CLAUDIA RUIZ:	Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the At-Large Leadership Team (ALT-PLUS) monthly call on Wednesday, 19 May 2021, at 16:30 UTC.

On the call today on the English channel we have Maureen Hilyard, Alan Greenberg, Ali AlMeshal, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Daniel Nanghaka, Eduardo Diaz, Glenn McKnight, Hadia Elminiawi, Joanna Kulesza, Jonathan Zuck, Lianna Galstyan, Marita Moll, Matthias Hudobnik, Natalia Filina, Sindy Obed, Pari Estandiari, Seun Ojedeji, Sebastien Bachollett, Andrei Kolesnikov and Yrjo Lansipuro, as well as Barrack Otieno and Olivier Crépin Leblond. And we have Justine Chew who has just joined as well and Alfredo Calderon.

We have received apologies from Yeşim Nazlar from staff and Satish Babu.

From staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Evin Erdoğdu, Silvia Vivanco, Devan Reed, and myself, Claudia Ruiz, on call management.

We have Spanish and French interpretation on today's call. Our Spanish interpreters are Claudia and David and our French interpreters are Claire and Jacques.

A friendly reminder to please keep your microphones muted when not speaking to prevent any background noise and to please state your name when taking the floor each and every time so that the interpreters can identify you on the other language channels and to please speak at a reasonable speed to allow for accurate interpretation.

We also have real-time transcribing on today's call. I am putting a link in the chat so you can follow along. Thank you very much. And with this, I turn the call over to you, Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you so much, Claudia. And Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. Lovely to see you here. I hope my sound is okay. I'm having hardware issues this morning but, you know, par for the course.

We've got a pretty busy work agenda planned for this meeting and it's very much aligned with the work that we in At-Large are going to be engaging in during the year. And it will basically provide the context for most of our ALT-PLUS meetings for this year as a regular check on progress of the objectives that each of the work streams will set for 2021. I can assure you that we will really need to have all hands on deck to make sure that we can complete everything that we want and need to do before the final meeting at ICANN72.

So we'll first of all be focusing on our three call work streams which are policy, of course, and the work of the CPWG which is led by policy advice chair Jonathan Zuck, co-chaired of course by Olivier Crépin-Leblond. But then we have our outreach and capacity building work stream which is led our vice chair Joanna Kulesza and a team of people she has working with her. And finally, the operational work stream which includes the OFB working group with Holly and others. And that, of course, is my domain.

But today we're also going to include the ICANN71 preparation which is pretty full-on at the moment and also progress with the elections with the nominations closing this Friday.

And in other ALT-PLUS meetings that we have during the year I'm proposing that we may have speakers from ICANN Org on something that might helpful to us to learn more about with regards to what's important to ICANN at the time.

So if there's anyone who wants to make any changes to the agenda, if you'd like to speak up now or add anything…okay, I don't give you that much time, but let's get going.

Okay, so looking at our work streams, our first item is, of course, policy, and I'll leave that over to Jonathan and Olivier and probably about three minutes each, five minutes.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Okay, three minutes each. Thanks, Maureen. This is Jonathan Zuck, ALAC co-vice chair and co-chair of the Consolidated Policy Working Group. We have a lot of things on our plate for the coming year. We have ticked some things off of our list.

For example, we did finally deliver a course on how the At-Large participates in ICANN policy development. I encourage everyone to just take a look at it. It's this sort of aspirational, idealized version of what we're going to be trying to do and hone over time, and it's pretty reflective of what the PDP 3.0 is referring to as the representational model.

As part of that effort we've got a draft CPWG charter that we're going to continue to work on. We've had some interesting discussions about what should represent consensus in this informal recommendation-oriented group, and we will be continuing to look at potential consensus tools. Although the ABR that we put in related to consensus tools was turned down. I think it's something we'll continue to press on.

So we continue to work on advice, but we will also be trying to get engaged sooner and sooner in our own position development workflow. The best example of that is the upcoming topic on registrar transfer policy where hopefully we'll be working in the CPWG to talk about the issue and be in the best position to be supportive of our representatives and alternates on that work group and create a [inaudible] cycle for addressing challenges or compromises in those positions as they arise.

So that's the brief overview of what's coming up for the year in the CPWG.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Awesome. Thank you so much, Jonathan. Short and sweet. We now have outreach and engagement with Joanna and her team.

JOANNA KULESZA: Thank you very much, Maureen. This is indeed a broad area quite well distributed among the community members. Thank you to everyone for participating. I see you have an outline on the agenda and the [priority] [inaudible] section. The outreach and engagement is distributed among

various activities and various work streams. We have had support from Hadia Elminiawi who is running the webinar program. And I know we already have a rich agenda for 2021, and so we are trying our best to coordinate that with the upcoming meetings.

You yourself [moving] together with Jonathan have been wonderful in leading the tenuous work on the ICANN Learn Courses which are coming up. And I am happy to report that thanks to your input and input from Cheryl and Alan the initial course on welcoming to At-Large has been introduced [inaudible] and what followed suit with the guide to ICANN's [PDP] At-Large policy development process here within the community as well. We are looking forward to promoting these during the next ICANN meeting I understand.

And we have also standing items on the capacity building and outreach agenda that are focused on the ambassadors mentoring program that Ali AlMeshal has been leading in the region and beyond throughout the community. Adam Peake has been wonderful in supporting us with the academic engagement [inaudible] and is something that also Abdulkarim has been involved in and has kindly agreed to work together with the Global Internet Governance Academic Network to build the capacity of expert and teaching resources.

I believe also a standing item on the agenda is something we have thought of for a while now which would be a resources database. One go-to page where we would find all the information that could be used by community members. Hopefully, copyright free or in an open and readily available [inaudible] license.

Now this area of capacity building I am sharing together with Daniel, and he has been doing wonderful work on outreach. I understand he is on the call, so I would be happy to share the floor with him. Thank you very much.

DANIEL NANGHAKA: Thank you very much, Joanna. I'm happy to mention that under outreach and engagement they're still continuing to leverage on the online platforms and enhance the engagement [inaudible].

Also, with the [inaudible] of leadership whereby each RALO [inaudible] the meeting the liaison of that region is [inaudible]. I'm happy to share that Natalia who is taking the lead for ICANN71 is doing a tremendous job and also she has [inaudible] communication plan or a social media plan for ICANN71.

And we are also looking at having more engagement online. I'm happy to share that, for example, today in Africa they started the Africa engagement sessions which are running for two days and at least interesting discussions are sharing there. That shows a lot of collaboration between the [GSE] and outreach and engagement.

[inaudible] for that I'm also happy to share that also the ICANN Learn courses [inaudible] are also going on well. And I'm happy to share that at least it's a good [inaudible] because we're seeing levels of engagement going up online here.

With that, let me just hand the floor back to Maureen. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:	All right, I just wondered if Hadia might like to mention something about her webinar program, and probably Ali as well. Hadia?
HADIA ELMINIAWI:	Yes, sure. Thank you, Maureen. Quickly, on 4 May we had Jonathan Zuck with creating to use of PowerPoint. In June we are not going to have any webinars because we have already the pre-ICANN71 webinars and then we have also the ICANN71 meeting itself.

In July we have on Melissa Allgood with facilitation skills. And in August we have country code domains and DNS marketing. And in September we have Sandra with intercultural awareness, and the session will focus on parameters that are relevant for working within ICANN. So two items [like] parameters were verbal communication and the art of small talk. So the session would include a representative from each RALO that would be able to present on those two topics.

And then in October we have the ICANN72 meeting. And then in November we have scheduled the DNS abuse users education program. And that is organized by Joanna and I think also Jonathan will take part of that, and it would be followed by regional DNS abuse education webinars. So I'll stop here and thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD:	Thank you, Hadia. Ali, I noted that you're mentoring. In the chat it says your mentoring program has begun. If you would like to give us a little short introduction to that, please.

ALI ALMESHAL:	Thanks, Maureen. Yes, we kicked off the announcement of the program and now we are waiting for the volunteers to subscribe to the program for the mentees. And very shortly—I mean, we give them until the end of the month whoever is interested so we can accommodate [inaudible]. I have been monitoring the participation to this and I've seen a good number of applications so far.
	We will kick off the official introductions and meetings with all of the mentees and mentors once done by the next ICANN meeting, the coming one. It was until the end of the month. Then we'll work in the profile and mentees and mentors matching and finalizing all of that. So it will give us a chance until the beginning of the next ICANN meeting.
	The program will remain until next year. The first ICANN meeting we'll be closing it and all those volunteers and mentees, the ambassadors, will be graduated and we'll announce the closing of the program [and that is] [inaudible].
MAUREEN HILYARD:	Thank you so much. I note that there are two other sections. Remember that this is a chance for people to join into any groups that are operating. So we have Abdulkarim and Dave Kissoondoyal who actually have two extra activities. And I just wondered if we might be able to get an update just to find out, Abdulkarim and Dave, if you need any support from anyone. Abdulkarim?
ABDULKARIM OLOYEDE:	Hi, Maureen. Can you hear me?

MAUREEN HILYARD: We can, thank you.

ABDULKARIM OLOYEDE: I think for my part the expert surveys all is done. It's just for it to be sent out to everyone. So I think that's the only update. I think it should have been sent out by the staff now. If it has not been sent out, then I'm sure it's going to be sent out for people to fill it in.

MAUREEN HILYARD: That will be great, thank you. And we'll make sure that that is done so that we've actually got an update from people [inaudible].

ABDULKARIM OLOYEDE: Within the next couple of weeks.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yeah, awesome. Thank you. Is Dave online? Okay, we can find out more about that at our next meeting [anyway]. Thank you very much. I mean, it just shows you just how busy the outreach team is. And so we've got quite a lot happening, and it would be really good to see that there's actually some progression. And also, if anything gets completed that is actually put into the status box so that we can see that we're actually making progress.

Okay, so now we come up to the operations side. And, of course, within this section is the operations, finance, and budget working group which

is led by Holly and with others as back up. But it's a very important group. We're looking at currently working on looking at [have been] definitely having some input from the finance team who've given us helpful advice and are helping the group to create a workplan of activities for the year based on what is on top for ICANN's operations group so that we're actually aligned with it and we're in sync with preparing our statements if we need to make a statement with regards to this.

And secondly, of course, as you can see onscreen, on of the other [inaudible] items within this group is the ABR. And that's, of course, coordinated within the group for discussion, and decisions are made by the finance and budget subcommittee itself. But we were very, very successful in the last round of ABRs.

What I wanted to spend a little bit of time on is for Heidi to give us an overview of key things about those ABRs that were actually approved. But also there were some items that were not approved which there were some recommendations that were made that means they might still be able to happen. But, Heidi, can I pass that over to you, please?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Maureen. And, yes, as Maureen noted At-Large was extremely successful in the number of ABRs that were approved for FY22. At-Large submitted a total of 18, 6 of which were approved and 12 that were not approved. So in my memory I think this is the most successful that At-Large has been in terms of just the number of ABRs that were approved.

If we could just go to the top, this year you'll see it's a similar page. It's the FY22 At-Large budget implementation workspace. This year I did try to make the approval language which is absolutely key when we're looking at implementing all of these ABRs to understand what the parameters are.

So you'll see that in here I put in some of the key language in bold and the key sentences or segments of sentences I put into italics and underlined j so that they really stick out and that you're aware of what these ABRs, the approval language has stated.

So let's start with the two At-Large or the ALAC budget requests that were successful. The first one is the one that Jonathan put together for a professional individual end user survey. Claudia, could you please stay at just the top? Yeah, thank you.

So you'll see the key thing here is that the survey will be limited. It's going to be one topic in one language in selected countries. So it's sort of like a pilot here. And again, I think there's a lot of interesting information that can be derived from the results of this, but again the implementation will need to work with the PRS, public responsibility unit with Ergys and At-Large.

I believe, Maureen, you're thinking of starting this sometime in July with possibly a subgroup of the CPWG. And you'll see also for these two, the next one as well, it's really keyed up. There's a report due in December for how much they've been implemented.

So if we move to the second one, this is the RTT, the real-time transcription. Again, this is from Judith, and the English already is in the

[core]. It has been for the last two years now. And this ABR allows eight hours of French and eight hours of Spanish per month to be included in that with the English. So a good success for Judith there. And I think the next step there is to highlight or identify some of the AFRALO and LACRALO calls that will be standing calls with RTT.

Okay, so we can move now. So well done to EURALO. You'll see that EURALO had several that were approved, and the first one is this diversity in ICANN leadership. This is looking at the Work Stream 2 recommendations. Part of this will be designing a study about diversity in the context of the WS2 and then also too a virtual workshop series. Coming back to that study, EURALO may engage a diversity expert of data analyst in this study. So that's going to be very exciting to see how that is implemented.

Moving on, the next two I believe if you can scroll up, Claudia, the next two are also EURALO and they are basically limited to webinars. So the first one is protecting the Internet's unique identifier system in the age of disinformation. This, again, will have two webinars to identify issues and explore solutions pertaining to this topic.

Then the other one is from Roberto, actually, and this is the support of the individual users association within EURALO. This one I do need to look into a little bit what the approval language is actually stating. It does state that ALS does already receive support from At-Large and from the policy team, so we need to work with Roberto on what kind of support is needed there.

Also, this one is linked to another approved ABR that is that bucket of funding for printed material, etc. So I recall, Roberto, that within this ABR request was a request for brochures for your ALS, so we can certainly move that one forward. But as we start implementing this in FY22 we'll be working closely with you on what kind of support it is that you need.

Moving on then to LACRALO their request for a civil society series of webinars was approved. Claudia, if you can move down. Thank you. Now this is a great success for LACRALO. This is a three-day virtual workshop on civil society and government. I think this will be extremely interesting for LACRALO, and we're already reaching out to GSE in that region to see how we can coordinate through our PEP, the At-Large regional policy engagement program. So well done to LACRALO.

I just want to take a little bit of time to look a the ones that were not approved just because I think there are some learning opportunities here. The key thing is that you'll see a lot of the AFRALO ones were unfortunately not approved. And even the other ones that were not approved that were regionally based, they all highlight that there's a greater need to work with GSE in your region and also in that regional strategy to make sure that it coordinates or complements that regional strategy there.

And then finally, there's one that I believe was submitted by AFRALO for the translation tool in French. And you'll see that actually there is—if we can just scroll down to where that AFRALO one is—you'll see that it's actually quite positive. It says ICANN Org will engage with AFRALO and consider its and all interested ICANN community groups' needs as part

of this effort. So I'm going to reach out to our tech support team and see where we are with the possibility of getting that translation tool for their mailing list.

So again, congratulations. I think it's a great job for all of At-Large and looking forward to implementing these. Back over to you, Maureen.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Heidi, and congratulations. Yes, congratulations to At-Large for first of all putting the applications in. I mean, you've got to be in to win. And I think that was really [inaudible] had a good number of applications and it really did show that people are thinking about what can make At-Large better. I really do appreciate that.

Okay, just carrying on from that therefore, I think that covered a lot of the things that we're going to be engaged in. It really does set a very high level of agendas for our workplan. And so let's move on to the other….

CLAUDIA RUIZ: So sorry to interrupt, Maureen. We have two hands up. First Judith and then Sebastien.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Oh, sorry. Sorry, I haven't got that on. Apologies, apologies. Judith? Sorry.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Hi. Yeah, thanks so much for mentioning about the RTT. Yes, please let me know if you want to help us select the French or the Spanish ones. We have been working on this for years, and we've only managed to get the English up. Although, it looks like we always had Spanish because the one that's [in the course says] English and Spanish. But unfortunately, the Spanish was refused last year and we only got the English, but it's in the title and we can't change that.

And there's also great work with the AFRALO and the Technology Task Force on the language interpretation. And Heidi and I…I know Heidi will keep me clued in and as well as TTF and others on the language interpretation tool. But I think it's just great work by everyone, and so I'm glad we finally got RTT after many tries.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Great. Thank you, Judith. Sebastien? And apologies.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Maureen. And don't apologize. That's okay. That's difficult to run everything at the same time. I just wanted to say globally that, yes, ABRs are well received this year and we are quite happy. And as it was just said, some of them were already for two or three times.

But I would like to note that for the EURALO ones there is one which is quite internal, the one to support our ALS for individual users. The two others are quite open. And I would like to stress that the one about diversity in ICANN leadership bodies is even not just for At-Large.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Sebastien, for those comments. Okay, so let's move on so we're sticking pretty close to time. RALO updates from the RALO chairs, anything of interest that hasn't been mentioned already? One thing I would like to hear about, I must admit, is Seun. I note that you have…AFRALO has got some webinars coming up.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Yes, [inaudible].

MAUREEN HILYARD: And I do note Alan has his up [inaudible].

SEUN OJEDEJI: Thanks. So, yes, we have a webinar coming up on the 28th within our [inaudible] webinar series. The webinar was supposed to be initially based on the DNS and [inaudible] related but we couldn't find a speaker for that. And so what we're going to be talking about is on what was DNS and [inaudible]. So one of the ICANN staff from the GSE team within the region will actually be doing that, will be our speaker for that [inaudible] webinar series.

Apart from that we are also participating in the current [AfrICANN-Africa] engagement for [inaudible]. And AFRALO will be

Therefore, we need to work with others. And I am sure that we will have to work together on that. Thank you.

having a session tomorrow to be on the panel tomorrow. It's called the committee public forum. So we'll be on the panel with other members of the community to continue discussions.

The individual…I mean, we are still in the process of finalizing on the individual membership rules. The session that's [inaudible] membership in our [inaudible] principles. And it would be good to hear from ALAC chair on whether the [inaudible] [report] is now considered final and whether ALAC has now made a decision on the report from the individual membership working party that was [constituted] by ALAC.

Apart from that preparations are going as usual for AFRALO-AfrICANN session. And we're currently [sourcing] for drafting team, and we'll be drafting on the topic of DNS abuse mitigation strategies. Thanks.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Seun. Sorry I missed your hand, Alan, before. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I'm on the previous topic. I hate to sound like a broken record, but the ALS mobilization report was approved almost six months ago. We had an estimated implementation time of six months, and we haven't started yet. Is it going to show up sometime on the work to be done? Which many of us spent a year putting together that report, and it would be nice to see if we actually start working on it.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yes, that will be one of the items, Alan, thank you. Thank you for reminding us. Good. Heidi, action item. Okay, I see Lianna's hand is up. Lianna?

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Thank you, Maureen. This is Lianna Galstyan, for the record, from APRALO. Since Satish is not on the call, I will give the update from APRALO. So already Ali talked a little bit about the mentoring program and the news that we just launched today, so that's a big project that we are running.

Also, we do have the [registered skills and interests] which I see can be very [inaudible] work that [inaudible] was [inaudible] the [expert] survey. Probably the very much [like of the work] and having all this [inaudible] the result of the work.

We do have an update which is not [inaudible] actually. That is the resignation of our vice chair from APRALO, Nadira, which was unplanned. And we still have one year of her term, so we are trying to figure out. I mean, we decided in the APRALO leadership that for the remaining of her term we will run the election process or the selection of someone for vice chair after the regular election for [this cycle], when we finish it. And we have this election as an agenda item, so we'll come to this later for [inaudible]. I think that is an update. We'll go do that within APRALO a little bit later for the second vice chair role.

And for our monthly meetings, we want to enhance actually the interest and the engagement from our members. And we did run a small working group to look at that and to strategize and to enhance the

participation. And we are trying to see which recommendation can be given to the leadership and what elements and [analysis] can be brought to [inaudible] meetings.

And one of the things that we started for this year actually to have the guest speakers. And I think many RALOs do this. We did have some topics about the end user implementation and the privacy policy. We had updates on the IDNs. [Edmon Chung] did that. We have invited Graeme Bunton for the [inaudible] DNS abuse [inaudible] that was very [inaudible] our members.

And toward what Alan was saying about the unaffiliated individuals and [organizations] we're going to have a report update for this month, which is tomorrow, for APRALO monthly call. And Roberto Gaetano will be giving the update on this report.

So basically that is the update from APRALO. If I missed anything, I will put it later in the chat or write it up. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Lianna. Yes, it's a very, very busy time in APRALO, as it is in all the RALOs. And we have Eduardo.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Maureen. And thank you, everyone. In NARALO we started working on our strategy for outreach and engagement for FY22. However, we want to launch a special social media idea and innovation out of the box where we want to use our social channels to do outreach, not only [inaudible] for outreach.

This strategy consists of [recasting] webinars, public webinars from ICANN and other places to all our channels including the ones, the ALSes that we have [inaudible] with the idea to expand these to all RALOs if it works. Currently so far we have increased [inaudible] and outreach of about ten members a week on our Facebook and about 20% of the [60] people that have been [inaudible] there have never seen before. So that tells me that we are doing some outreach [out there and] [inaudible].

I'm waiting for staff to let me know how do you [follow] with this because I was asked to stop doing this until somebody asked somebody [inaudible]. So I'd just like to have a timeline [inaudible] social media engagement and outreach that we're going to do in ICANN71 [inaudible].

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Eduardo. Heidi has put in the chat there's going to be an update shortly on some of the issues that you raised. But also there was a little bit of a…I don't know what my audio is like, but there was a little bit of a decrease in the level of the audio there for a while.

Okay so moving on, are there any other hands? Okay, that's good. No, it's good. It's really interesting to hear what's happening within the RALOs. And there is a page for each RALO anyway, and hopefully those pages are being populated. And we'll actually link those into the workplan as well.

Okay, so let's move on to the ICANN71.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Maureen, I'm sorry to interrupt again. Sebastien has put his hand up.

MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible]

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: It was late, Maureen. It's not your fault.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you very much for making that comment, Sebastien, but take the floor. I haven't started [inaudible].

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, but I will say it's a good segue because I wanted to say that you are always very busy to prepare the ICANN71. And the [three] events we are organizing are quite busy time to organize it because it's very short, but we hope that we will succeed.

And I wanted to add one point. It's what we call now the Flash Pitch Tour of ICANN and At-Large (by EURALO). It's also from my point of view or from a EURALO point of view [inaudible] both of the two groups who are working on mobilization of the ALSes and of the individual members as it's targeted to the members of the ALSes of EURALO and other people who want to join. Therefore, I hope that it will be one way to mobilize our members. Thank you very much.

MAUREEN HILYARD: That's great, Sebastien. And of course, it has been an introduction to our next item, ICANN71. I was just going to raise that we made a final decision about our involvement with regards to plenaries and policy sessions. And of course, for each of the plenaries we actually are involved in each of those. So it just means that we'd really like to have people attending those sessions to support our members.

But also that we're now actually going to have four topics. I thought we were only going to have three but there has been so much interest that Joanna is coordinating two sessions and Hadia is also coordinating two sessions.

So I think if you want to hear more about those, come along to the ICANN71 planning meetings because we really need to get feedback. We really need to hear, even though you may not be actually participating in a particular session or anything like that, it's really good to get your input that might help the people who are going to be within the sessions or planning the sessions to have that input.

So I've done my bit, and I think I'd like Gisella to now just take over and frame the logistics and anything else that people need to know about in order to be engaged in ICANN71. Thank you, Gisella.

GISELLA GRUBER: Thank you, Maureen. Just checking that you can hear me.

MAUREEN HILYARD: We can.

GISELLA GRUBER: Wonderful. Thank you very much. ICANN71, the virtual policy forum, I'm sure everyone on the call is now well aware of that. It will be running from 14-17 June and it will be running over four days. And with regards to At-Large we have a total of ten sessions during that week. However, as the virtual meetings have been running at the moment, there is what we call the prep week which is from 1-3 June. That is from Tuesday to Thursday as Monday the 31st is a bank holiday in the U.S.

And for the sessions for ICANN71 the sessions were posted on Monday. I've put the link for those in the Zoom room in the Zoom chat. Please register for those sessions.

With regards to the At-Large prep webinars they are listed on our one-stop shop which we have here in the Zoom room again for those on Zoom. We have a session on Monday, 7 June, which is ICANN71 At-Large: What to Expect. Maureen will be giving us an overview as well as those leading sessions the following week.

On Tuesday we've got the EURALO global town hall. We know that the EURALO session which Sebastien has just mentioned which is the Flash Pitch Tour of ICANN and At-Large (by EURALO), that will be running on Tuesday, 8 June, from 15:00-17:00 UTC.

And then on Wednesday, 9 June, we've got the At-Large Outreach and Engagement Session. The time hasn't yet been confirmed and will be updated very shortly on this page.

And then we have ICANN71 from 14-17 June. Please bookmark this page because this is where you will have all the latest information. There will be links to all the wiki pages, links to the agenda, and how to find all the necessary information that you need to make ICANN71 successful.

If I may also remind you to register for ICANN71. You'll see it's in big red at the top of this page. You will need to register to be able to access the schedule and also to be able to download all the sessions into your calendars.

Maureen, the individual meeting pages that you see here under ICANN71 have not yet been populated. We've literally just finalized the schedule which is still in a Google document format, and all the sessions will be transferred onto these meeting pages by tomorrow, 20 May, when we have our next ICANN71 planning committee call that Maureen mentioned. Anyone interested in what's happening, please do join the session at 17:00 tomorrow, Thursday, 20 May.

Maureen, is there anything else you would like to add at this stage? Would you like to go through the—they are listed on the agenda—the At-Large policy sessions? Would you like Joanna and Hadia to? You did say for people to join tomorrow if they're interested in any further details.

I think I've covered what people need to be doing now: bookmarking this page, registering for ICANN71, and making sure that they keep an eye on the sessions that are posted on this page because as we've said we have the intersessional week which is between ICANN Org prep week and ICANN71 itself. All the details will be sent to the various mailing lists

MAUREEN HILYARD: Very helpful. Thank you, Gisella. I just wondered, the Google doc that you mentioned, is that the draft block schedule? Is that it or is there a link on this page to the Google doc?

GISELLA GRUBER: Maureen, I'll add the link to the Google doc on this page and everyone can access it then. Apologies, I hadn't done it up to now as it was still very much a working document. So that will appear very shortly on this page.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Okay, [inaudible]. Thank you very much. Are there any questions? I'm leaving any of the details to ICANN71. We have them weekly and they're quite intensive, so we'll leave that for them. No questions because they're all planning on coming to the meeting. It's okay, Gisella, so we'll be fine.

Okay, so let's move on to the next item which is the elections. Heidi, you better give us a bit of a rundown on that.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Maureen. So, yes, all RALOs and all At-Large and ALAC positions are now open for nominations only through this Friday.

So please, there are several positions in some of the RALOs that still don't have any applications or candidates yet. So again, that is through 21 May.

Following that, people who have been nominated will have one week to submit their acceptances formally. Then we'll be reaching out with the RALO leadership to see if they would like to have calls with the candidates. That would be from 31 May to 4 June.

If there are contested contests, we will hold elections through 7-11 June. And again, those that are not contested, their positions will be agreed to by acclamation. And then everyone, all newly elected ALAC members and RALO leaders will be seated at the end of the 2021 AGM.

Maureen, back over to you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: All right, thank you. Are there any questions or queries? Any problems? Any issues? I know that as Lianna mentioned we have an issue in APRALO where we're having to fill a position with Nadira resigning. I don't know if you are aware that she's in Palestine, so that's one of the issues that we're actually dealing with. But if there aren't any questions or queries on that, we're moving ahead really, really well.

Let's go on to our final agenda item which was to look at the next call. One of the things that we have been discussing was perhaps having a standing time for our ALT-PLUS and our ALAC meetings. ALT-PLUS, first of all. Although we have had these regular Doodles which just drive me crazy and eventually what happens is we always seem to get back to the

same time because the people who actually respond basically come from the same area. So the standing time is, of course, 16:00.

Now I took that to the RALO chairs and we had a bit of a discussion about it. And for half the world, of course, 16:00 works out fine. But for the other half of the world it's actually a problem because it's the middle of the night for that region.

So it was decided that there does need to be at least a rotation of two, and for APRALO the time that has actually been decided on for their meetings is 6:00 UTC. Which means that it covers daytime for APRALO and that's quite appropriate for their APRALO meeting of course. But it would also be really sharing the pain with the other half of the world if we were able to have alternate 16:00 and 6:00 UTC as our times for ALT-PLUS.

Now we probably haven't got much time. I mean, I know that the meeting is down for 90 minutes in the time calendar, but I've got a busy day today and I have a need for this meeting to be an hour. But if there are any complaints about the time, the rotating time, it just would be very good to be able to offer the APRALO an opportunity to attend a meeting at a time when everybody can join.

Yes, and agreeing, Natalia, and I have asked staff for metrics in relation to the different times that we've had in the past. There's somebody looking at the ALAC meetings because that's more…the ALT-PLUS meetings have been chopped and changed a bit as to what we do in the meetings so we haven't got some regularity there.

But anyway, we've had the discussion. That was the decision that came out of it. And, yes, we've got a few minutes for discussion. Judith, your hand is up.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yes, is it possible for the rotating times to be similar to what we have the CPWG where we have the 13:00 and the later time? Because that works well for many other places. Whereas, the 6:00 UTC does not work well for North America and Latin America. But the CPWG manages I think to hit all the regions well, and so maybe we could look at something like that.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Yeah, well, I just wanted to mention that I actually don't make the 13:00 ones because it's 3:00 in the morning for me and it's just not a good time. Especially when I have the rest of the time up until that 10:00 of my morning on ICANN calls, a 3:00 start is really early, and then I have to do a day job. So, yeah, 16:00 is probably better for me but not great for anyone else in APRALO.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yeah. No, no, I understand that. But that's also why you're saying that you also have many people from North America who will skip the ones that are 6:00 UTC for that same thing.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Exactly. Okay, we've got Cheryl.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thanks, Maureen. I'm glad you finished with what was just said that Judith observed that people from North America and Latin America who may be inconvenienced by the time of the calls will need to skip or make hard choices to turn up. Which is exactly what the APAC area has had to do since ICANN's inception. That's kind of the purpose of sharing the pain. You make a decision to inconvenience yourself at great personal cost in some cases to turn up to an unfriendly timed meeting or you miss it and you pick it up with the next one. And that's just the fact of it.

That being said, I think the 6:00 could go back to 5:00 and still meet a lot of the APAC time spreads, so there may be a little bit of wiggle room there if that is more convenient. But, yeah, welcome to our world, basically.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Cheryl. Okay, well, in fact 5:00 was also suggested as well but I think the 6:00 thing came up because that's when APRALO holds its current meeting. [inaudible], you can have the last word because we're actually near the end. Thank you.

GREG SHATAN: Thanks. I would just say briefly there's obviously no time that works well for everyone. There is a time and date website where you can generation a 24-hour map if you will or 24-hour table which will show you good, bad, and terrible times around the world. And it can be instructive to take a deep look at that.

And I guess the issue is, can you actually find a time that is not between midnight and 7:00 AM for anyone? Or more to the point, who are you leaving out? It's actually much easier to schedule APAC and North America calls if you leave Europe out of the equation because then you have earlier mornings and later afternoons when we're 12 hours apart when everyone is awake but Europe is fast asleep. As soon as you throw Europe into the equation, you have a mess.

And of course, 5:00 or 6:00 UTC can be 5:00 or 6:00 in the morning in most of Europe, so it could be late night for Eastern United States or after bedtime for Eastern United States but before bedtime for the Western United States. And then you turn it 12 hours ahead and it's tolerable for the Eastern U.S. when it's 7:00 or 8:00 in the morning, but then when it's 4:00 or 5:00 in the morning on the West Coast then the West Coasters start having problems.

But I agree you have the larger part of this is what Cheryl said which is that APAC should not be the dumping ground for insomniacs where the rest of us are too tender and somehow APAC has to absorb all the pain because Europe and North America are the two that are being accommodated and South America and Africa kind of by luck perhaps. So if we decided to screw Europe, then everybody else can be fine is kind of the issue. So you kind of have to make your choice. And that's why you have rotation so that hopefully everyone can be equally screwed over time.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Greg. I mean, when you consider that there's actually a 12-hour spread between where Lianna is in Armenia and where I am in [the Cooks]. And there's already a 4-hour difference between me and Australia. So I know that a lot of the timing things always take it from the Western side to the Eastern and stops at Sidney, but they actually have to add another four hours to include my time. So trying to find, even within APRALO, trying to find a happy medium has been difficult to make sure that we get the optimum number of people attending our meetings.

And, you're right, if we're able to exclude a section, we do fine. But unfortunately, we can't do that. So we'll just have to juggle as much as we can the rotating times and sharing the pain. That's just something that we in At-Large have actually had to learn to do. Because it's not just sharing the pain for our meetings. It's sharing the pain…like we don't get an opportunity to share the pain with GNSO meetings. They just have their meetings at a set time and that's it. If you want to be part of their group, you just have to go at their time. And for three years I did 2:00 meetings with the auction proceeds. It's just what I do.

Natalia, you're going to have to have the last word.

NATALIA FILINA: Thank you, Maureen. Speaking very shortly. If we are talking about the time zones and people who will keep some sessions, if you know EURALO will take the lead in social media work for ICANN71 and I will ask and I am asking now the moderators of our sessions to help us and to make a short summary with [inaudible] to post in social media

networks. This summary for people who don't have the time to attend our session. And I think it will be our [inaudible] [great respect] for people who skip our sessions. Thank you.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you, Natalia. I don't see any other hands, so I would like to conclude this meeting so that I can actually get ready for my day before the CPWG meeting starts. So I'd like to thank everyone for being here and a very productive meeting. And we'd like to see you in our working group calls, all those working groups that were mentioned in today's session. Don't forget the ICANN71. That's sort of top priority at the moment. And also, if you haven't got your nominations in, get them in by Friday.

So have a great day or night wherever you might be, and thank you for coming. Take care.

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