
YESIM NAZLAR:

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the APRALO monthly call taking place on Thursday, the 24th of October, 2019, at 0600 UTC. On our call today on the English channel we have Satish Babu, Maureen Hilyard, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Joanna Kulesza, Suhaidi Hassan, Amrita Choudhury, Cherie Lagakali, Jahangir Hossain, Gunela Astbrink, Lianna Galstyan, Justine Chew, Holly Raiche, Namrata Khetrapal, Aisyah Shakirah, Shreedeeep Rayamajhi, and Yeseul Kim.

We have received apologies from Kaili Kan, and Ali Almeshal. From Staff side, we have Silvia Vivanco, Gisella Gruber, Siranush Vardanyan, and myself, Yeşim Nazlar, and I will also be doing call management for today's call. As you know we will have Chinese interpretation for this call and our interpreters are Ray & Yiyi. Before we start, just a kind reminder to please state your name when speaking, not only for the transcription but also for the interpretation purposes, as well, please. And now, I would like to leave floor back to you, Satish. Thank you very much.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you very much, Yesim. This is Satish for the record. Welcome to everybody here who is on the call. As you are aware, this is a busy time for most people, especially the travelers to the ICANN meeting in Montreal. We also have a presentation from Joanna who is going to talk to us today on the ALAC level policy platform topic. But before that, we will look at the membership status, Issue 6. We have certified a new ALS, that is the Internet Society Rule Development Society, and we also

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have a new individual member, Dr. TV Gopal, welcome Dr. Gopal has been an ICANN member from a very long time back. So, welcome, and hope you will be able to participate in our activities, actually, welcome back.

We also have on hold the China Internet Development Foundation which is on hold because we have discovered during the due diligence process that they are not really member based, so we are recommending that they approach another part of ICANN, the MPAC which does admit organizations that are not necessarily member based, but are not appropriate. So we have recommended to them that they should apply for MPAC membership.

With that, we will now move on to the Item #3 in our agenda, which is the ALAC Policy Platform topics. Each of the five RALOs did an exercise of identifying the regional hot topic, which basically means priority topic and these were merged into a single document, then later on it was taken over by the CPWG, the working group in ALAC, which combined all the policy matters and Joanna here today is going to talk to us more about what is this policy platform topic. Over to you, Joanna.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you very much Satish, that is indeed very true. Thank you for the introduction and thank you for hosting me, or us, together with Jonathan. What we wanted to do is we wanted to play a short prerecorded presentation for the sake of time, just to keep it concise and specific. We coordinated with Yesim, I think we're totally ready to start, but we will start off with this very brief presentation of a few

slides that is prerecorded just to give you a brief oversight and I'm around to answer questions and to take down all the comments that you might have. If we're ready, Yesim, I'm happy to start.

Hi, my name is Jonathan Zuck and together with Joanna, I've been tasked to create the At-Large Policy Platform and to facilitate its evolution with consultation with the RALOs and all the other members of At-Large Leadership. With the At-Large Policy Platform we will provide people with principles behind At-Large Policy development, as well as an overview of some of the key issues on which the ALAC is currently engaged. The At-Large Policy Platform is meant to be a living document that evolves as new issues present themselves. Hopefully it will be an aid to any At-Large representatives to various ICANN efforts such as working groups, review teams, commentors and advisors.

The policy platform is based on a bottom up process that began with surveys by the RALOs of their members, which were in turn forwarded to the CPWG for evaluation and approval, ultimately by the At-Large Advisory Committee. There are many topics of potential interest to internet end users. Our first step is to separate the individual users from the business users. Once we do this, we can see there are many interests in common, but several that apply only or mostly to business users. Our next step is to impose the remit of ICANN which is focused solely on the security, stability and trust of the dynamic naming system, or DNS. Now we see that there are interests of individual users that fall outside ICANN's core mission. It is on the issues within ICANN's remits we must focus, and in particular those that are less represented by others, such as the business constituency. The ALAC mission is to advance the interests of individual end users, not to represent end users.

The reasonable is simple; individual end user interests are not a category of user, instead they are a category of use. In fact, we are all individual end users most of the time. Individual use of the internet includes browsing, searching, research, shopping, travel and dining reservations, online banking, and video streaming. Ideally, the ALAC advances the interests of all users, but there are small categories of users that are ironically well represented inside of the ICANN community. They are the business users and registrants. The business users are well represented by the business constituency and the registrants' interests are well represented by the NCUC and registrars. That means if there is ever a conflict, the At-Large focuses on the nonregistration-related interests of individual end user. Both the issues of privacy and geographic names have raised these distinctions. So, once all these things are taken into consideration, Joanna and I have broken this down to the following big topics that we will focus on as we create this living document: Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) and Universal Acceptance, DNS Security and Abuse, DNSSEC and Cybersecurity, ICANN and Human Rights, Privacy Policies, Consumer Protection, ICANN Jurisdiction and Internet Governance, New gTLDs: PICs, Security, Stability, Indigenous Rights, and Trust, ICANN Transparency and Accountability, Consensus through Partnership with governments, business and civil society. And beyond that, we open it up to feedback from all the RALOs, including you, to give us feedback to what other issues you think need to be included in this document.

So, what are the Next Steps? Well, we're going to create a Wiki space for the document and to finalize these topic areas, get ALAC approval, and then create a document that summarizes them, as well as the current

At-Large perspectives on these topics. Ideally this results in a living document that continues to evolve with issues raised by the regions and direct participation of RALO leaders in policy development. Thank you, and we're happy to take any questions.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you very much, Yesim, for playing that. So, that is the background of what we created. A brief introduction of where this is coming from, as Satish rightfully noted, this is what used to be the hot topics idea. We used to think about this in terms of hot topics, but after having feedback from the community, this idea was then formed into what is now called policy platform.

So, we're trying to figure out a way to have a repository, in a sense, of all the policy work that is being done within At-Large to provide us with information on what has been done and to provide us with foresight into the future, what At-Large stands for and what it is that we want to achieve. In that sense, I'm more than happy to answer questions. Thank you for the comments in the chat box right now. I'm going to stop here and try and see if there are any comments or questions. This discussion will likely also be picked up again during ICANN66.

We're very much looking forward to your suggestions as Jonathan directly indicated, this is supposed to be a living document, so it is not a fixed string within we're supposed to work, but quite the opposite; this is supposed to be a living platform where as the issues arise, we will try to aggregate information, provide background, and provide foresight for the future. I don't see any hands up, I'm going to turn the floor back to

Satis to possibly moderate. I see Maureen's hand up, I think it's okay for me to give the floor to Maureen, so I'm going to try and take the question. Maureen, the floor is yours.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you very much, Joanna, and it's not so much a question, it's a comment, I'm absolutely thrilled that we've actually had this presentation. Also, it would be my pleasure to introduce to APRALO that Joanna and Jonathan are my ALAC Vice Chairs, and I'm just thrilled that they've started their role of leadership within their respective roles of policy and outreach through this presentation, and they're taking it out to the RALOs. I think it really bodes well for the development of our policies moving forward, as Joanna mentioned.

I think, too, that the subjects, the topics that Joanna and Jonathan have outlined in their video presentation allows us to focus on what we need to develop to actually help the topics that are going to be important for us to focus on for the development of policy with regard to our membership of getting the messages out to our community. So, thank you very much, Joanna, I'm really glad I came to this meeting, I thought I was going to miss it, but thank you very much.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you so much, Maureen, this is most humbling, thank you everyone. We're trying to support the community the best we can, so I'm more than happy to try and accommodate all the feedback that is coming in.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you, Joanna, for the excellent presentation, because it made very clear some of the frequent questions that come up from our community, especially newcomers. For instance, what's the difference between NCUC and At-Large? Are they targeting the same kind of policy topics? Or what is ICANN's limits? Shouldn't we be discussing about all kinds of things under APRALO? This presentation makes it very, very vividly clear as to what we are looking at within At-Large. So, thanks for that.

I have suggested to Staff, if you can in the chat box tell us where to submit our suggestions about what Joanna has presented. For example, I had a question on the global public interest, it should be featured somewhere in this list of topics. So there may be others who might have suggestions, so you can let us know and we can email ideas, we can post the wiki address, that would be useful to everybody. Are there any other questions to Joanna? She has to leave early in the call. So I'll leave it open a few more seconds if there is anything. Did someone want to speak? Someone who is not on the Zoom but on the bridge?

Okay, not seeing any hands, I'd like to thank Joanna once again on behalf of all of us and the APRALO community for this excellent presentation, and as a living document we will see newer versions of it as we go forward. Thanks, very much, Joanna.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you so much, everyone, it's wonderful to be here, thank you. I'm looking forward to the next meeting. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks. So now we move on to Agenda Item #4, which is our regular Policy Update, over to Maureen and Holly for the update.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Satish. I think Holly was just going to jump in here.

HOLLY RAICHE: I'll go through a couple things, and I noticed that Justine is on this call, so maybe she'd like to jump in with where we're up to with Subsequent Procedures because that's an ongoing thing. First, to summarize the discussion we've had, and this particular issue, we have voted on it, it's been ratified, but it's on the screen as ICANN's Multistakeholder Model and contribution to it. Really, the two areas that we contributed, the first was to actually strengthen the decision making. Some of the important things that were of use to us, prioritization of work and a recognition of the need for outreach, particularly for volunteers to assist in the knowledge and resources.

The other was precision in scoping the work to the extent this will help participation, because there will hopefully be a bit more clarity of the work and deeply refined contribution. The GNSO is coming up with what they call PDP3, which is a look at the actual policy development process, trying to refine it. We've had a discussion about the positive aspects of it.

Some of the things that caused us a little bit of, I won't say concern, but questions, were whether some of the headings that are being suggested

by this particular working group mean there might be more requirements to participate, tighter requirements which actually would in effect leave people out. Now, this is not clear, and Cheryl might want to speak to this as soon as I'm finished.

The second part of the multistakeholder response that we had was to repeat many of the issues that many of us raised already. The difficulty with people who are not being paid to participate, the lack of time, in many cases the lack of technical knowledge to participate in issues that require that.

Some of the suggestions that we made, things like perhaps more webinars so that people can get up to speed on what the issues are that we are being asked to comment on, or perhaps better definition or more explanation, timing of webinars to include the Asia Pacific region, as well as the European, US participation. So, all of those suggestion were worked into the final submission that we've made in terms of active multistakeholder participation, how to make that more effective. Can we move up to the next current statement?

There are a couple being drafted. These are issues that we have already looked at before, the consumer trust and consumer review, we've made extensive comments on. What we're up to now is the plan for implementation. The ALAC has made a number of submissions, and what we will be focusing on is reviewing that document and looking at the implementation, and repeating the things that we felt were important. One of the big items was a number of policies or processes to look at DNSSEC and DNS issues, and DNS security. Jonathan is drafting that and he was actually the Chair of that committee, so he

knows a lot. We had other things to say about consumer issues in terms of domain names. We will be looking through the two or three statements we've made to identify the issues and make sure that they have been picked up in the implementation stage.

Similarly, with WHOIS 2, again, there is a final report Hadia is looking at. I will probably look at it, as well, simply because this is an issue that is years old, it's all about WHOIS, which is essentially the information that is required on the RAA. There is a lot of personal information there, as well as other information. It's clearly impacted by the European General Data Protection regulations. So we have to have a final look at that in terms of the things that we're said in the past about RDS and WHOIS, as well as the current focus on the ePDP, to deal with the WHOIS issue in light of the general data protection regulation.

And finally we're looking at the Operating Plan and Budgets, Ricardo will be looking at that, but I suggest other people have a look, as well. We will be welcoming any kind of comment on this. So, are there any questions on any of those issues, I'd be happy to comment on or take the comments back into the consumer policy working group and that will be meeting probably in about less than 24 hours. So, happy to talk further or taking back any comment, because we look forward to everyone participating and identifying the issues that are of concern to them. So, Satish, back to you.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks very much, Holly. If there are any suggestions or comments to Holly, please email it to her. So we're all waiting for the next agenda

item which is ATLAS III update from Maureen, as I see several travelers in the meeting. So, Maureen, it's over to you for the ATLAS III update.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Just very, very quickly, because there has been quite a lot of activity related and communications related to ATLAS III and if you were on the webinar, and I know that a lot of people from APRALO were on that webinar, so it was very pleasing, I don't want to repeat myself too much more than to say this page is probably the most important one that you're going to need to have top mast on your phone or your computer, because it details everything that you need to know and where you're supposed to be at any particular time of the day for the ATLAS program itself.

It's going to be quite an extensive and busy time for everyone. There will be plenary sessions and breakout sessions, it's important that you go to both. Plenaries are going to be remotely accessible, they will be recorded, and so plenaries are fine for people who will not be in Montreal. But unfortunately we are probably going to have difficulties with trying to record the discussion groups, so they're going to be spread all over the place and availability of microphones, transcription, translations, and all that stuff make it quite difficult.

But I can assure you that Staff and the organizing committee and anyone who has been associated with developing this event is really looking forward to it, and I'm particularly looking forward to the APRALO participants, not only participating but hopefully enjoying the time that they have together.

I'm really glad to see that later on Satish is organizing a time when we can get together and have a little chat about how things are going. So, if you've got any questions or queries, remember that Gisella is available for any questions, please do not mention the V word, it's something that we are having issues with, still, but any questions, and I'm available too, drop me a line. Okay, that's it. Thank you, Satish.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks very much, Maureen. There is a lot of excitement in the air. Once again, if any of you have any questions, please contact them, in yesterday's webinar we had a bunch of questions on these issues, but everything else within our control, our staff will be able to help you. And if there is anything else that requires support of the team, please write to me, we'll be able to take it up.

We now go on to Agenda Item #6, which is APRALO Updates, without losing time, we will quickly run through this. The first is the development in the Universal Acceptance group. Now, you may be wondering why this is coming under APRALO updates and it is not an individual independent agenda item. Well, the reason will be apparent as we run through this. Currently the UA, the whole community is very active and the bulk has actually been divided into six subgroups, I'll just mention them quickly; the first is the working group on measurement, it is chaired by Dennis Chang.

The second would be the working group of technology, it's already functional and I've been appointed as the Chair on this group. This group is mandated to identify technological gaps that exist and then do

remediation for them. And the Vice-Chair [inaudible] is from Africa. The third subgroup is EAI, and this is chaired by Mark. Then we have a group of UA ambassadors which is set up and chaired by Desan. Then we have the communications groups which is in charge of outreach as well, and this is chaired by Rahul Gussein and the Vice-Chair is Lilian Ivette.

The final subgroup on local initiatives which will be working with local communities in different parts of the world, that is being set up as we speak, and the UA initiative has several meetings this time at ICANN66 at Montreal and everyone is welcome to participate in this meeting, particularly because this is of quite high relevance to our region.

The second update is the update on dot.Asia Board meeting that took place last week, attended by Maureen, Lianna, and me. I will mention a couple of points. If Maureen and Lianna want to add on anything, they can do that. Dot.Asia as you are aware is the non for profit organization and it runs the registry of .Asia, but it also does a bunch of social projects and it supports several community initiatives, including the Asia Pacific Regional, APRDF. The UA is also run by .Asia, so it is an organization that has got big linkages within that community.

In last week's meeting, we discussed several governance matters including the social project that .Asia is running, all the initiatives that it's supporting, how best to continue this, and also specific discussions on domain abuse, which is a hot topic for ICANN66 at Montreal. I'll stop there, if Maureen and Lianna want to add anything, please do.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you Satish, nothing more from me, that sounds like a good summary. Thanks.

SATISH BABU: Right, Lianna, do you want to add anything?

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Nothing from me, thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Lianna. The next update, actually it was on the At-Large outreach and engagement program. Unfortunately, Ali had a last minute dropout, so we will defer this to the next meeting. Next we have an update on the GFCE Triple-I Workshop and inSIG.

Now, I will speak very briefly about the GFCE Workshop. This workshop is supported by the government of Netherlands and it is [inaudible] by the ICANN Board Chair Elect, Maarten Botterman who actually has been on this in different parts of the world. Last year this was organized as part of Day Zero even of inSIG, as well. This year also Maarten is organizing this event in Calcutta on the 14th of November, shortly after the ICANN meeting. And then this is followed immediately by inSIG and I request Amrita to speak on this.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY: Thank you, Satish. Amrita here. So as Satish mentioned, GFCE is part of the Day Zero activity of inSIG, inSIG many of you may know is an

initiative by four internet societies, chapters in India who are also ALSes of APRALO. It's a three day program. Apart from GFCE there is a youth IGF program which is going to be held for the second time on Day Zero which also is supported by inSIG.

There will be around 120 to 140 young people participating in the Youth IGF, inSIG would have about 70 to 80 people participating, out of which there would be 25 fellows from India, there would be 15 fellows from overseas, primarily from the South Asian countries, but we also have fellows from Africa at this time. Then we have some local fellows. We have a different aspect of internet governance which is to be discussed by speakers from working there and overseas. So we will have more updated coming up, it's on the 14th through 17th of November so we hope to share more details as the days come forward.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you Amrita. Just for your information, the registration for GFCE workshop is available currently and shown on the screen. Also a point that at this time inSIG is being nominated by the ICANN Chair. Right now Maarten is Chair Elect, but after the ICANN meeting in Montreal he will be the Chair.

Now we move on to the last bit for which I would welcome some discussion. We are planning for an APRALO group meeting which includes all the ATLAS travelers from the region, all the fellows. Siranush is on this call and she had asked me the date and time for this call so that the fellows also could be asked to join.

So apart from the travelers, fellows, and leadership team, we also have some people from the APRALO community who are not under any these categories, but we would like to get all of them together for a brief time, because time is very precious during ICANN meeting, so it can't be very long, and we would like to get them together, and what we were planning was that we will send out an email right away over the next days to all the ATLAS travelers and welcome them to the ICANN and inform them that there would be a meeting of APRALO community as part of ICANN66.

We would also like to request Staff for a group picture, if that's possible, during this meeting. So I'm not sure if it is going to possible, but we have already put in a request to Staff, Heidi, so we hope that it can happen. Are there any quick suggestions on what we can do in this meeting, or any comments? The floor is now open if anybody would like to offer any suggestion or comments. Ultimately, of course, you can write too when you get the email. So, this will be a quick meeting, just to face-talk, introduce any newcomers to the community.

One of the aspects that we want to do after the meeting is over, vis-à-vis our travelers from the region, we would like to keep track of them, we would like to pull them in to the policy processes working group. So we would like to be in touch with them, and this is the first to initiate this whole process of being in touch with APRALO so that they can continue to be engaged with the APRALO. So, that's the APRALO update. I don't see any hands up, so we will now move on to the ROP Review working group update.

Quickly to provide context to this, we have a series of issues related to individual members and the direction of their representatives, et cetera. a few months back on our mailing list and the leadership team examined this series of exchanges, and we decided that there are some unresolved points which can be addressed by the community and resolved, so as to make our individual members more effective in contributing to policy. Accordingly, we had asked for volunteers and we have set up a working group to examine the ROPs.

Now, it's good to have Cheryl on this group, because she is one of the people who drafted the ROPs in the first place. So some of the nuances and subtleties of what was intended sometimes tends to vanish over time, and we are looking at only the [inaudible] in the ROP; the [inaudible] is not available, but having Cheryl is very useful because she provides the context and the background and also suggests the way to go.

So, we had two meetings of the ROP group and in the last meeting held earlier this week we were looking at the definition of individual members and the obligations and rights and the criteria that would define individual members.

So, in particular there was this provision that says that the applicant who is applying to be an individual member should not be a member of an existing ALS, so this is contentious to some people and we had an extended discussion on this. I don't know if Cheryl would like to add anything at this point, Cheryl, if you want to add on, please jump in and tell us what you felt.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, Satish, Cheryl Langdon-Orr for the record. It's early days in this process but it's important for us, the Rules of Procedure, this will be our if memory serves fourth review and draft of the Asia Pacific Regional At-Large organization Rules of Procedure, and they've hardly been static since we've prepared them for our original memorandum. But it's an important process and we need to look at the necessary changes in color and expectations.

The other thing is that sometimes things are very clear in a particular point in time and are no longer so clear, and we may have learning and experiences that we need to bring to the table now that were not even something we were aware of when these things were originally written. It's a healthy and productive process early in its stages, and when things do go from this working group back to the wider community of the regional At-Large organization, I do hope we get plenty of contributions and discussion. It's the sort of thing that I would like to see a lot of comments for example coming in when we put things up for public comment and review.

But of course just to remind you all, any change to the Rules of Procedure are going to be subject to tests. First of all, they have to be appropriate and approved by the ICANN Legal department because they are part of our memorandums and articles with ICANN, so there is a certain degree of legal formality that is involved with them.

And secondly, they need to be adopted in a general assembly, even if we write the most amazingly wonderful ones, to actually get them

concreted in place, we will have to make sure we have a form of general assembly with all those involved in that. That's it, thank you very much, and I look forward to continuing the journey with you all.

SATISH BABU: Thanks very much, Cheryl, we really appreciate and value your presence in this process. Moving on to Agenda Item #8, we have Lianna who is going to introduce to us the Member of the Month. Over to you, Lianna.

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Thank you, Satish, this is Lianna speaking. Unfortunately, the member that I wanted to introduce for this month is not on the call, I apologize for that, so we will organize that for the next time. My apologies, again.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Lianna. So moving on, we are at the point just before the ICANN66 meeting, when the leadership team happens. Now, we have the NomCom representative who has been serving us for the last two years, and that is Nadira, and next month we have Amrita who is taking over. Now, before I call Nadira to speak, on behalf of all of us, the entire APRALO community, I would like to thank Nadira for her sustained and excellent work that she has put in, taking on the workload of the NomCom and it is good to say that Nadira has kept the APRALO flag flying high. So thanks, Nadira for all your efforts and please update us on the current status of the NomCom.

NADIRA AL-ARAJ:

Thank you Satish, I had the pleasure to serve the community and it was a very enriching experience, and I wish Amrita a similar experience, as well. It put me from level to another of understanding ICANN as a whole and also understanding the community and also the leadership discussion and feeling that you are up to that level of experience. Without that, I might still be an ordinary member, and thanks to the rest of the community of giving me this chance.

Currently, there is no update, the NomCom is just trying to narrow down and I think now the leadership role, the NomCom leadership has been appointed [inaudible], he will be the Chair Elect for the following year and also they are expecting usually after this, the [inaudible] they will write the reports for the whole year, and usually we are not involved in that. Thanks for the experience, and Amrita, good luck. If you need any information, nonconfidential information, I'm ready to support her as well.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you very much, Nadira, this is Satish for the record. Before I invite Amrita to speak, I would like to mention that usually between the NomCom representative when there is a change over, there is a knowledge transfer, knowledge sharing process between Siranush and I and between I and Amir, and between Amir and Nadira has happened. So I request Amrita and Nadira to be in touch and I expect Nadira will be passing insights, not information, not data, but insights of the whole process to Amrita so that she can continue to fare very well in this whole process. It is very demanding, so it's good to have as much support as possible. I would like to congratulate Amrita on her

appointment to the NomCom and I would like to invite her to speak to us.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

Thank you Satish, thank you everyone, and thank you, Nadira, for working so hard for the last two years, I definitely look to you for advice. Just to update, at this point in time there is nothing much happening, we just go an introductory email and some updates on what meetings are expected. There is a mailing list which has come and as Nadira mentioned, the Chair Elect is [inaudible] and the Associate Chair is Damon Aschraft and he is currently communicating with all of us, setting up the WhatsApp group and sharing the meeting agenda for ICANN66. So this is what it is, and there was a call for volunteers to look at what the questions were last year and whether it will be continued this year. So, that's about it at this point in time.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Amrita. Now we also have Kaili, who is not going to be here from the next time onward. Unfortunately, Kaili is not on the call, but we will meet with Kaili at Montreal and we will say thanks from the APRALO community for his contributions, also. We have Justine coming in. At the next meeting we hope Justine will talk to us and let us know her plans. We have a gap sometimes in the policy process with contributions coming from -- I mean, the availability and contributions from our members is very high.

How to use the availability and ensure that more of our members are able to participate in the policy process. But Justine of course is heavily

involved directly personally in the policy process. That's of course very, very welcome, but we would also request her to tell us how we can bring in more people from our community into the policy process, but that will be in the next meeting in November after she has been formally seated as APRALO NomCom appointee.

So, we have one Agenda Item left, which is Any Other Business, and we have one item there. If there is anything else anybody would like to bring up, please be ready. As soon as the discussion on IGF is over, we can pick it up. So, this agenda item #10 is about the IGF Berlin. We have some of our members who are going to be Nadira, Amrita, so these folks will be there in IGF Berlin.

Some of the others like me, we are still undecided if we want to go or not, so we might have a small APRALO community group there. So if there is anything that we can do collectively there in terms of membership promotion, in terms of distributing our brochures, or taking down the names of interested [inaudible] from APRALO, we will be happy to do that and we request the group that is going to be there to coordinate among themselves. Is there anybody who wants to talk to us about IGF?

NADIRA AL-ARAJ:

Thank you, this is Nadira for the record. I think it's good to have an outreach, because in any event, we are part of the community and we need to recruit more people and interest the end users, not only for APRALO, but also we can speak on behalf of all the At-Large members. I'm not sure because I'm not following if other RALOs are having a

booth, because it's important, because I'm not sure if somebody had already booked for ICANN booth there.

LIANNA GALSTYAN:

Nadira, this is Lianna speaking. Yes, there will be an ICANN booth in the booth village and APRALO members will be able to come to Berlin, and I heard that some people are already planning to be there. That will be really good to come to the booth and we can definitely make this outreach, everyone can contact me and I will be happy to coordinate our meeting, some gathering and discussions, but the good place will be definitely this booth, that everyone can come and see other participants from the region.

NADIRA AL-ARAJ:

Yes, thank you Lianna. It's good to coordinate and even we can volunteer in the booth when we are available, to promote APRALO in particular. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Right, that is a good idea, and I suggest that you should be in touch with the other RALOs and the outreach and engagement subcommittee and if there is any way to collaborate, it would be good. We can also send email to the list asking for anybody else who is participating in IGF Berlin and we can then make a subgroup so that you can communicate with each other. So thanks for that discussion. I see two hands, Amrita and Lianna, Amrita please go ahead.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY: Satish, it is not related to IGF, but just a request, if any of your ALSes have done some activity this month, please share it with me and Staff so that we can add it to the new data, because it has been observed that many times ALSes do activities, but if you share it, it helps not only to promote what you've done, but also to add to the yearly book, so that it can be showcased to people what all the ALSes are doing. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Amrita. Over to you, Lianna.

LIANNA GALSTYAN: This is Lianna speaking. Just a quick update of what we did in this month. In the beginning of the month on 10 to 12 October we did have the IGF celebrating the 5th anniversary. We had the first Youth IGF Armenia, and also we had the honor and pleasure to host the fourth European DNS Forum where the President of ICANN, Göran Marby participated and also we had one of the Board members, Janko Jevtavic joining the meeting.

The meeting was a good success. We had about 180 participants from different countries coming, from the ccTLD registries of the region and at the IGF we also had the same number of participants from all stakeholder groups and we covered a lot of topics on DNS policy abuse, the technical, policy overviews. I will give some details to the newsletter to Amrita and we will post the pictures as well.

And I want to thank once again the ICANN Staff who have been involved in this organization, and Siranush was one of the members participating

in helping. And thanks to my team, the APRALO members from our ALS also had been there to help out the organization. So that was a very successful meeting and I wish all our ALSes share their activities as well so that we know what is happening. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks very much, Lianna, for the update. Cheryl, please go ahead.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you very much, Cheryl Langdon-Orr for the record. Just to let you all know, we will give you more details in the November meeting of APRALO but the Australian internet community has spent the last 18+ months reorganizing itself into running a reboot, a refresh, a restart of what will be its national initiative on internet governance forum as our next thing, that's what we're calling it. We'll be running on Monday the 28th coming, it's all very exciting and there will be live streaming things.

I watch the tweets and the social stratosphere for things that somebody might be interested in, and happy to get a little bit of report done for a future newsletter in the following meeting. We're excited about having had the hiatus for a couple years, since IUDA pulled out on sponsorship, to get it back up and running, but more than 200 people have already registered and it's an excellent lineup of speakers.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Cheryl for the update and I hope that she can provide a slightly longer update in the next meeting in November. So, we that we come the end of this meeting, I don't see any more hands. It is good to have

discussion and updates from different parts of our community. I'm aware that people are going to travel now, so safe travels, and we will see most of you in Montreal for ATLAS III. So, until then, goodbye and it's over to Yesim to close the call. Thank you very much.

YESIM NAZLAR:

Thank you very much, Satish. Thank you all for joining today's call. This meeting is now adjourned. Have a lovely rest of the day. Bye bye.

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