Dear All,

It is with honour and gratitude that I am writing to accept my nomination to the position of AFRALO Chairperson. I thank Sarah for her trust and nomination and thank you all for giving me the opportunity to run for the role. I understand fully the responsibilities of the role and look forward if elected to working with all of the AFRALO community.

Short Bio Hadia ElMiniawi

Hadia is an engineer by training, she started her career in 1995 at the Egyptian Universities Network (EUN) Egypt's Top level domain, connecting academic and scientific sites to the Internet. She spent most of her career in Internet development related roles. During her tenure at the EUN, Hadia played a major role in helping academic sites design their networks and connect to the Internet. Hadia worked on the implementation of enhancements to existing systems and helped in developing and setting the .eg registry policies as well as developing user documentation and training material. Throughout her career at the Egyptian Universities Network, Hadia took many roles and responsibilities, such as technical operations manager for .eg registry, IPv6 project manager, and foreign relations manager. In 2014, Hadia joined the National Hungarian Trading House in Budapest as deputy to the director of the Arab Countries Department and later as acting director.

Currently Hadia is Chief Expert on International Policies at the National Telecom Regulatory Authority (NTRA) of Egypt. Hadia is Co-Chair of the At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG) and the lead of the At-large Capacity Building Working Group (CBWG) workshops team. In her capacity as the Director of the DNS Entrepreneurship Center, founded by ICANN and NTRA to foster the domain name industry in Africa and the Middle East, Hadia has actively organised many DNS related workshops and awareness sessions in the MEAC region. Hadia is an active member of the At-large community, she has been a participant to several ICANN PDPs. Currently Hadia is one of ALAC representatives to the EPDP on IDN gTLDs, previously she was one of ALAC two representatives to the EPDP on gTLD registration data. Hadia has contributed and been the pen holder of several AFRALO statements and ALAC public policy comments. Hadia is also interested in Internet governance and has organized a couple of sessions in previous AFIGFs and Global IGFs. Hadia is vice chair of the Middle East and Adjoining Countries (MEAC) Strategy Working Group and a member of the Middle East DNS Forum Program Committee.

Hadia holds a Bachelor of Science in Electronics and Communications from the Faculty of Engineering, Cairo University and a Masters of Science in Management and Leadership from St. Istivan University in Hungary.

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You can Find my statement of Interest at: <u>Hadia Elminiawi SOI - ALAC - Global Site</u>

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Best wishes to all

Hadia Elminiawi