



"... LACRALO is the space through which Internet users in Latin America and the Caribbean Islands can channel their input on ICANN's agenda (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers), representing their genuine interests..." Andrés Piazza, representative of AGEIA DENSI (Association; Academic Law, Economics and Business Studies and Research Group in the Information Society) in LACRALO.



"... At ICANN, the Internet users' organizations have the opportunity to assert our rights and make decisions on global communication policies applied to the Internet, and that's why it is essential to participate and get involved..." Sergio Salinas Porto, representative of the Argentinean Association of Internet Users (Internauta Argentina) in LACRALO.



"... We participate in ICANN so that the voice of the Internet's end-users can be heard by the global Internet governance..." Sylvia Herlein, representative of the Brazilian Association of Internet Users (Internauta Brazil) in LACRALO.



"... We actively participate in ICANN because we believe that the Internet is a powerful instrument for economic and social development, which reinforces the capacity to improve the quality of life of both citizens and users. You can participate too. Join us. Antonio Medina Gómez, representative of the Colombian Association of Internet Users in LACRALO.

You can help to achieve a more useful and safer Internet for everyone.

**Get involved by joining us at LACRALO**

How to join us:

For further information about LACRALO and the benefits of participating in an At-Large Structure, please visit: [Http: // www.atlarge.icann.org /](http://www.atlarge.icann.org/) LACRALO

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## The Internet needs every one of us!

**ICANN** (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers)

**LACRALO** (Latin American and Caribbean Islands At-Large Regional Organization)

***"Let's get involved and  
build a better Internet."***

*If you are participating in a Latin American or Caribbean final users' organization, and you are interested in related issues, you can help to influence the operation, growth, and development of the Internet.*

*All interested Latin American and Caribbean civil society organizations are invited to join LACRALO, to be part of the choices that govern the Internet.*





## About Us

LACRALO (Latin American and Caribbean Islands At-Large Regional Organization) is comprised by the ALSs (At-Large Structures) of Latin America and the Caribbean, accredited by ALAC (At-Large Advisory Committee), as a mechanism to ensure and promote the regional users participation in the policies development process of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) [www.icann.org](http://www.icann.org)

ICANN manages the names and unique identification numbers of Internet, such as domain names and IP addresses.

LACRALO connects the civil society organizations that represent the interests of the Internet's consumers in Latin America and the Caribbean, making it possible to get our voices and opinions heard within ICANN's bottom up, consensus-based multi-stakeholder process of global Internet policies development.



LACRALO has different and varied organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean Islands, which are organized in At-Large Structures (ALSs) working on issues related to Internet. To ensure that the various realities of Latin America and the Caribbean are represented, we invite those members from throughout the region to join us in such representation. If your organization focuses on improving security and privacy issues of the Internet's final users and/or on consumer protection, you're invited to participate and work with us.

## "At-Large"

"At Large" is the name of the community of Internet final users involved in ICANN's policy development process. There are currently over 100 active At-Large Structures representing the opinions of final Internet users.

At-Large provides a participation space so that worldwide users can participate in matters that are part of ICANN's work, such as:

- Guidance on how to run Internationalized Domain Names (IDN);
- How to introduce new gTLDs (.Info, .Name, .Museum);
- How to implement a stable and fair transition from IPv4 to the next Internet addresses generation, IPv6.

You can learn more about the community and its activities at [www.atlarge.icann.org](http://www.atlarge.icann.org) and by contacting any of the At-Large



## About ICANN

To reach another person on the Internet you have to type an address into your computer - a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN coordinates these unique identifiers across the world. Without that coordination we wouldn't have one global Internet. ICANN was formed in 1998. It is a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation with participants from all over the world dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable.

It promotes competition and develops policy on the Internet's unique identifiers. Through its coordination role of the Internet's naming system, ICANN has an important impact on the expansion and evolution of the Internet.

### Our Main Topics

ICANN's policies affect us all, every time we connect to the Internet. At the Latin American and Caribbean Islands At-Large Regional Organization (LACRALO) we are particularly interested in addressing issues such as: new generic top-level domains (gTLDs), trademarks, Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs), transition from IPv4 to IPv6, representation and protection of Internet end-users, democratization of ICANN, multilingualism and civil society participation.

