
YESIM SAGLAM:

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to APRALO monthly teleconference taking place on Thursday, 21st of September, 2023 at 6:00 UTC. On our call today, we have Amrita Choudhury, Nazmul Hasan Majumder, Gopal Tadepalli, Vladimer Svanadze, Ali AlMeshal, Justine Chew, Faheem Soomro, Holly Raiche, Sabarinath G Pillai, Gunela Astbrink, Shreedeeep Rayamajhi, Sarthak Joshi, Bibek Silwal, Abdulrahman Abotaleb, Jay Paudyal, Satish Babu, Vesmira Harutyunyan, Ashirwad Tripathy, Naveed Bin Rais, Adarsh Bu, Juliana Harsianti, Bikram Shrestha, Fouad Bajwa, K Mohan Raidu, Mohammad Kawsar Uddin, and Shah Rahman.

We have received apologies from Hong Xue, Maureen Hilyard and Eranga Samarathna.

From staff, we have Gisella Gruber, Athena Foo, Siranush Vardanyan, and myself, Yesim Saglam. And I'll also be doing call management for today's call. And before we get started, just a kind reminder for everyone to please state your names before speaking for the transcription purposes, please. And with this, I would like to leave the floor back over to you, Amita. Thank you very much.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

Thank you so much, Yesim. And welcome, everyone. Amrita here for the record. Welcome to the September monthly call of APRALO. It was great to meet many of you last week in person after long at the General Assembly and hope you had a safe travel back and settled back to your life. So what we would be doing today is we have three of the

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participants, Adarsh, Bibek, and Sabari, who would be sharing an overview and feedback of the General Assembly for those who were not there and for those who were there, a brief recap. We would have some time for others to add any input, comments, or if anyone has any questions. Then we would be moving towards some policy updates. Cheryl would be updating on the GNSO guidance process on applicant support update. Then Justine would be sharing some updates on the new round of the gTLDs, what was the ICANN board resolution and what were some highlights of the APRALO policy forum. In terms of any other business, I think we would not have an October call because people would be finishing IGF and moving towards ICANN meeting. So perhaps in November we will have our updates, the monthly call. And perhaps at the monthly call we may also have a brief recap on what happened in ICANN and if there were any updates from the IGF. But during the AOB we would definitely be discussing aspects on those who would be in IGF if we could meet and do something. So with that I would hand it over to Adarsh, Bibek, and Sabri. I think they have fashioned it in such a way that they would make it interactive and they would discuss and once they are over in 15 minutes we will go into the Q&A. So over to you.

ADARSH BU:

Thank you so much, Amrita. So Adarsh here for the record. So here's an overview and a good update about the last APRALO GM meeting. So the APRALO recently conducted its hybrid General Assembly meeting on the 12th and the 13th which happened in Istanbul, Turkey. So it is like in two days fully covered with the 12 sessions and all like in 46 plus persons in participants in room and there are like 22 plus remote

participants and the discussion was completely full of like a networking collaboration and interaction. So this gathering brought like and together representatives from the various lab structures in Asia, Australia, and even from the Pacific Island regions as well as the individual members of APRALO. The primary objective of GA was to develop strategic plans containing the three key At-Large tracks, the [inaudible] policy, advance development, outreach, engagement, and the operational issues. The day one that is on the 12th of September gets started with a welcome and the introduction to the General Assembly which was moderated by Amrita Choudhury, the APRALO chair. So Amrita has been briefed out the main expectation during the two days APRALO GA meeting from the participants are to be like and to be engaged in the productive discussion, sharing their like an insight and the experience to shape the future direction of the organization. And the focus was on formulating strategies and also the action plans and that align with the diverse needs and challenges faced by the At-Large community in the Asia Pacific region. In addition, the expectation was to make use of APRALO GA platform for fostering collaboration, knowledge sharing, and consensus building among the diverse stakeholders present by leveraging the expertise and the perspective of ALS representatives and the individual members. The GA aim to achieve the collective goals and advocate for the interest of Asia Pacific At-Large community. Followed by the first section, the second section was with an engaging, engaged with an ICANN board. So that is mainly to gain insight into the region, objectives, and the area of focus. In group we have the three gentlemen from the ICANN board. That is one of it's like a [inaudible] and Edmon Chung and the Maarten Botterman, three gentlemen from the board we had. So we had a discussion with the

board, mainly on the vision and the objectives of the ICANN board to understand their areas of focus and to learn about the expectations they have from the At-Large end user community in this interactive session. So attendees also had a very good opportunity to stay updated on the latest developments to gain valuable insights into the ICANN board's strategic direction. And also to discover their vision for the future and to understand the key objectives they have set forth. Moreover, the session was designed to foster the open dialogue and exchange the discussion with the board team, with the user community and addicts to actively participate, ask questions, seek clarifications on the topics the members were interested in and concerned over there. The third section on the first day, first off was like a continued with a summary of key policies and policy advice issues for APRALO, which was moderated by Justine. So this mainly section was like a building upon the, it is continued with our previous discussion with the ICANN board, continue with the dialogue and the delivery to the important policy matters. In this session, summarizes the policy and the policy advice issues that were significant relevance for APRALO and this session provide an excellent opportunity to engage in further dialogue with the ICANN board and to seek clarifications of specific policy matters that were important for the APRALO. And the fourth section of the day one was interaction with the GSE. So APAC and Middle East teams were there, so it was moderated by the Satish Babu, ALAC member. And here the GSE team comprises [inaudible]

YESIM SAGLAM:

Adarsh, I think he dropped.

ADARSH BU:

So, Adarsh here for the record. Once again, I'm so sorry for the network glitch. I was briefing about the GSE interaction. So with the GSE and the APAC and the Middle East teams. So this session was mainly moderated by the Satish Babu ALAC member. So the GSE team comprises a diverse group of professionals who bring in like a wealth of knowledge and experience to the table. So they possess expertise in different areas, including policy development, stakeholder engagement, community outreach. So these team members are dedicated for fostering collaboration, facilitating the dialogue and ensuring that the concerns and perspective of the APRALO and other stakeholder groups for effective conversion. And what are the benefits for the APRALO by partnering with them and GSE has been briefed out within the perspective of a relationship and the perspective of getting an opportunity to get participate at the GSE-led events and also to support the events which are being hosted by the APRALO and also the support for the outreach and the engagement. So this was the discussion done on the day one of the GA meeting on the first half. So the second half will be briefed out by Sabari. So over to you Sabari.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

And just a comment, please speak slowly so that people understand.

SABARINATH G PILLAI:

Thank you so much, Adarsh. This is Sabarinath for the record. And I'll be taking the presentation forward. But right after the global stakeholder engagement session, we had a very good discussion. Moderated by

Jonathan, the ALAC chair. This session was mostly at the At-Large and the campaign book, which kind of enticed almost all of our members and all of the participants. Because it was at this session that the At-Large structure was broken down and the concept of having a meeting or a seminar right out of the box was proposed. And a little bit more on how engagement of members can be made was discussed and that beautiful concept came out of this session. Right through the session, we were discussing and having our thinking caps on various methods of how to identify and amplify the end user's interests. Primarily by thinking really hard and of course with a lot of feedback from end users. If we could deliberate among ourselves with feedback and arrive at a general consensus, then probably the entire ICANN, ALAC and the RALO structures can contribute more in getting ICANN's vision and mission achieved.

And how can this amplification be done? Once we identify the issues, how can we go ahead and amplify the ideas that we had for the second round of discussion on how to get the word out and of course, learning from the success story of the Universal Acceptance Day. And as a takeaway from the session, we had come up with devising a campaign book, wherein we can have a full meeting out of the box on how the meeting has to be done, what all materials have to be used for the meeting to be done or the webinar to be done. And of course, a little bit of a train the train as well. Significant difference between outreach and engagement was also discussed and we understand that by engaging more members, we can actually go ahead and mobilize and activate our mission into a full element. In the next slide, we will be speaking mostly about—We spoke more on the rules of procedures, which was

moderated by Cheryl. The rules of procedures which the At-Large structure at present uses is the 2014 version, which required a little bit of modification based out of the current scenarios, mostly on the unaffiliated individual membership and its definitions, the rules, election processes on how and if possible, a new membership status could be introduced or not. And certain code of conduct which had to be revised or deliberated more upon. It was articulated beautifully well on what all are expected from the corresponding At-Large structures to report to the ALAC is something that we would want to do. Right through either redistributing or supporting the ICANN and the At-Large structure and most of the AILO structures to distribute whatever the ICANN wants every member to know. And of course, they would want us to refer to ICANN and the At-Large on all ALS web pages or social media, wherever we do have a web presence. Suggestion to ALS was to evaluate contributions on specific issues and if possible, support the AILO with two to four prime members as office bearers. And if possible, go ahead and know every member that the ALS has and on what areas of expertise they can contribute. And of course, go ahead and support them in participating to internet governance and of course, to vote on specific issues which requires voting to be done.

A few amendments were proposed and the concept of an individual member has come up and a little bit of additions on the election processes have been proposed wherein a member in good standing has to be defined on how nominations can be done is to be defined and voting to be done by nominated representatives was also suggested.

Right after the session, we wound up our day one, which was beautifully done by the APRALO vice chair and after that, in the next slide, on the

next day, we went ahead to the APRALO general assembly at the plenary session where our resolution on the rules of procedure with the 2023 edits were approved and adopted. And right after that, it was adopted as a draft which required legal review from the ICANN and of course, more participation was called for from members to contribute in fine tuning the rules of procedure. After this, we went ahead to the APRALO GA and after proceedings, we moved on to the next session which Bibek would be giving from this point on. Bibek, over to you. Thank you so much.

BIBEK SILWAL:

Thank you, Sabarinath and others for an amazing summary of the past sessions. That was my first general assembly attending in person as well as in terms of APRALO's meeting. So also just to add on this briefing, I'll also be attending ICANN as a fellow and I have been tasked by my mentor, Shreedeeep, who is also here to share my experience in APRALO monthly meetings and how to get involved. So to start with my briefing, I want to share a minute on my experience. So the APRALO general assembly was held for two days and first day was about to know about APRALO's proceedings, what the standing point we are and what we are expecting in the two days and second day was more about the interactions and contribution from ALS as well as the individual members which maintains the bottom-up approach of APRALO.

So attending GA gave me knowledge to contribute more to the community and also gave me insights on how APRALO functions as a rule of procedures. And I want to personally thank the APRALO leadership team for the opportunity and I think it gives all the ALSes and

individual members a concrete overview on what we are going to do in upcoming years and after the break from the pandemic for the ALSes to engage more in APRALO and ICANN activities.

So to start with the briefing, the session was discussions on the new round gTLD opportunities. It was moderated by Cheryl and Justine and it was an interactive session to get feedback from ALSes and individual members where the participants were divided into three groups based on some stickers we were given. And we were divided, we were moving into three different persons who had an individual questions on it. The first question was regarding what communication modalities would be more effective for the upcoming next round and what opportunities we can present to businesses and solicit feedback from the local communities. The discussion here were about how we can attract new registries to apply for gTLDs and what values we can add to them in terms of business perspective and how we can effectively reach to them. The second question was what unique messages we can bring forward so newer applicants would be interested in. And mostly we saw an IDN as a value added perspective in this new round gTLD. And the third one was to identify three to five more important areas where it should be highlighted in the APAC region. Next slide please.

The other session was capacity building on effectiveness related to the campaign playbook. And again this is again an interactive session but in a very different format. It was a fishbowl session which I believe most of us were new to it. There were six chairs and five members sitting in the chairs and all the participants were outside the chair. So if they had to add something to what is being discussed they had to stay on the chair and someone from the fishbowl has to get out. I think for me personally

the meaning is that there is always we are open for discussions and suggestions and there is always room for improvement with the empty chair. And there were two major questions discussed during this session. The first one is how it would be best to facilitate in regionally and sub-regionally especially the outreach and engagement campaigns for the next gTLDs for the campaign playbook. And this was a very interactive session because there was a point and it was revolving around the group with very new ideas and how the discussion was being forwarded and we were able to come up with some great suggestions. And I think it would be presented in the report as all of the group would be merged together. And also an online group which Gunela had more facilitated. And the next question was what kind of resources would be required in terms of impact reasons, how we can further reach to them and how we can actually promote it. Next slide please.

And the final the penultimate session was outreach and engagement planning. It was a presentation plus discussion sessions. In the first session Jia-Rong presented on the ICANN strategic plan for the fiscal year 2021 to 2025 and APRALO's plan on how it aligns with the ICANN strategic plan and what is regional plan for the given fiscal year period. And Amrita presented on the draft fiscal year plan or O&E plan by APRALO. And after that it was some regional breakout discussions and where the reason we divided into four groups, Asia, Central Asia, Middle East and Pacific where one of the members from APRALO leadership team and from the ICANN work were there to facilitate discussions on what the community members want this regional plans to focus on getting feedback from the community. And finally we had a wrap up of

the session so where all of the group were summoned up and shared their experiences what things went on in the discussions. Next slide please.

And the final session was moderated by Gunela which was key takeaways and final comments where in the sessions the participants had an opportunity to share what it felt like and what they were bringing on forward from this point. Probably 15 to 16 members shared a lot of experience on how they felt, how they are moving forward. Also there were a few suggestions on what kind of improvements you are looking after. And also the session was ended by giving a vote of thanks to the APRALO leadership team, ICANN work team and the tech support. And these were all 12 session summary for the APRALO GA. Thank you.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

Thank you so much, Sabari, Bibek and Adarsh. This was excellent. The presentation came out really well and it can be circulated just some corrections need to be made. Before I open it I had an idea in my mind and I want to share it with all of you. And we wanted to make a report of this event session by session. And since you've done such a lot of work put in you know at least you know what was being discussed etc., if you would want to take a lead, we can create a document wherein these could be put in and we would then divide it amongst we would want volunteers to come forward to work with the APRALO facilitators of each of these sessions to come up with small you know what were the outcomes of each session. So you know I'm looking at you three but I'm looking at more people. We'll create—perhaps Gisella can send out

a mail and we can have some volunteers coming up and then we can have you know people working on this document and let's make a APRALO General Assembly report. You would be working with the session facilitator and coming up with the report. I hope this makes sense. And if we could have some volunteers on it, it would be great. And this was a great presentation, I would say. And if anyone has any comments, questions, or wants to add anything, please feel free to raise your hand. And if there are no hands or no questions, then we will be moving to the next session where Cheryl would be presenting, but I know Cheryl has to leave early, so may I ask all of you to switch on your cameras. We'll try to take a few pictures now and not at the end so that we can post it on social media. Thank you, Yesim, for taking the picture, and I will pass it on to Cheryl now for her comments.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thanks, Amrita. I'm literally needing to speak in the other meeting right now. This is really poorly timed, I'm afraid. It's very simple, just to bring you up to speed with what's happened with the GGP, the global guidance process relating to applicant support has in fact been put to vote today for the ALAC and under those circumstances, if you'd like me to bring you through so you we'll understand it better at a future meeting. I think we'll do that, but as it will only be informational at this stage, it's probably better to do it that way. Okay, sorry about that. But just the way the timings worked for the two meetings, I have a full house in my other call, so I apologize.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY: No worries, Cheryl, I think Justine can take it. Justine, over to you.

JUSTINE CHEW: Right, okay, sorry, I'm multitasking, distracted. Okay, this is Justine for the record. So I'm just gonna provide a short update on subsequent procedures or what is now referred to generically as the next round of new gTLDs or the next round of the new gTLD program. comes in different names, but they mean the same thing.

So I did a presentation earlier today at the Consolidated Policy Working Group. So if you want details, then I probably suggest that you have a listen to the recording or just follow the transcript. Okay. And yeah, so this is the presentation that I gave at CPWG. So it has details and I'm not wanting to go through specifically all the points again, but suffice to say that—or maybe you can just go to the end, the last slide.

The idea about it is we know that the subsequent procedures recommendation, or at least the SubPro PDP working group has already completed its work back in 2021 and has gone through the motions of being adopted by the GNSO council, then submitted to the board, and then the board called for an operational design phase, which is basically looking into how, what are the complications and how exactly would the implementation of those recommendations take place. And costing and that sort of thing, and resources required, that sort of thing. And that took us up to end of last year. And then early this year, that was when board also conducted a last public comment for proceeding for comments. And in March, ICANN 76, they adopted a bunch of recommendations, 98 in total. And that 98 has since May moved into

implementation. So that's ongoing work. The implementation of these recommendations according to ICANN-ORG, because ICANN-ORG is the one that drives implementation. So it's no longer under GNSO, but implementation under ICANN-ORG. So ICANN ORG has said that the implementation of these recommendations will take up to May 2025 in terms of generating the next applicant guidebook. And then the board came out and said that the launch of the next round isn't anticipated until at earliest April 2026. And that's assuming that nothing cops up to delay the process.

So suffice to say that all this work has been ongoing, so it doesn't stop. And it's just that because there were other recommendations out from the SubPro PDP working group that's still pending, that haven't yet been adopted by the board up to March. I mentioned earlier that in March, they adopted 98. So there's a bunch of other recommendations that were still pending at that point in time.

But more recently, in terms of, and I'm talking about August, September timeline, the GNSO has set up a small team to look at how we could work on clarifying some of the pending recommendations based on, or pending is because it's marked by the ICANN board as pending. And then the ICANN board highlighted concerns as to why they mark them pending. So GNSO constituted a small team to look at the concerns and all these pending recommendations and see which ones would be possible to resolve by way of clarification. And the small team includes two members of the ICANN board SubPro caucus. So we're working in tandem with the board, really.

And what has happened since then is in recent times, the GNSO council has come up with a first clarifying statement that covers a number of recommendations that were pending. And the board at its latest, most recent workshop in September, I think it happened just before our general assembly. In fact, in Istanbul, and out of that particular workshop, they have now resolved to accept or adopt a few more recommendations, but they have also indicated non-adoption of a handful of support outputs or recommendations. So as it stands currently, that is the breakdown. You see the pie chart, 105 has been adopted to date. So that adds to the nine, well, 105 is including the 98 that was approved in March. So as I said, the 98 has already gone into implementation. So the additional ones now, which brings us up to 105, would move into implementation.

And in terms of, oh, sorry, it's not 105. It is 105 plus 12. So it's actually 117 that's been approved and gone to implementation, going or going into implementation. There's still 13 that's pending, which the council via a small team is still working with the board to try and resolve if possible to clarifying statement, a second clarifying statement. And more importantly, the board has not adopted seven outputs. So that means basically that GNSO Council is tasked with working out how to revise these seven recommendations or outputs if they want to keep them alive, so to speak. They can decide that okay, we're not going to do anything about this anymore and we'll just let the recommendation die, or they can work on revising it to meet the board's concern, and therefore try and get it adopted by the board.

At the moment, there is no talk at the GNSO Council level to let any of them die. So the plan moving forward is to have the work done to try

and revise those recommendations. And which is why we see a request to update the assignment form of the small team and then to break down the work steps. But more importantly, one of the work steps in that new assignment or the revised assignment form would be to extend the participation beyond just GNSO constituencies to include the ACs. So meaning ALAC and GAC in particular. But of course, I have been participating in the small team by virtue of my presence in council. So ACs, in terms of ALAC has, the coverage is there kind of thing, but they want to open up to more subject matter experts because now we're talking about revising the recommendations as opposed to just tweaking it slightly or clarifying it slightly. So I have been pushing for more community participation because if we're going to be revising the recommendations, then they really need community participation in order to have some status of them being community driven rather than just genus driven.

Okay. So from the ALAC perspective, as mentioned on the slide, I'm continuing to monitor the development of these seven plus 13. And then in terms of 17.2, which is the one on applicant support, I think I've talked about this on numerous occasions. And we have in fact, the ALAC has in fact come up with a proposal on how to revise recommendation 17.2. And that would be taken up by the small team in terms of discussion at a later date, which I anticipate would include participation from two other ALAC appointees and also the GAC reps. Okay, I'll stop there. And I see Shah has a question. Those not adopted will be clarified by the board to GNSOP Council why those are not adopted in the next AGM. Okay, so in the next AGM, the next AGM is a year's time. So you're talking about ICANN 78 as the next AGM, okay.

So what happens now is when the board did not adopt, okay, the ICANN speak term is the board doesn't adopt things, they don't reject things, but I'm just gonna make it simple and say that they reject it. So when the board rejects any recommendations, they provide a rationale. So the rationale is what you see in the scorecard. The link to that scorecard is in the agenda wiki. And some of the explanations in those rationale is also contained in this slide deck that I've prepared in a very, very distilled format, okay? So what happens now is in terms of the ones that are not adopted and the ones that are still pending, there is rationale or reasons why they're still pending or not adopted. So we have to look at, the council small team are looking at that. And we are looking at the ones that just not been adopted because the rationale for that has been refreshed. So we're looking at those things to see how we can reform the recommendations to address the reasons why the board are not adopting or they are rejecting those recommendations. As to timeline, well, we don't know. There isn't a specific timeline set yet. I think it would really depend on how much time the small team will take to really work on these recommendations, especially those seven that have been rejected. And as I said, it's going to include community participation. So that means more people will be involved in the discussion. So if you have more people, then presumably it's gonna take more time. I think at this stage it's unlikely that we will get all the seven resolved by ICANN 78. That's my personal thought on that. Because there's only four weeks left before ICANN 78, and four weeks isn't a lot of time to work through seven rejected recommendations. Okay, I think I better stop there and turn the floor back to...

Oh, just before I forget, so the next thing that was on the agenda was the SubPro Webinar Series. As you all should know, the APRALO Policy Forum is designing or producing a series of webinars to do with the next round. So the idea is to try and pick out certain topics, which have been indicated by those who attended the first webinar anyway, in addition to the very obvious ones. So the idea is to set up a series of webinars. And this series will run into next year as well. It will just take as long as it takes. But the idea of each webinar now, going forward, would be that we pick a particular topic and then we go through what were the At-Large and ALAC positions on those topics, what was the outcome in terms of the recommendations that came out from the PDP process, and where we are in terms of those recommendations, whether they've been approved and gone to implementation, or whether it's stuck at this process of pending or not adopted, and then what comes after that. Okay, so that's it for me, thanks.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

Thank you so much, Justine. And does anyone else have any questions for Justine? In case you thought it went too much over your head, you can always ask her questions, because we do understand not everyone is at the same level of understanding. So if you have any questions, you can always write back or even ask here on what she was discussing. And do participate in the policy forum also because there will be different capacity building webinars or other webinars on the new gTLD round. And I think if there are no questions, we will go to the AOB. So perhaps we would have our next call in November. And as I was saying, in our monthly call, we would like to have an overview of ICANN's Hamburg meeting. And I think there are a few fellows here who would be

attending. Bibek is one. Vesmira is the other. Are there any other fellows from our region whom we could—Shreedeeep or Siranush, if there's anyone we would like to have them be prepared from now on so that they can come back and share an update, give us an overview on the ICANN meeting at Hamburg, because we want the next generation to kind of step up and participate. So perhaps on a side note, we could have this discussion, but we would, yeah, thank you so much, Siranush. Then we can start planning from now so that the people are also prepared.

The other question which we had is many of you may be at IGF from 11th to 12th of October. Can we have a raise of hand who all would be there? So it may be good that there would be an ICANN booth in case we want to do some outreach engagement. At some point of time, we could possibly have something done out there if possible. Can we see a raise of hand, who all are going, Ashirvad, Gunela, and who else, Satish—Aris, are you going to be there? Shah? I think we should have more people, Maureen would be there. So I think we could have a separate conversation on it and if possible at the ICANN booth we could think of something to do or meeting up sometime. So I think we can communicate over WhatsApp and fix up something for ideas. And in case you have any sessions there or you are doing any activity this month or next, please do kind of send your updates to Vivek, Pavel and me within 200 words with picture which we could use in our APRALO bi-monthly newsletter. The next one which would be out would be at the, in the September, October 1. So it will be out in the first week of November.

So Aris, I was talking about the IGF, who all would be there so that we can meet up. There is an ICANN booth. And if you want to do some outreach, we could do that. And obviously, who all would be at ICANN, we are looking at fellows who could come and present in our next monthly call on the overview and feedback of ICANN. Hope I've clarified the question. Is there anyone who wants to, has anything else to speak, to add? We have a few more minutes. You could have the floor if you want.

Okay, so I don't see any more hands. So one of the things which I'm looking for is those who went to the General Assembly, please. Okay, great. [inaudible], you could always. Okay, at the IGF, yes, we could kind of connect on this. So, yes, thanks to the staff who actually pulled it off so well.

And the other thing which I wanted as a reminder at the end is please nominate yourself as a volunteer for the APRALO General Assembly. Yeah, [inaudible], you can join the APRALO WhatsApp group. I will share, for those who are not there, let's just give me a moment. I will try and share the link here. One moment, I will share it here. But please volunteer yourself. Gisella would be having links at Google Docs circulated. You can nominate, and we need people to work on that that's for sure. And we should have a deadline, Gisella, for this. By when do we need this? If we could get the names by at least 27th it would be good. This is the APRALO WhatsApp group, anyone is free to join it if you're not there. It's not the General Assembly group, it is the APRALO group, so please feel free to join in out there. And I think with this I will pass it on to Yesim to close the call. So by 27, please put in your name on what topic you want to work on. And Adarsh, Sabari, and Bibek,

please translate your slides into documents so that at least we have the basic things there. And thank you for this wonderful slide. If you share it with Gisella, she will have it uploaded in the minutes itself, in the wiki itself on the agenda. So Yesim, over to you. Thank you so much.

YESIM SAGLAM:

Thanks so much, Amrita. and thank you all for joining today's meeting. This meeting is now adjourned. Have a great rest of the day. Bye-bye.

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