
CLAUDIA RUIZ:

Good morning, good afternoon, good evening to everyone. Welcome to the ALAC Subcommittee on Outreach and Engagement call on Thursday the 15th of September 2021 at 16:00 UTC.

On the call today on the English channel, we have Daniel Nanghaka, Alfredo Calderon, Aris Ignacio, Bram Fudzulani, Eduardo Diaz, Glenn McKnight, Hadia Elminiawi, Isaac Maposa, Joanna Kulesza, Laxmi Prasad, Maureen Hilyard, Roberto Gaetano, Sarah Kiden, Shreedeeep Rayamajhi.

On the Spanish channel, we have Harold Arcos and Lilian Ivette De Luque.

We have received apologies from Cheryl Langdon-Orr.

Our Spanish interpreters for today are Veronica and Marina.

From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Adam Peake, and myself, Claudia Ruiz on call management.

Before we begin, I would like to remind everyone to please state your name before speaking for the transcription purposes and so the interpreters can identify you on the other language channels. Thank you very much, and with this, I turn the call over to you, Daniel.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much for that, Claudia. I'd like to welcome all the members on the call to this call for outreach and engagement. It's been quite a while since we had a Subcommittee on Outreach and

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Engagement meeting because of a series of activities that have been taking place. We were all slammed in all different angles with all the respective tasks that had to be done.

I'm happy to share that after ICANN 71, the different liaisons had to go into working on their respective strategies, and that's one of the reasons why we couldn't hold a call, and we shall be able to hear at a later point various updates regarding the strategies that they developed. And amidst all these challenging pandemic times is the fact that the vaccine is becoming more and more readily available, events are beginning to take a hybrid mode and also some events are beginning to take physical appearances for face-to-face meetings. But still, there are a lot of things that have to be done, to be taken into consideration.

Before I started the call, there was already a conversation that was being led by Olivier updating how various vaccines are taking on, travel restrictions. But hopefully, by the time we get to ICANN 73, all that will be resolved and we shall be able to have at least a less worrying meeting.

We shall be having our usual outreach and engagement sessions, and during the pre-week, we shall be having an O&E update with the At-Large welcome session whereby we shall be giving updates on what we intend to do as far as outreach and engagement is concerned, and also the various liaisons, we shall be able to get a comprehensive report on the various adjustments towards outreach and engagement and also various webinars that have been taking place.

So despite all this and we have not been having face-to-face events, I'm happy to share that the Capacity Building Working Group and the Social Media Working Group have been so much on top of their game taking advantage of the events being virtual. And I think that is a very big plus to them.

And since social media is taking up almost the way communication is done, also feeding into the previous communication strategy, we are leveraging all respective channels to make sure that we have the best of engagement with all the members, keeping the community abreast and also making sure that all the policy discussions and engagements are taking place at a very high level.

One thing I should say, let's all not lose morale, let's make sure that we are always there to engage in various activities and policy discussions and having various inputs.

Also, during this meeting I'm happy to announce that the ICANN 72 planning is being done by NARALO since they are the hosts of ICANN 72, and they'll be giving an update on what their respective plans are.

On this note, allow me to proceed to the next agenda item, which is the ICANN 72 update with steps from staff and then also from NARALO. Let me give the floor to staff.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Hello everyone. I'll go ahead and give a very brief update on At-Large 72 planning. It is still in progress, so what I'm going to update you on is what has already been confirmed.

The first, I think very exciting, event is that At-Large will be holding most of its sessions during what is now called the At-Large week. And this is the intersessional week, the week prior to the AGM.

And the reason—there are many reasons for doing this. One is that it allows the calls to be held at a globally friendly time rather than the pacific daylight time which for some of you would be really early in your morning or very late at night.

The other advantage is that by having those meetings during that week prior to the AGM, it allows all of you to attend the meetings during the AGM that you might wish to attend. For example, the plenaries, some of the other SOAC sessions as well. So it does allow you to cover more content at that time.

I do know that we wanted to have a welcome session on the Monday of the At-Large week. I believe that's the 18th of October. In that session, as Daniel has mentioned, there'll be several updates from the Consolidated Policy Working Group, from the Capacity Building Working Group, from the Outreach and Engagement Working Group. So it'll be a really good update session there.

Then moving on, there's going to be three policy sessions. I'll put the ICANN 72 workspace—as Gisella always says, this is your one-stop-shop. Please do bookmark this page. That page will be updated once we have all of the sessions completed, that page will be updated very often, so that'll have the latest information for you. And then I'm also going to go ahead and put in what the policy session are.

The first one is going to be, I believe, on Tuesday, and that is the closed generics being led by Jonathan Zuck. The second one is Joanna on DNS abuse. Not sure if she'd like to just give a brief update on that.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Yes. Thank you, Heidi. Hi everyone. Indeed, during ICANN 72, there hopefully will be a DNS abuse-focused session as part of the At-Large week. We are very much looking forward to this as an opportunity to on one hand benefit from the ICANN meeting itself and on the other hand to welcome DNS abuse discussion into the At-Large forum, so as opposed to a plenary where we would need to accommodate the diverse interests and a presentations from SOs and ACs, we will hold a DNS abuse-focused discussion with At-Large participants.

Now, we proposed this session originally as a plenary, and there was quite a lot of discussion among the program committee members expressing various concerns about the scope and the agenda. So we decided to hold this as an At-Large plenary which will be open to everyone willing to join. And we have received input, information, interest from various constituencies. We are working on finalizing the agenda.

But this session itself is linked with two ABRs that the At-Large is implementing despite the challenges that Daniel discussed at the beginning. So we're looking at two ABRs, one focused on DNS abuse and recent European advancements that might impact ICANN policies, and the other one is focused on an end user survey that will help us better

understand what it is that end users actually want to see reflected in ICANN policies.

This session will be a part of that broader debate on understanding DNS abuse. We will host members of the different constituencies, but the focus will be on end users and end user interests, so we will try to have a complete narrative that we can produce among different constituencies on DNS abuse. And if I'm looking at the agenda correctly, I can see that we will get back to that topic also when IGF is concerned and when capacity building is concerned.

Following on this theme that we agreed upon three years ago now I think during one of the last face-to-face meetings to focus on DNS abuse, enhanced efforts have been produced by both the Capacity Building Working Group and EURALO to ensure that this discussion is moving forward despite the challenges that we are all witnessing.

I'm going to stop here. Thank you very much, Heidi, for this opportunity, and thank you, Daniel. But again, I'm happy to chime in with regards to capacity building efforts and IGF efforts that are all linked with the DNS abuse. Thank you very much.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Thank you very much, Joanna. So that was the second policy session, and as Gisella has put into the chat, the third is hosted by Sébastien in EURALO and that is the ICANN accountability and transparency and ICANN reviews, and this proposal aims to both explore the ATRT3

recommendations regarding reviews and the Board approval of the ATRT final report.

It's also going to expand on the understanding of the perspective of all the ICANN constituencies on the implementation of the recommendations. And here, At-Large is quite ahead because they've been working in a small group on the prioritization, including the ATRT3.

That session is going to be on Wednesday, that's the third session and it's going to be held in two parts. The second session will be a discussion with the participants and also the CEO, Göran Marby. So those are the policy sessions.

There's also going to be events. We'll hear from Glenn and Eduardo about some of the NARALO events. There'll be a meeting with the SSAC as well. And I think that's all for that week. The second week, the AGM itself will be the ALAC meeting with the Board on Monday and also on, I believe, Tuesday. Gisella, correct me if I'm incorrect here. Please, there'll be a meeting with the GAC. And then finally, on the final day of the AGM on Thursday, there'll be the wrap up.

And I know I've missed the AFRALO-AfrICANN meeting, so that's going to be held, I believe, during the AGM as well. I need to confirm that. Back over to you unless there are any questions, Daniel.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Heidi, for those remarks [inaudible] Joanna. There's quite a lot that is going to be happening despite the fact that the time we're holding ICANN 72 is going to span through a good three

days, from the 23rd to the 25th. So I encourage all the members on the call to update their calendars such that you can have full participation and also encounter these various engagements.

Over the years, ICANN has been so much active in the IGF, and with that, I'm happy to say that we have Adam Peake on the call who's going to be giving us updates on what we're planning to do in Katowice. Natalia and Joanna, since they're all there—and actually, I think Joanna is one of the [inaudible] since it's taking place in her country, we can get more concrete information on how we are planning. Some At-Large activities, we have also a page of the At-Large activities. I also encourage you to visit there. Let's hear updates from Adam, Joanna and Natalia.

ADAM PEAKE:

Thank you very much, Daniel. I'm also probably speaking a little bit as an IGF MAG member which is something we do in our personal capacities. So yeah, the IGF Katowice Poland is taking a very typical format for an Internet Governance Forum. There'll be a day zero event day which will be the 5th of December. The main meeting of the IGF will be the 6th to the 10th. There'll be an opening ceremony on the 6th and a closing ceremony on the 10th, which is no surprise. But these will be high-level events, UN secretary general, the prime minister of Poland, ministers from around the world, all of these have been invited. And the caveat with all of this of course is, COVID permitting. So we will see what happens with that. The travel that is available, the visas, the access to consular agencies which we're hearing is difficult, etc. So these are

things that are out of many people's control. It's a global issue of course.

So a very typical IGF. But what has been added is that the government of Poland has throughout been very keen to show a new stakeholder group as they think of it, which is game and software developers. So on the 11th and 12th of December, there'll be an event they're calling Game Jam, which will introduce people from around Europe and the world hopefully, talking about gaming, the policy issues, technology and so on, and also software development. We will of course look at that and see if there's an avenue for introducing universal acceptance, although I think it's probably a different area from software development from the one that UA would be relevant to.

So as I mentioned, the high-level track and the invitations have gone out to ministers and relevant departments and also to parliamentarians. There's a very strong push this year to include parliamentarians as a stakeholder group, and this is coming from the UN secretary general and work that's come out of what was called the roadmap on—I forget the full name. Anyway, a roadmap on the future of Internet governance mechanism and so on.

So we will see a lot of parliamentarians, and invitations have been issued through the interparliamentary union. There is a track started for that, and I've put information into the chat earlier on. As I said, I'm a little bit concerned that my operating system on my laptop has been updating for a very long time, but it's always going to happen just when I'm in a session, it'll restart itself. So let's hope it doesn't. But the link to the parliamentary information is there.

Also carrying on at the moment, we are beginning a preparatory stage for the IGF, and the idea of this is that over the next couple of months, before we reach December, there'll be a series of open sessions which will give people who want to attend the IGF an idea of what to expect during those five or six days or seven or eight days if you want to attend the game jam as well. That will include sessions covering each of the main sessions, introducing the main themes of the IGF which are described in the main sessions, and then other things such as what the parliamentary chat will be about, what the high-level issues are, how the hybrid meeting approach will work—which of course is relevant to us in that the IGF and the MAG are thinking about how to conduct the IGF as a hybrid meeting, much the same as we are beginning to consider how we will conduct ICANN 73 as a hybrid. So there's some things going on with how that will work, and perhaps we can learn from each other.

In the general program, I think 78 workshops were accepted. I see Glenn mentioning—I reviewed workshops and I don't remember. There was one that was from At-Large members, but I recused myself from that because of my association with the At-Large, of course. I felt I have a conflict of interest on that.

I don't think that workshop was accepted, but it's going back to May now so I'm not 100% certain. I'm sorry, I should have checked that. So 77 to 79 workshops, all of them will be hybrid. Some of them will be where the organizers and all the speakers will be online, some of them may be where all the organizers and speakers are onsite, but the idea is that it won't matter too much because everybody will be participating via the Zoom platform, very much as we do now.

Best practice forums, dynamic coalitions. I know some of you were involved with open forums. ICANN will have an open forum as it usually does. Just trying to think, the issues we're talking about. Oh, I should say we also have a booth which we have yet to have our first discussion about, but I'm sure depending on how it all works out, we will be inviting communities to participate in that.

We have a workshop on the state of DNS privacy technologies, which is proposed by OCTO, the office of the CTO. Our open forum will be called building blocks to meaningful connectivity, and will be broadly around universal acceptance. There'll also be a youth IGF tutorial on the DNS root and operations, how it works.

I'm involved in a session for parliamentarians next week on September the 23rd, which is an introduction to the Internet, how it works. I'm doing that with Chris Buckridge from RIPE NCC and Olof Kolkman from ISOC. Wolfgang Kleinwaechter will then talk about Internet governance and the history of Internet governance, and how Internet governance evolved.

And yeah. Registration is open, so please register. And as I said, the preparatory stage, there's information on the IGF website about that. And it might be interesting just to see how the IGF is developing. I think that's it.

Right. Yeah. Olivier. David Conrad is in the process of leaving ICANN. I think his last day is October the 1st or end of September. I'm not sure. So we have the office and we have John Crain I think who's standing in for him at the moment. But the office and the staff is still there and

producing. Anyway, so yeah, it wasn't David's program at the IGF, it was the office and the staff that worked with him.

So thank you. I think that's it. If you have any questions, I'll do my best to answer them.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Adam. Joanna, would you like to say something, you being [inaudible] in the host country?

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you very much. I think Adam covered it quite comprehensively, so indeed, the program of the IGF is intended to reflect a usual IGF meeting whereas speaking on the situation on the ground, well, it is going to be a hybrid meeting. And to be honest, I'm still trying to figure out whop from the panelists syndicated in the program will actually make it on the ground in Katowice. And hopefully into other Polish cities.

The local pandemic situation is not bad travel-wise, but the number of infections is indeed increasing. Kids have just gone into schools. So we are expecting a fourth wave, to be honest. With this in mind, planning for December still proves challenging.

I will be happy to share further details the closer we get to December and the more information that I have, but at this point, it seems as if we might indeed want to focus on the meeting being hybrid with a focus on the virtual connectivity.

Just to add on top of all the highlights that Adam shared, there is a focus on youth as well. the Polish government has been pushing very strongly to make this IGF a youth-focused event. So if you are browsing the schedule, do make sure to make sure all discussions that the local youth IGF committee has put together.

I'll stop here. I see my name on the agenda in the following time slot as well, so I'm happy to link all of that together with the DNS abuse and with the IGF to culminate with capacity building activities. Thank you very much.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you, Joanna. All the same, you'll be coming next again still in the agenda as we are proceeding to get the working group updates and we shall be starting with you and Alfredo giving updates on the Capacity Building Working Group.

ALFREDO CALDERON:

Thank you, Daniel. I'm going to defer to Joanna and Hadia who is also on the call to speak on behalf of the Capacity Building Working Group activities.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you, Alfredo. Yes indeed, it might be a wonderful idea to let Hadia take the floor, if you could recap us on the webinar section, that would be wonderful, and then I'm happy to chime in with everything that's going on outside the small webinars working group that you have

been so wonderfully leading. Hadia, if you're available, I'm happy to give you the floor.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Just while Hadia is trying to unmute, I wanted to highlight—and perhaps Claudia can help me with the link—the capacity building webinars group in mid-August I believe did send out an expert survey. It's a database to help them identify who might be speakers on upcoming webinars. So the response rate has not been outstanding, unfortunately, so I'm going to see if we can get that link put in. The survey is online, it's in five languages I believe, the five UN plus Portuguese. So a lot of languages there. It only takes a few minutes. And again, it's asking what your expertise is so the webinars team can identify potential speakers for upcoming webinars. Thank you very much.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you very much, Heidi. I'm reading in the chat that Hadia is having connectivity issues, so just let me briefly recap the wonderful work that the webinars group has been doing.

There is a dedicated website where you can find the topics of the webinars as they happen. Traditionally now, since we have been working online for a couple of years almost, there has been a hiatus in August and we are thinking about holding the webinars for the time of the annual meeting just to make sure we don't overload the timeframe that needs to be dedicated to ICANN to participate fully.

So clearly, do feel free to look at the topics that are planned for the webinars in the coming weeks and months. The database that Heidi mentioned was part of the capacity building webinars subgroup effort, wonderfully led or supported also by Abdulkarim. We are trying to put together a database of those At-Large members who feel confident about a certain issue and could be volunteered to speak on [inaudible] related topics.

Outside of the webinars, the two ICANN Learn courses have been launched. I believe we will also use these as a point of reference for the ICANN 72 meeting that is happening. We are also working to combine our efforts more closely with the GAC. There has been discussion about building a joint shared capacity building platform with the GAC, and that is something that we are taking advanced steps towards.

And we are also thinking about this already mentioned today DNS focus to make sure that on one hand, we have the metrics and the policy input but on the other hand, we have informed users. And speaking of DNS abuse capacity building, let me just briefly note that on the next week, there is another EURALO roundtable happening. We will look more closely into the DNS abuse and EU regulations during that roundtable, leaving ample space for questions and comments.

There will be a capacity building element to this. We are having researchers invited who will speak on their comments on Internet governance and intermediary liability. So we are expanding the scope with a regional focus on capacity building also one of the [light motives] we've had within At-Large for the capacity building [inaudible].

There are webinars organized by RALOs. AFRALO has been doing a wonderful job also holding webinars. If we do have members of that group—and I'm certain Daniel is well aware of that webinar's agenda—I'm happy to give them the floor as well.

So in that sense, I believe we have been keeping the [inaudible] capacity building during this challenging time, but at the same time, let us note that the policy work has been given priority with capacity building chiming in on those topics that we feel are relevant for policy development purposes.

I'm going to stop here. The speaking slot for Hadia, should she wish to take it, is still open, but if the technical challenges persist, I'm happy to give the floor back to Daniel. Thank you.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Joanna. Just to follow up, Hadia, are you still interested in speaking? If yes, you could proceed and make your inputs. Okay, I see Hadia has just posted a link about the AFRALO webinars that have been going on. They've been a very good center for engagement, especially for the AFRALO region. And I also encourage other members to follow up with the respective webinars going on because they help to enhance knowledge about various policies and the work within capacity building.

Sorry, Hadia, about your audio. With that, allow me to proceed to getting updates from Denise Hochbaum who is currently the new lead from NARALO who'll be giving updates about some working group which is the Social Media Working Group. Denise, you have the floor.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Daniel, I don't believe Denise is on the call. So I'm not sure whether Eduardo or Glenn [inaudible] update.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Can we take this under item 2(b) and we just cover the whole thing, or do you want me to do it here?

DANIEL NANGHAKA: If that's the suggestion, then probably, we could proceed to the next item, which is the updates from the regional liaisons, and there are so far only two regions that have completed their strategies. That is AFRALO and NARALO. I got a message from Natalia that EURALO is also in progress of working on their strategies, but I'm happy to hear updates from the other regions as well. Let me give the floor to AFRALO. AFRALO is [inaudible] go to AFRALO. Isaac, you have the floor. Is someone speaking from AFRALO? I don't hear anyone. Bram?

BRAM FUDZULANI: Thank you. So from the AFRALO, I think you had pointed out [inaudible] that we have just finished our FY22 strategy, and we had a meeting I think not two weeks ago just to go through the approved process of the strategy itself. When we finalized the drafting of the strategy, we give the community members about two weeks for [inaudible] before we make [inaudible] copy of the strategy itself.

So the meeting that we had last week was just to thank the community members and also chart the way forward on how we're going to implement our strategy. It has now been posted on our Wiki. We will soon be convening the meeting with staff and the AFRALO leadership to agree on how we are going to operationalize our strategy. We were late to the party compared to other RALOs, but I'm happy to report now that we have final working document which has been posted in the week. Thank you so much.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Bram, for that update. Let me give the floor to NARALO. Eduardo.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you. The region approved our outreach and engagement plan, and it calls for the engagement part—based on the results from last year, we are going to continue to use our monthly calls mostly for educational purposes. We'll bring in people to talk about different things in each call. That seems to have [hold] the number of people that participate every month. We were not able to increase the number of members to come to the monthly call, but—so we plan to do the same thing. At least we have a constant number of people that are coming into this meeting.

On the outreach part, we are going to be heavily based on the social media, mostly on this idea of doing live streaming on all [presenting] webinars that have been done before on the social media networks or channels. And the idea behind that is that will motivate our ALSes and

individual members to not only subscribe to our channels but to share what we are producing in these channels with their own networks.

And the metrics that we're going to use—because we need to have a way of measuring this outreach—is the number of people that get subscribed to our channels. Now, this is something that I'm planning to present to the regional leaders because I think we should not only use this outreach only for NARALO, but I think we can use this globally in some sense. I'm going to mention that in that meeting. But that's mainly our plan, and you can go and read more details about it [in the web.] Thank you.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Eduardo. I can see Glenn also shared some of the social media posters for the NARALO social event. So I'm going to encourage the members to kindly [inaudible] and also to have more online engagement through sharing of the various social media [inaudible] streams.

In case there is any member from EURALO, LACRALO or APRALO—yes, I think Hadia's audio is back. Allow me to get back to Hadia so that she can give us a quick update regarding the capacity building webinars. Hadia, please.

HADIA ELMINIAWI:

[inaudible] 2021. So all in all, we had seven webinars. The first one was in February, it was social media best practices, and then we had another one in February that Jonathan Zuck [inaudible]. In March, we had

Jonathan also with giving better online presentations, and then in April, Melissa Allgood with the consensus playbook with a focus on At-Large. We had Jonathan again in May with creating videos with PowerPoint, and then we had Melissa Allgood again with At-Large facilitation skills.

I must [say here] that all the workshops conducted by Melissa were interactive workshops with breakout sessions and breakout rooms. So actually, the attendance was very good, and the participants were also very much engaged. So I would say it was useful as much as all the other webinars or workshops, but it had more of a workshop style with interaction and breakout rooms. So I think we look forward to having more of these workshops.

And then we had also the APRALO webinar on [inaudible] webinars in August, and we had planned a webinar with Sandra on intercultural At-Large virtual workshop. We [inaudible] for September. However, we have not been able to organize it up until now. And then we were also looking for a DNS abuse user education [program] to be launched, and the idea behind it is one webinar by At-Large and then it would be followed by a series of webinars conducted by each RALO. And Joanna and myself will need to coordinate on this.

So this is a quick summary of what we've been doing. I think it's been a very good year so far, and we look forward to your suggestions and more participation. Thank you.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much, Hadia. At least that is quite [inaudible] of what capacity building is doing. Let me get back to the regional updates. Let's

give the floor to Lilian from LACRALO to share information regarding LACRALO. Lilian, please, you have the floor.

LILIAN IVETTE DE LUQUE:

Well, for the fiscal year 2022, LACRALO is working on an outreach and engagement plan focused on improving the spaces, the members, increasing the number of activities, participants compared to the previous year. In 2021, the focus was on keeping the participation despite the COVID-19 pandemic and the lockdowns throughout the world.

So our goal for the next fiscal year, 2022, is to make efforts towards increasing and maintaining our attendance in the monthly calls and meetings of our region and promoting the engagement of the ALS members in the various working group sessions, particularly policy, budget and operations and all the other groups that may be of their interest, and also continue increasing the number of registered ALSes with the aim of increasing the number of individual members as well.

And we also want to increase the engagement of Latin America end users in the policy development of ICANN, certainly those that are related to our region, to LACRALO. And we also want to promote through events or perhaps through direct contact to provide a broad explanation on how an organization of end users can become an At Large Structure for LACRALO and how a person can become an individual member of LACRALO.

We are going to put our focus on the Latin America and Caribbean countries that are at present not represented. We are also going to

promote spaces to interact and exchange with the Latin America and Caribbean community to promote the knowledge on the ICANN ecosystem with an emphasis on the LACRALO members. In our plan—and it is still preliminary—we are exploring the continuity of our capacity building program, which we are conducting through monthly webinars viewed in our monthly calls.

And this will be primarily focused on the topics that are being currently discussed in ICANN to enhance the knowledge of all these topics for the Latin America and Caribbean community. We will continue promoting the debates and the questions on the topics to be discussed on the webinars and we are also going to add to our agendas some of the discussions that are being held in the Consolidated Policy Working Group, and in all working groups of At-Large in general, in our monthly calls as well.

And we will try to drive the participation of ALS members. we will continue with the publication of our newsletter which is a tool to disseminate and provide updates on everything that is going on in the ICANN and Latin America and Caribbean ecosystem.

And finally, we're going to promote [inaudible] participation in either hybrid or virtual meetings of the various subregions into which LACRALO is divided in Latin America and Caribbean in ICANN meetings as well and increase the participation of new and active members.

We will also continue paying special attention to IDN and universal acceptance issues. The region is strongly involved in universal acceptance efforts. Many of us are members of the technical and

communications team of the universal acceptance group as well as the initiatives of technical education of end users on universal acceptance. And this is something we are conducting from a specific working group in LACRALO.

We have the lac digital forum which provides thematic content and knowledge distributed across our four subregions. This will allow us to adjust ourselves according to the circumstances because of the global issues. Could be through hybrid or face-to-face or virtual meetings.

And finally, we intend to hold both hybrid and virtual meetings for the four subregions during ICANN meetings for 2022. So basically, the mission is to strengthen and promote engagement and the commitment of our region within the larger ICANN community. Thank you very much.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Thank you very much for those updates. I'm seeing in the chat there's some discussion about gaming. I think [inaudible] of some interest, especially how can we integrate gaming together with the domain policy work, that's food for thought. And also, Glenn has been sharing information that some of their webinars have been shared on our social media, and the links have also been provided respectively here. Kindly visit those links. Thank you very much, Glenn, for sharing all that.

Since we are coming towards the end of the call, allow me to proceed to the next agenda item, which is Any Other Business. In case you have something that you need to share on the call, I welcome you to put up your hands.

Seeing no hands up on this, I'd like to adjourn this call. We shall send out a call on when the next meeting will be held. Thank you all once again for attending the call, thank you to staff and thank you to the interpreters, and thank you to all the team that has been able to join this call today.

Thank you all. Have a great day, a great evening and a good night. Bye.

CLAUDIA RUIZ:

Thank you everyone. This meeting is adjourned. Please enjoy the rest of your day.

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