



Monthly RoundTable 4 (by EURALO)

Tuesday 20 April 2021 - 18:00-19:30 UTC

“EUROPE, network readiness and digital transformation”

- **Welcome: Sébastien Bachollet (3')**
- **Leader & moderator: Introduction and scoping questions, Pari Esfandiari (8')**
- **Guest speakers**
 - **Bruno Lanvin**
Executive Director, Insead and Co-Founder, Co-Chair of the Board and Director, Portulans Institute (12')
 - **Eleanor Sarpong**
Deputy Director and Policy Lead, Alliance for Affordable Internet, WorldWideWeb (12')
 - **Christopher Mondini**
Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement & Managing Director, Europe, ICANN (12')
- **Q&A session moderated: Pari Esfandiari (30')**
- **Conclusion: Eleanor Sarpong, Christopher Mondini , Bruno Lanvin (10')**
- **Next steps: Sébastien Bachollet (3')**

Languages supported

English, Français, Español, Русский



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A virtual round table discussion on the importance of Europe's Network Readiness in view of "The Network Readiness Index 2020", ICANN's role in providing interoperability, connectivity, and infrastructure innovations to encourage digital adoption, and World Wide Web Foundations efforts for policy change to ensure connectivity.

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Welcome

Sébastien Bachollet

Chair of EURALO

(European At-Large regional organization – ICANN)
<https://atlarge.icann.org/alses/euralo>
ATRT3 and ws2 shepherd
New gTLDs Auction Proceeds (ccwg) member
NomCom Delegate, European Region

Member of the Board of AFNIC (.fr)
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Honorary Chair – Internet Society France
www.isoc.fr



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Introduction and scoping questions



Pari Esfandiari

- ICANN At Large Advisory Committee Member
- Innovator, Investor, Entrepreneur
- President: Global TechnoPolitics Forum
- Member
 - APCO Worldwide's International Advisory Council
 - Action Council-Atlantic Council
- CEO at Pario



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EUROPE, network readiness and digital transformation

Bruno Lanvin



- Frequent speaker at high-level meetings, he advises several global companies and governments
- Member of numerous boards
 - ICANN
 - IDA-Infocomm
 - GovTech
 - IP-Watch
 - AAID
 - Bin Rashid Foundation for Government Innovation in the UAE
 - Presidential Advisory Board in Digital Strategies of Kazakhstan

- Co-founder and Director of Portulans Institute
- INSEAD Distinguished Fellow (INSEAD's Executive Director for Global Indices until January 2021)
- President of the Smart City Observatory
 - From 2007 to 2015 Executive Director
 - From 2000 to 2007, World Bank
 - Senior Advisor for E-strategies and Regional Coordinator (ICT) and e-government issues
 - Capacity Building Practice and Chairman of the Bank's e-Thematic Group
 - Manager of the Information for Development Program (infoDev) at the World Bank
 - Executive Secretary of the G8-DOT Force
 - United Nations in New York
 - Head of Electronic Commerce in the UN Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD) in Geneva
 - Chief of the Cabinet of the Director General of the United Nations in New York
 - Head of Strategic Planning
 - Chief of the SME Trade Competitiveness Unit of UNCTAD/SITE
- Authoring (and co-authoring)
 - Building Confidence: Electronic Commerce and Development, January 2000 (main drafter, team leader, & editor of)
 - The Global Information Technology & Index Reports
 - Global Talent Competitiveness Index (GTCI)
- Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and Physics from the University of Valenciennes, France
- Masters of Business Administration from Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC) in Paris, France
- PhD in Economics from the University of Paris I (La Sorbonne) in France & alumnus of INSEAD (IDP-C)



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World Wide Web Foundations efforts for policy change to ensure connectivity

Eleanor Sarpong Deputy Director & Policy Lead, Alliance for Affordable Internet



- Leads policy and advocacy efforts with particular oversight on all A4AI's country engagement work in Asia, Africa, and Latin America
- Versatile ICT and public policy professional with a 19-year multidisciplinary experience in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors
- Has worked in various ICT roles in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East in advocacy, consulting, ICT policy/regulations development and stakeholder management
- Provided guidance to the European Investment Bank (EIB) on policy options to improve ICT lending to developing countries in the Middle East, Africa, Asia-Pacific and Latin America
- Worked on consulting projects, Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation
- Head of Government, Regulatory and Public Policy at Telecoms Operator MTN Ghana
- Alum of the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education program (Implementing Public Policy)
- Certificate in Public Policy Analysis from the London School of Economics and an MBA from the Warwick Business School (UK)



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ICANN's role in providing interoperability, connectivity and infrastructure innovations to encourage digital adoption?

Christopher Mondini - ICANN

Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement & Managing Director, Europe, stationed in the Brussels, Belgium office

- Oversees ICANN org's operations in the region and leads ICANN org's Global Business Engagement initiatives worldwide
- Professional life
 - United States diplomat
 - Corporate investigator with Deloitte
 - Has investigated the world's largest corporate corruption cases, while working with NGOs and business organizations on ways to mitigate corruption risks
 - Led grant-making teams for the Full Circle Fund, an engaged philanthropy organization addressing economic development challenges
 - Throughout his career in Washington and Silicon Valley, dedicated to bridging communications gaps that occur among diverse sectors – public, private and nonprofit – and across international borders
 - Holds degrees from Georgetown and Johns Hopkins Universities





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2021

- **Tuesday 18 May 2021 - 18:00-19:30 UTC: Monthly RoundTable 5 (by EURALO)**

Study on Domain Name System (DNS) Abuse and projected outcomes

Sponsored by European Commission DG Connect

Possible Speakers:

- **Ivett Paulovics – Lawyer - Member of ICANN RPM Working Group**
- **Grenoble Institute of Technology (INP) - Informatics Laboratory (LIG Lab)**