APRALO Policy Forum 2023 Year End Report

@APRALO Monthly Call of Dec 2023

APRALO Leadership Team
21 Dec 2023

APF 2023 Achievements & Recommendations

Achievements

⊙ With respect to **APRALO Regional Priorities 2023-2024** per APRALO Hot Topic Survey 2022*

  ○ Established strong planning practice with targeted focus, also standard delivery practices

  ○ Covered ALL of APRALO's Regional Priorities except for 2

  - 1c- Take greater cognizance of "global public interest" applicability

  - 2a- Increase involvement in DNS Abuse mitigation

  - *Remedial action in the works*

  ○ Engaged good number of APRALO participants (and non-APRALO ones too)

  ○ Instituted end-user-driven regional cross-community networking

  ○ Introduced 2 new activities: APF Town Hall Meeting, APRALO ICANN Readout

  - Outputs to serve as inputs for planning, regional strategy and/or action

Recommendations

  ○ Review **APRALO Regional Priorities 2023-2024** and update where necessary

  ○ Consider a combination of inward and outward activities for even greater impact; also

  - Use of polls, surveys

  - Single topic consultations – align with CPWG

  - Institution of better participant metrics – to align with Project RoSI

  - Regard for continuous improvement

* **See:** https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/147849295/ICANN%2075%20APRALO%20F2F%20-%20Regional%20Priorities%202023-2024.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1667276272000&api=v2

Summary by Half Year

APRALO Policy Forum (APF) Activities 2023

- ⊙ <u>Jan-Jun 2023</u>
  - ○ 6 Monthly Meetings, covering several areas of policy discussions, updates
  - ○ Inward engagement, average attendance of 21 participants

- ⊙ <u>Jul-Dec 2023</u>
  - ○ Re-established Purpose of APF: 5 Aims & how to achieve them
  - ○ Re-focus on **APRALO Regional Priorities 2023-2024** per APRALO Hot Topic Survey 2022*
    - • Regional partner to At-Large Consolidated Policy WG (CPWG)
  - ○ 8 activities, covering several areas of policy discussions, regional networking, next round of New gTLDs and impact of a global issue on ICANN
    - • Introduced APF Town Hall Meeting, APRALO ICANN Readouts
  - ○ Outward engagement, average attendance of 39 participants

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Recap of APRALO Regional Priorities 2023-2024

1. General ALAC/At-Large priorities:	2. Specific policy-related priorities	3. RALO Membership retention & engagement priorities	4. ICANN operating priorities – top 5 to monitor	5. Consideration of additional, new topics **
1a-Continue to contribute towards **policy position development**	**2a**-Increase involvement in **DNS Abuse mitigation**	**3a**-Continue with **capacity building / development**	**4a-OI-4.** Evolve & strengthen **ICANN Community's decision-making processes**	**5a**-**Internet Fragmentation** or "Splinternet"
1b-Pay attention to **ICANN governance matters**	**2b**-Continue focusing on **Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs)**	**3b**-Build on **leadership development & mentorship**	**4b-OI-3.** Evolve & strengthen the **Multi-stakeholder Model (MSM)**	**5b**-Aspects of the **Next Round** of New generic Top-Level Domains (New gTLDs)
1c-Take greater cognizance of **"global public interest"** applicability	**2c**-Increase participation in promotion of **Universal Acceptance (UA)**	**3c**-Improve participation & engagement, institute **activity metrics**	**4c-OI-9.** Evaluate, align & facilitate **improved engagement in the Internet Ecosystem**	
			4d-OI-7. Promote the **Universal Acceptance** of domain names and email addresses	
			4e-OI-10. Through targeted engagement, **improve Govt and IGO engagement** & participation	

1H 2023	Activity	Topics Covered	Participants	1a	1b	1c	2a	2b	2c	3a	3b	3c	4a-OI-4	4b-OI-3	4c-OI-9	4d-OI-7	4e-OI-10
										APRALO Regional Prorities Code							
12-Jan	Monthly Call	OFB & CPWG updates	17							x							
2-Feb	Monthly Call	GGP on ASP, ICANN Operating Plan & Budget	20	x	x					x			x	x			
2-Mar	Monthly Call	EPDP on IDNs, UA, CPWG update	18					x	x	x							
6-Apr	Monthly Call	EPDP on IDNs, OFB & CPWG updates, DNS	19	x	x			x		x			x				
4-May	Monthly Call	NomCom rebalancing, CPWG updates	26							x				x			
1-Jun	Monthly Call	EPDP on IDNs, ICANN77	23					x		x							
		Average	21														

2H 2023	Activity	Topics Covered	Participants	1a	1b	1c	2a	2b	2c	3a	3b	3c	4a-OI-4	4b-OI-3	4c-OI-9	4d-OI-7	4e-OI-10	5a	5b
6-Jul	ICANN Meeting Readout	ICANN77	53							x				x		x			
20-Jul	Single Topic consultation	Applicant Support	N/A	x						x		x							x
10-Aug	APF Town Hall #1	Planning	35									x							
10-Aug	APF Town Hall #2	Planning	23									x							
7-Sep	Webinar	Next Round of New gTLDs	46							x		x							x
9-Nov	ICANN Meeting Readout	ICANN78	45							x		x		x			x		
23-Nov	Webinar	Next Round of New gTLDs - Applicant Support	34	x						x		x							x
7-Dec	Fireside Chat	Internet Fragmentation	36		x					x		x			x			x	
		Average	39																