

My name is Lia Patricia Hernández Pérez, a lawyer from Panama and a member of the Madrid Bar Association (ICAM) as well. I studied a Master's in New Technologies Law at the University of Bologna, Italy and I obtained a scholarship from the AECID to study a Master's in Telecommunications and ICT Law at the Carlos III University of Madrid, Spain, where I was also a lecturer.

Founder of IPANDETEC, the first digital rights organization in Panamá working in Central American. Member of the International Association of Technology Law (ITECHLAW), Chair of the International Association for Privacy Professionals (IAPP) and International Network of Privacy Law (INLP) for Panama, and member of the Ibero-American Data Protection Observatory with which he obtained a research award from the Basque Data Protection Agency. I am also a member of the program committee of the Internet Governance Forum for Latin America and the Caribbean (IGF), Coordinator of the Panama and Central American Internet Governance Forum (IGF), and founder member of the Research Council of the Global Forum on Cyber expertise (GFCE). I am very active in the ecosystem of Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) as a Non-Commercial User Constituency (NCUC) and Final User Internet member and partner of the Latin-American Initiative of Open Data (ILDA)

I am applying to the ALAC Delegate to Nomcom in pursuit of my experience in the internet governance ecosystem in my region: Central America. I have a solid career in academic and digital rights consultant research. I entered policy research because I was the Executive Directress of a digital rights organization based in Panama City but working in Central America. This interest was confirmed by my advocacy and research work, which included papers, and projects on the digital economy, data protection, privacy, cybersecurity. These advocacy and research experiences also led me to discover that I enjoy policy work, especially the intersection between technology and human rights and the fair use of digital platforms in local and regional contexts.

My interest in digital platforms led me to explore the subfield of the enforcement of data protection regulations by digital platforms. I entered policy research because I enjoy the comparative process of national and international frameworks, the process of interpreting according to international standards, and the structural work to generate a policy paper.

I am fascinated with policy and very much enjoy research. I especially enjoy preparing research about media, and the digital economy and doing awareness work with impact. I am interested to collaborate and finally be part of a leadership position in LACRALO to well represented my region and my country and to explore the possibility to create a network with colleagues with my same interests from other RALOs.

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