Now, since we have a bunch of newcomers joining the call today, we might want to give them some time to consider joining any of these working groups, although the RoP Review is largely directed at participants or community members who have had some exposure to the APRALO RoP. This has been largely the result of some of the interactions we had had a few months back. Particularly in the case of individual members, we started admitting them only maybe a year or year-and-a-half back. There are still some gray areas which need to be clarified.

So that is the rationale for this working group. The members are [already] there, but we will keep it open for another week or so so that anyone else who wants to join can join. Then we will kick off the activities of this particular working group.

The second that was proposed is the Extra-Territory Legislation Working Group. This was proposed a couple months back in one of our monthly meetings by Yeseul Kim, who had personally worked on this particular

item and wanted to take it up at the regional level. Yeseul had actually made a draft proposal which I took a look at and then Silvia also kindly reviewed. There are some additions, some changes, to the draft.

Unfortunately, Yeseul was not able to join today's call, but she said that she'll be sending this document to the whole community within the next one week, with all these additions incorporated. Once the basic document/the proposal for the working group is public, we can discuss and maybe add members or decide on the outcomes, etc.

So those are the first two items of the agenda.

The next is also an announcement. This is regarding APRALO's next general assembly. We've had a general assembly in Abu Dhabi a couple of years back. Now the next [inaudible] general assemblies [inaudible] for August or September 2022. That's about three years from now. ALAC and Maureen have kindly formed the schedules for all the RALOs. Our turn is in 2022. This will be organized jointly with the APrIGF, which we are not, at this point, sure where they're going to be in 2022.

The co-location idea was discussed in the past ICANN meeting, and we did have a discussion with the APrIGF community also. The decision is basically to co-locate it with APrIGF community, which is a fairly open and broad community which pretty much like the APRALO community, so there is a match in the shape of these communities.

Finally, we have an announcement of two committees to which APRALO has sent representatives. Now, these are the two committees involved in Seat 15 of the Board, which is the position that Leon, who's on the call today, is occupying presently. The BCEC members are Fouad and

Amrita, with Lianna as the backup. The BMSPC is Aris and Shreedeep, with Yeseul Kim as the backup.

At this point, Leon is on the call. Leon, do you want to talk to us on anything?

LEON SANCHEZ: Thank you very much, Satish. As you know, I won't be putting in my name again for Seat 15. I want to be prudent at this point and let the process flow. I will be, of course, following the process, and it's good to see that we have solid representatives from APRALO in both the BCEC and the BMSCP.

If I may add something at the end for AOB, I would be happy to comment on a couple of things that are happening at the Board. Thank you, Satish.

SATISH BABU: Thanks very much, Leon. Good luck to you on this process. We have always been very supportive of you. We will of course continue to support the whole process also. So that is Agenda Item #5. We will come back to Leon under AOB.

In the meantime, are there any comments/questions on any of these items under #5.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I've got my hand up.

SATISH BABU: Maureen? Sorry, I can't see the hands. You go ahead.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. I just wanted to mention about the BCEC and the BMSCP. They're just a pile of acronyms that we come across. They are actually two very, very important working groups that are related to, of course, the appointment of the Board member that represents At-Large. I do have to congratulate APRALO because we were the first ones to actually put forward, as we had requested, two members for each of these committees and one alternate so that there's always two representatives at the meeting so that, if one can attend, the alternate attends. I really credit the region and the engagement. We've got so many people who want to be engaged. I think that that's superb.

Just to give you a slight introduction to them, the BCEC is the group that evaluates the applications that people who want to be on the Board. They make applications, and the BCEC goes through all those applications and creates a short list of those applicants who have put their applications in. Of course, it's to find someone who's going to be the best person to represent At-Large on the Board. We only have one person. I have to say we have been well-represented in the past by our current representatives. Anyway, that's the committee that will go through every application that actually comes through from who applies for that position.

Once they have made a short list, then we start the actual election process. That process is undertaken and overseen by the BMSPC. That is

also a very important working group because it makes sure that the process that we employ to contribute towards making sure we've got the best person representing At-Large on the Board. That whole election process is actually monitored by the BMSPC.

I just thought I'd explain what those two groups are and the important role that the people who've actually been selected to be members of those committees from APRALO are going to be involved in. I'm very confident with our representatives on those committees. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Maureen. Are there any further questions?

If not, we will move onto another very important item. This is an update on the upcoming ATLAS III. Maureen, it's over to you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: I'm sorry. It's me again. It has taken up so much of our time, probably the last two years. So we're very pleased that we're running up to it now and are also very pleased that, when we were going through the selection process, which was a very bottom-up process, the criteria was developed. The selection criteria was developed by the volunteer members who participated in that process. The selection was a very involved process, so we were very fortunate to be able to get a very good group of members who had to go through quite a harrowing application process to get to where they were finally selected.

But we got quite a predominant group of people in ATLAS. We're pleased that there was preliminary preparation, even before people made applications. It was a very important process.

At the moment, the Programme Committee is working on some activities that are going to be expected of those ATLAS travelers who have been selected. The Montreal program is going to quite involved, and I think you're going to find it really interesting and exciting.

Now, we've got an expert who is going to be facilitating the program. Again, I'm going to call on my trusty colleague, Cheryl, because she too has been involved in the Programme Committee discussions. I'll let her set it up. I seem to be taking all the limelight here. I'll let her give a brief overview of just what is going to happen in the ATLAS program in Montreal. Cheryl?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, Maureen. Of course, my Zoom room has been telling me I have unstable Internet and it's totally turned up at its toes now. So I don't think I'm even in the room. If I am, I have no room on my computer. But never mind.

Can I just let everybody know that, of the 60 travelers that are going to be the sponsored travelers – remember, what we're looking for out of these sponsored travelers, the participants, the ATLAS III individuals is that they're going to be the change agents, the thought leaders, the instruments, of making the implementations that we're recommended from the At-Large review actually happen – so everything about policy, everything about engagement, everything about how we should be and

what we should be doing to meet what the bylaws require of us, as well as doing the job in a most accountable and transparent way. These are the first 60 that are going to be hopefully trained up and the ones that will be flag bearers for that process going forward.

Now, there are, as you know, five regions. The meritocracy of everybody's application was established and it was, as Maureen said, a very good and rigorous method of being selected. But there are two regions that have taken the significant number of members who got into the sponsored travelers list with both having, I believe, if memory serves, 19 travelers coming from AFRALO. The other one is our own, APRALO. So 19 travelers coming from APRALO. So that should be very exciting to you all. Not only does it mean you as a region have fared extraordinarily well in the selection process but we've also got that many not just keen people to apply but clearly qualified and experienced individuals to get through the selection process. So yay, team.

What's going to be in store for you all, however? Well, one of the things that's going to be happening is, even to put your name in the hat for your expressions of interest, you have to get a whole lot of basic 101 training done. So [thanks to] everybody. Even those weren't selected and people who just did even though they were going to put in the [OI] I think benefited from all of that training. But there is going to be a little bit more preparatory work required from you as a traveler between now and the Montreal meeting.

At the Montreal meeting from the Monday on, there's going to be a set of what we're calling plenary but in fact they're really [whole-of]-group

sessions, which means they're sessions that our facilitator, David Kolbe, and various leaders from the ALAC and At-Large community will be working with in as interactive way as possible to develop certain identified skills and desirable traits and qualities. Then there will be a breakout session.

I think we're working something like somewhere between 11 or 15 – I could actually be understating that – individual 90-minute sessions going through between Monday and Thursday and we tend to run a plenary and a breakout, a plenary and a breakout, a plenary and a breakout. Some days you'll only have perhaps three meetings. Other days there might be five.

In between times, there will be compulsory – and I do mean compulsory; attendance will be taken note of – meetings that you're expected to go and observe. Then you'll be bringing back critiques and material to discuss from those meetings. So it may be that you all requested to go to the Board/GAC meeting and then you come back discussing the leadership style, the communication modalities used, and all that sort of stuff.

But this is the exciting point. I'll stop at this point, Satish, because there's a whole lot more that's going to come out really soon. We're going to be doing an ongoing case study. There will be a lot of roleplay. A lot of the breakout groups is going to involve the participants taking a stance as part of a pretend part of their ICANN community, although some of you will end up being At-Large people. We are going to be using the case study of what we went on in EPDP – that's the Expedited Policy

Development Progress – that the GNSO is currently managed, and we're going to be looking at the Phase 1 activities.

So there'll be a whole of fun, a whole lot of learning, and you're going to be utterly and absolutely exhausted. You are also going to be tested and observed through the whole of the time. Then, if you're survived that and you're still willing to continue on, there will be work on after Montreal.

How's that, Maureen? Have I either frightened them or encouraged them? I'm not sure which.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Exactly. But I think we're a pretty hearty group in APRALO, which is why we – I have to say it – are one of the most successful Regional At-Large Organizations within At-Large and within ICANN. So I'm really proud of the contributions that are people are making. So onward and upward after ATLAS. We'll get people within the community and really get others just engaged, finding out more about what we do and how everyone can contribute to it. So thank you. That will do for now.

Satish, back to you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Maureen and Cheryl, for the update. Indeed, very exciting times ahead. It's important to remember that we do have expectations from the travelers, during, and after the actual ATLAS III. It's also very interesting that Asia-Pacific has got one-third of the travelers group. It's a very interesting fact.

	We now move onto Item #7. We are running a little bit late, so I'll quickly—
YESIM NAZAR:	Satish?
SATISH BABU:	Yes?
YESIM NAZLAR:	Sorry for interrupting. Leon's hand is up.
SATISH BABU:	Leon, please go ahead.
LEON SANCHEZ:	Thank you very much. It's just to [wrap up] on ATLAS III. There have been some comments about the impact that ATLAS has had in the past. Just to tell you that I am working with my OEC colleagues – for those who are not familiar with the OEC acronym, that is the Organizational Effectiveness Committee in the Board – to have a consolidated document that relates the recommendations that were products of ATLAS II and taking that advice to the Board and all of the actions that the Board has taken in consequence so that we can have a full picture of the impact that ATLAS II had for a long time. Of course, it would be great if we could do the same thing with recommendations emerging from ATLAS III.

So, once we have this consolidated document of Board actions to address each of the recommendations from ATLAS II, I think we will have a better understanding of the very important impact that ATLAS II had in [delegations]. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks very much, Leon. I agree that it's extremely important to document and evaluate the performance of these ATLAS meeting, but clearly because some of the other communities wonder what has been achieved these kinds of large meetings. So it's dutiful to listen to Leon.

Actually, I'm unable to see the hands up, so, Yesim, please let me know if someone's hand is up.

Moving onto Item #7, these are three updates of regional events. The [APWG] was in July. The [APWG] recently its first elections. A whole lot of the new executive committee is from the ARALO community, which is good. The AP Regional IGF was this time in Russia. We did have Maureen, Lianna, and me there, and Nadira also. It was actually a very interesting event.

For us, as I mentioned earlier, the regional IGF community is a sister community with a lot of overlap. We do value the interactions with them. We did have a session where the APRALO was presented to the newcomers. We had very good feedback on the session.

Finally, we had APIGA. Again, many people on the call were – not many, but a few – on APIGA as well. This is the fourth addition of APIGA, which is a joint program of ICANN and South Korea. As you usual, it was an

excellently-run program. We'll get more details in the newsletter, which will have some more information.

We will now move onto Item #8, which is the member of the month. Lianna, can you limit it to five minutes, please?

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Yes, Satish. Hello, everyone. We do have a member of the month, an individual member from our region: Susan Marukhyan. She will make a short introduction of herself and her activities. But before giving the floor to her, I would like to encourage everyone and ALSes and individual members to more active and volunteer to represent themselves and the activities their ALSes are doing so that we share all the things within our community.

Over to Susan for her introduction.

SUSAN MARUKHYAN: Thank you, Lianna. I'm very happy for the chance to be involved in the ICANN community. My voice is echoing. Well, whatever. There a very short time, so I would like to tell you that I started my work in the [inaudible] editor in chief of the first Armenian magazine on the Internet, which was a project by the Open Society Foundation in 1998. It was called Internet.am. It was printed in two languages in hard copy about the Internet. These were the steps to vocalize the basic terms and represent the major players in Armenia to the public at large.

I'm also a member of the ISOC chapter in Armenia, and I am promoting the idea of a safe and secure and universal Internet [inaudible].

YESIM NAZLAR: I'm sorry for that. I had to mute Susan because of the loud noise. I'm going to try to unmute. Susan?

SUSAN MARUKHYAN: Yes?

YESIM NAZLAR: Please go ahead. Sorry. Apologies. I had to mute you because of that very large noise. I think your audio is back now. Thank you.

SUSAN MARUKHYAN: Can I go on or I don't have any more [time]?

SATISH BABU: Yeah, please go ahead.

YESIM NAZLAR: Please, Susan.

SUSAN MARUKHYAN: My participation in Internet-related issues is threefold. On the one hand, I have been working with the Council of Europe for 12 years, promoting freedom of expression on the Internet and through the Internet.

Further, I studied in an online academy, a European academy, where I did my research on GDPR and its possibly influence on non-E.U. countries. Here I appeared on the next part of the scale for freedom of expression versus data protection.

Through all my career, I've been an active communicator and a communications and outreach expert. I currently I work for two organizations. One is the American Research Institute of the South Caucuses [inaudible], and the second is the Urban Foundation for Sustainable Development, where I do communication and social marketing, mainly for the Armenian regions.

In all the works I have been doing, I have a big [accent] on the Internet and I'm trying to [inaudible] as much as possible my own knowledge. The opportunity to get the ICANN Fellowship gave me a chance to get more involved in Internet issues. I'm trying to learn from all of you. Despite my daily work, I'm trying to spend much time on ICANN Learn and follow the meetings as much as I can.

Further, I also have [inaudible] with the [inaudible] Organization in Armenia. I hope I will be more technically equipped next time because my home Internet went out. So I'm now using two gadgets. Probably this is the reason also for the echo and for the bad voice. Thanks for your attention. And patience.

SATISH BABU: Thank you very much, Susan, and welcome to the APRALO community. You are indeed a very well-qualified person to participate in our regular

policy activities. So welcome again and thanks for volunteering to introduce yourself.

Noting that we have only four minutes left—

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Satish?

SATISH BABU: Sorry, Lianna?

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Satish, if I may add and make some clarification that Susan made in her introduction, she said she's a member of ISOC, the Armenia chapter, and there was [inaudible] comment. Currently, the ALS for Armenia, which represents the Internet Society NGO – Susan is not a member of that NGO, that organization. So there is no conflict of interest in this case. But, of course, we can discuss this issue with the RoP Working Group to take that into consideration.

Thank you very much, and over to you, Satish.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Lianna. Absolutely. I think this is one of the areas that the new working group should discuss.

Over to you, Nadira, for the NomCom update. [inaudible] to two minutes.

NADIRA AL-ARAJ: Yeah. Thank you, Satish and everybody, for allowing me. I will not list the names because already they are already on the screen, but I want to congratulate our outstanding member, Justine, and [for her to] accept officially being affiliated with ALAC. She's always with us. She's not new to us. So [she's] just accepting to be officially with us. That's great.

Another thing I want to mention is, with [our] At-Large, if you notice the formation of the selected leaders, let's just say, 50% of them are coming from the At-Large community. This is important. We are not only contributing to the policies or the comments but also contributing with leadership. This is something nice if you do.

Because I would like to have [inaudible] only two, from our Asia-Pacific, candidates in this leadership selection, I would like to have more. That reflects if we have more applying because we have only 27 persons out of 127 applicants for the leadership positions. So I hope that my successor works also to recruit more people with matching qualifications to be able to be moved forward for the different stages of the selection.

Other than that, regarding if people are curious about why we are reappointing some leaders, it's because – for example, [Martin] – he has to go through all the process with a deep dive and everything like any other candidate. The decision was also to have the, [with the learning that he gained from the first experience also a have a continuation to his giving back to the community.

I [don't] want to take more of the time here. I would like to thank everybody for giving me the opportunity for going into this rich experience. I'm sure that I try my best to represent the At-Large. You can also see the feedback that I got from my peers. It's already announced the 360 peer review. It's also on the NomCom page. You are welcome to go and see and read through the review there by my colleagues.

That's all from me for now. Thank you, Satish. Thanks, everybody. And congratulations for everybody who applied and also who took the position. I'm looking forward to working with you all. Thanks.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you, Nadira. On behalf of the APRALO community, I'd like to thank you once again for you excellent comments on the NomCom for the last two terms. Thanks.

That goes to Justine as well. Justine will talk to us in a future meeting about her plans for the region. Of course, we are aware that she's very, very active already. So we don't expect anything less for the future.

We are one minute past the time. I think next time onwards we may want to use an online close to self-time ourselves because we have so many things to inform the community on, and we have a very short meeting.

Leon, do you want to add on anything now?

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LEON SANCHEZ:	Thank you, Satish. Really quick. Just to let you know the Board will hold its next workshop in L.A. from September the 6th and onwards. There will be a very important process during that workshop, which is the succession of the next chair and vice-chair for [inaudible]. Well, there will be different discussions and, of course, decisions to make in regard to that and a number of subjects.
	A paper that is being published will be published shortly. It related to the global public interests. Once it is published, I will let you know. The thing that the Board is asking is for input and for ways in which [inaudible] the multi-stakeholder, bottom-up process within ICANN we are able to [inaudible], [inaudible] the community, shape this [governance] in a better way to try to continue researching what the global policy interest concepts mean in regard to our actions.
	So those are the two points that I wanted to share with you, Satish. Thank you very much.
SATISH BABU:	Thank you very much, Leon. The global public interests does sound very interesting because At-Large is actually that part of ICANN which most highly opposes or is meant to oppose the global public interest. So this is an interest to us. Thanks again for the Board update.
	At this point, we are three minutes over the time. Are there any last-minute burning issues that anyone would like to raise?

Not seeing any hands. If there are any further, please raise it in the mailing. I'd like to thank everyone for having attended this call. I'd like to thank the interpreters as well. Apologies for the slight excess of time.

We will meet at the next meeting now, and it's over to Yesim to close the call.

YESIM NAZLAR: Thank you very much, Satish. This meeting has now ended. Thank you all for joining. Have a lovely rest of the day. Bye-bye.

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