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Dear AFRALO Colleagues,

Acceptance of nomination

I am honoured to accept this nomination for a second term as an ALAC Member. It has been an interesting journey, transitioning from AFRALO Secretariat to ALAC Member. There has been a lot of growth and learning, hence my decision to run again for another term.

During my first term, I have had the opportunity to contribute through various working groups and discussions. Particularly, as a member of the Unaffiliated Individuals Mobilization Working Party (UI-Mob-WP), I participated in discussions during working party meetings, which experience helped me contribute actively during the AFRALO Rules of Procedure (RoP) exercise to review Unaffiliated Individual Membership rules. I have also participated in planning for ICANN meetings, and represented our group on panels and engagements like the Africa Engagement Forum that was organised by the Global Stakeholder Engagement (GSE) team for Africa. Additionally, I recently joined the WS2 Community Coordination Group. We have had 2 meetings so far, which have sparked my interest in engaging with other constituencies on issues of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). I would love to continue contributing within the At-Large Community and specifically in AFRALO.

Outside the ICANN Community, I am a Marie Curie Research Fellow on Open Design of Trusted Things (OpenDoTT), a joint programme between the Northumbria University and Mozilla, exploring how to build a more open, secure, and trustworthy Internet of Things (IoT). My project explores possibilities for smaller-scale local IoT technology and how communities and neighbourhoods can be supported in making the best use of them.

I am grateful for the opportunity to continue serving the community.

Please see my Statement of Interest ([SOI](#))

Kind regards,

Sarah Kiden