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Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the At-Large Capacity Building Webinar on Universal Acceptance Day taking place on Monday, 20th of November 2023, at 15:00 UTC.

We will not be doing a roll call for the sake of time. However, all attendees both on the Zoom Room and on the phone bridge will be recorded after the call. I would like to remind all participants to please mute your lines when not speaking to prevent any background noise. And also, please remember to state your name when taking the floor, not only for transcription but also for interpretation purposes. We have English, Spanish, and French interpretation. Thank you all for joining. I would like to leave the floor over to Hadia El Miniawi, chair of the At-Large Capacity Building Working Group. Over to you, Hadia. Thank you very much.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you, Yeşim. Welcome to At-Large Capacity Building Webinar on Universal Acceptance. The objective of today's webinar is to provide you with an overview of the 2024 Universal Acceptance Day and emphasize the activities and campaign related to the At-Large Universal Acceptance Day. This call also offers an opportunity to familiarize yourself with the available resources for promoting awareness, conducting training, developing academic curricula, or organizing adoption and strategy sessions. Additionally, you will be able to learn about the criteria for your proposal to be eligible for funding. We have today 25 minutes allocated for Q&A. So please ask all the questions you

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think you need in order to submit a successful Universal Acceptance Day. So I welcome you again and leave the floor now to Sarmad Hussain to give you an overview of Universal Acceptance Day 2024. Sarmad, the floor is yours. Thank you.

SARMAD HUSSAIN:

Thank you, Hadia. Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. This is Sarmad. I'm with ICANN Org. I'm here to give a brief overview of the UA Day.

So just as a quick background, Universal Acceptance means that all domain names and e-mail addresses are working on applications. One of the ways to promote this concept is ICANN and Universal Acceptance Steering Group jointly organized this event. It was organized the first time around in 2023. And now recently, there has been a call for proposals to organize Universal Acceptance Day events for 2024. I'm just going to go take you through the call itself. Then, of course, I'm happy to answer any questions which you may have.

Okay. So, first of all, if you're interested in finding more about this call itself, the webpage is quite straightforward. It's [universalacceptance.day](https://www.universalacceptance.day). So you can actually go to the website and get more information directly. We'll go through this webpage together as well. But before we do, just a quick overview of what happened in our Universal Acceptance Day last year.

So last year, we actually made a call for Universal Acceptance Day as well towards the end of 2023. And we received a total of around a hundred proposals. And based on those proposals, a community-based

working group shortlisted about slightly more than 50 proposals, which were then supported by ICANN Org and the Universal Acceptance Steering Group to be conducted all around the world, these 50 proposals were shortlisted from about 40 different countries. The criteria generally used by the community group was to make sure that the selection supported the regional diversity, also diversity in the kind of events which were being proposed. They also looked at number of participants, diversity in participants, meaning whether the participants are coming from technical community or the government, academia, and so on. Then, of course, the amount and availability of support which was being requested. So that sort of gives you an idea of what was the criteria last time. Of course, we'll formulate a community-based team to shortlist the proposals for this year as well for the coming UA Day and they'll develop the criteria for this purpose as well.

So coming back to the Universal Acceptance Day itself, let's go through the call and see. If you have any questions, kindly just raise your hand or write in the chat, and we'll try to address them as we go along. So let's scroll down a little bit, please. Sorry, I think we need to go to the Universal Acceptance Day page. Yes. Let's click on this. This is announcement. There should be a link here. We can go or you can just go directly to universalacceptance.day. I'll just try to reload this. Okay. All right. So we're there. I think this is good.

If you see, the call for proposal is for the UA Day. The UA Day is normally held on 28th of March. This is call for 28 March 2024. However, the team realizes that it's not possible for everyone to hold the event on the same day. And so the call suggests that you could potentially host the event between 1st March and 30th May 2024. But on and around 28

March would, of course, be preferred. So there is actually a window of three months during which you can hold the event locally. Thank you. Let's move forward.

Okay. So when you're proposing for a UA Day event this year, last year we actually had three kinds of events which we were supporting, which focused on awareness or technical training or just strategy of the events which were organized. We just got about 50% of the events focused on awareness and 50% of the events were focused on technical training. There were not a lot of strategy events because they were normally obviously regional in nature. This year around, we have a couple of more categories. So you can, in addition to organizing an event around UA awareness or UA technical training for universities and academic institutions, you can also organize an event which is focused on UA academic curricula. And then there is also a possibility for everyone to develop or organize an event on UA adoption. Let's talk about each of these very briefly.

So awareness event is basically focused on just going through the materials which are provided for this event. It just basically tells, at a very high level, what Universal Acceptance is and how everybody should get involved in contributing towards it without really getting into too much technical details. Therefore, these events tend to be either two hour or maximum half a day. To get into more depth, the Universal Acceptance technical training events can be organized. The first part of it, these events are the same as Universal Acceptance awareness events, which are just a high level introduction. But then UA technical training events allow you to do a deeper dive in and pick up one or both of the trainings which are available. One is for the making front end

applications like websites UA ready and what are the challenges and what are the solutions. And the second training is more focused on back end where it goes into detail on how to make your e-mail servers UA ready. So depending on the audience, you can pick or choose from one of the two trainings, or obviously, you can choose to do both trainings.

UA academic curricula introduced. This time, we are going to share a plan of work or plan of modules. The USC community is, I guess, developing and reviewing which shows how Universal Acceptance content can be integrated into the, I guess, existing coursework focused on computer science or IT disciplines and how universities and academic curricula can actually update their existing coursework to provide their students more, I guess, integrated approach to learning about internationalization as well as Universal Acceptance. We're also developing more detailed content, which will be of course available early next year, which goes into very detailed structure of, for example, coding level details on what needs to be done. Basically, this kind of event is for universities, for faculty members to debate and discuss how to integrate Universal Acceptance into the curriculum itself.

In addition, just beyond talking about technical training, this year we're actually also introducing what is called UA adoption events. If you scroll down a little further, if you look towards the bottom of the screen here, basically, for UA adoption events, we are saying that you do some work up front, and then based on that work, share your own experience during the UA Day event. The work being done up front could be one of the three items which you see as the bulleted list there. First is that you can make a website UA ready. This could be your own website or website or some other organization. The second could be that you can

make an e-mail server UA ready. Again, it could be your own e-mail server or e-mail server or another organization. And finally, you could make a mobile app, for example, UA ready.

So if you're doing this kind of event, you'll have to do some work up front from now until the UA Day event. We will then review the application you have made are UA ready. Then eventually, the idea is that you present your learning in the session where you can share the challenges you faced in making your website or e-mail server or application UA ready and the solutions, eventually, you implemented and share that with the community as a sort of example of how it is done. Because this requires extra effort and more time, what you'll see is the amount of support available for these events is slightly higher than others. You can also combine the UA adoption with a training event. So that is another option.

Then the last kind of events, UA regional strategy events, these are normally regional events for strategy. Regional means that three or more countries are involved. They talk about how to promote UA in the region.

So going further down, if you look at this table, it allows you to see how to organize a local or national event. Again, if you are organizing the UA Day again and you already organized it last time around, we are encouraging that you don't just focus on an awareness event, but maybe move one step further and consider doing a technology event or an adoption event. But, of course, these events are open to everybody still. But preference will be given for awareness events to people who are organizing this the first time around.

If you look at the second column here, you will see the different kinds of events. So you have a two-hour event on awareness or half day event, which is four-hour event on awareness. Then you have a half day event on adoption, one-day event on academic curriculum, and so on. And then the third column gives you the resource materials which we will make available before the event. So you will actually have all the different materials which you could use for this event and customize as well. Then last column provides you the maximum support we can provide in terms of funding in case you need it for these kinds of events. You can look at that those details. They're available online.

So in case you do want to apply for one of these events, there is an online form which is linked from this webpage. If you go to this form, it's a reasonably straightforward form. Let's scroll down. Sorry, before we go there, the deadline for submitting these proposals is 15th of December. So it's almost within a month or so for submitting these proposals.

If you move down, you'll see that it's a reasonably straightforward form. We need a contact person, organization, which is filling or proposing the form. Eventually the organization which is filling this form or organizing this event has to also sign the contract with ICANN. So, please use the same organization name as eventually which will be signing the contract. This is the same organization which will actually be then receiving the funding, which means that the organization you choose must have a bank account. Because in previous year, we faced, in some cases, an issue where the organizations didn't have bank accounts and that made a challenge to, for example, transfer funds.

There are details on basically that says where the event is happening, country and city. You will have to choose whether your event is local or regional. Also, what kind of event it is, whether it's awareness, technical training, academic curricula, adoption, or strategy, and the duration. These you should look up based on the table which has been provided. Then you share how many participants they will be, describe the event, and some other details in this form. So it's reasonably self-evident. You also indicate the support you need from ICANN. Again, what you request is not guaranteed. We will have to see what level of support is available. And based on that, we'll provide that.

So that's a very brief introduction to what Universal Acceptance Day is, what we are proposing to do this time around in the second iteration of Universal Acceptance Day. Of course, we encourage many of you to apply. The deadline is coming on 15 December. I'm here to answer any questions you have. So with that, thank you for patiently listening. Let me hand it back to you, Hadia.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you so much, Sarmad. So would you like to take questions now? Or do we leave the questions to the 25 minutes that we have at the end of the agenda?

SARMAD HUSSAIN:

I'm happy to take some questions now. But it's totally up to you. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you. So I can give you a couple of questions before we move to Jonathan. So how many proposals are you expected to accept this year?

SARMAD HUSSAIN: I would assume it would be similar level of proposals. So around 50 from across the world. But yeah, so I think the ballpark it's probably going to be similar. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you again. I have a more specific question. I don't know if I can raise it now. It's in relation to regional events or regional proposals. So what is the regional proposal, is it an online one? In that case, I believe that the funding required would be in relation to the online platform, basically. Could you make the online platform available as a resource? Because you mentioned this bank account thing and the requirement for a bank account. So can ICANN actually make the online platform available as a resource, and that would be the contribution?

SARMAD HUSSAIN: Sure. Last time around as well, we did make some arrangements. But for us to make online platform available, staff has to be present. So that due to those kinds of constraints, we try to accommodate such requests. We cannot guarantee it, but obviously we try to accommodate as much as we can. It would depend on time and day as well. So if you do have such requirements, please put in your requests, and we will certainly try to do whatever we can. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you again, Sarmad. Any more questions to Sarmad at this point? I don't see any hands up. Okay, Yaovi, please go ahead.

YAOVI ATOHOUN: It's not a question, but I see a question from the chat from Gabriel. Heidi did provide the answer in the chat room. I want to add that the general address posted on the website for this information or the call can be used for people even speaking French. So additionally, this information was posted to Gabriel by heading the chat room. Thank you so much.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you, Yaovi. So seeing no hands up, we can now move to Jonathan, and then go back to the questions at the end of this agenda. Jonathan, the floor is yours.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks, Hadia. I just wanted to take a few minutes to discuss the possibility of a kind of At-Large community-wide effort that we might propose to the UA Steering Group. One of the things that we've been trying to work on is the more efficient mobilization of our community. One possible area of mobilization is actually to organize either an e-mail or a social media campaign directed towards a large company whose website is not UA compliant. So, a big airline, big bank, something like that. Either a series of national institutions of that type or looking at a couple of large multinational organizations of that type, and seeing if we can mobilize our efforts to generate a visible amount of commentary on

their lack of Universal Acceptance and encourage them to adopt. It's sort of a loosely fall under the idea of an adoption event. So it's still fairly embryonic. But that's what I wanted to raise the possibility of is the idea of us coming together and trying to organize what is essentially a communications event targeting one or a few large organizations that are not UA compliant to see if we could put it on their radar, so to speak. I'm happy to answer questions about it but that's the gist of the idea. I don't know if the best thing is an e-mail campaign, and that might be right. It might be social media. I think e-mail might be the best way to approach it, and maybe we can build a little system to make it easy for people to send e-mails to a standardized e-mail address or something like that. But that was the idea. So I welcome questions or comments or suggestions about this sort of beginning of an idea.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you so much, Jonathan. So any questions to Jonathan? It seems like a brilliant idea, honestly, Jonathan. Amrita, please go ahead.

AMRITA CHOUDHURY:

Thank you, Hadia. Jonathan, I do support this idea because it would be something tangible, which we could do. Perhaps if we have a standardized communication, certain countries, an e-mail would work. Some places, a social media tag or even on Twitter would work. So if communication is developed, and in some regions or countries, if our ALSes or even regional At-Large leaders feel that particular sector could be sent this message, say, for example, banks, or someone, we could do that. Perhaps that would be a campaign which would be effective and

people would look at it. So I kind of agree with your idea that apart from the outreach and engagement, which we do, or the other workshops which is being planned, this could be one way of effectively using our strengths. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thanks, Amrita. I think the idea would be to try and produce enough of whatever it is, whether it's an e-mail or a social media post or something like that, that it actually gets on the radar of a large organization. So I don't know if targeting a sector gets us there or not. We'll have to talk about it more. And soon, obviously, since we have less than a month to put a proposal in front of the UASG. But I was actually thinking like maybe on a national level identifying the top airline, for example, or the top bank and organizing everyone to reach out to that organization directly, either via e-mail or social media, so that they see some volume of a request for them to start thinking about Universal Acceptance. So that's just the idea. But we'll develop it further and we'll discuss it further. But I welcome more suggestions and comments on the best way to execute.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you, Jonathan. Again, I think it's a very good idea, also targeting sectors per country. This is also an idea. But how do you propose we start? Because as you mentioned, we have less than a month to put together an At-Large proposal. So how do you propose we start, and when?

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Well, that's a really great question, Hadia. It seems like the perfect home for it is potentially in the Capacity Building Subcommittee, I guess, I don't know. I don't have an answer for you, Hadia. I'll work on that today to try and figure out the best home for this. It may be just something that we tried to start a small team to develop that proposal. Because that's all we need to get done by December 15 is the proposal, then we have a few months to actually figure out how we would execute on it. So I'll think about it further, Hadia. I don't have the answer for you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you again, Jonathan. I think putting together a small team sounds like a good idea. We could announce that during the Consolidated Policy Working Group call, which is happening on Wednesday, and put together the team and start drafting, or putting together the proposal. But again, yes, we are waiting for your thoughts, Jonathan, on this and your proposal on how to go further or ahead with the At-Large proposal. I see a hand from Yaovi and another hand from Claire. I guess Yaovi was first. Yaovi, please go ahead.

YAOVI ATOHOUN:

Thank you very much. I hope you can hear me. I think the idea, Jonathan, is something each ALS can replicate locally. When you talk about campaign it's not to make public that this organization or this type of organization, they are not ready. I don't think that is your idea. So just to be careful so that they don't think that you are blaming them. But I see your idea as something great, that at the local level, the ALSes,

they are in position to contact this organization and to let them know that something is not correct or they need to take action. So I thought the idea is great if I see how many ALSes we have. And if each ALS can target some organizations at the local level, they are in position to talk to them freely, easily, to find a way to talk them. So for me, the weight was probably your idea. So definitely, you can share ideas to those who are interested. So that is a great idea. But I think local ALSes can also help you to get benefit from this by targeting organizations locally. They know they can contact directly. And again, the way to use to talk to these people is something you can share definitely and people can learn a common language to talk to these people. So the idea is fine. It just needs more discussion and input. It's a small input from me as a participant to this call. Thank you so much.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thanks, Yaovi. I appreciate the suggestion and the thoughts. What I don't know the answer to and what we need to discuss further is does it make sense to get more messages to fewer organizations or fewer messages to more organizations? I don't know the answer to that question. My inclination is to try and get a lot of messages to a few organizations in order to really get it into the radar of those organizations. Because if they just hear from one person or something like that, I don't know if that's going to make them feel that there's market demand for updating their website, for example. That's probably the most common example, is a bank or an airline that won't let you put in an e-mail address that's using a website since 2012, for example, an IDN. So I don't know whether or not reaching out on a one-to-one basis

is the right answer just because it might not feel like enough volume, but we should discuss it further. But thank you for the idea.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Claire?

CLAIRE CRAIG: Hi. Can you hear me?

JONATHAN ZUCK: Yes.

CLAIRE CRAIG: Okay, great. Just a quick comment, Jonathan. Thanks for that suggestion. I was just thinking that since our monthly ALAC call is tomorrow and you're talking about fleshing it out a little bit, that might be a good place to throw it out because there may be more people on that call, who may not be here today. We could get some more traction and some more comments on it. And people would also have an opportunity to think about it overnight and come back with some more suggestions. So I agree with Hadia that the CPWG is also a place to discuss it. Capacity Building Working Group is another place, but I think we should throw it out at ALAC tomorrow, if possible, and take it from there. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Let's do it. Thanks, Claire. Back to you, Hadia.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you. We have questions in the chat. We have a question from Levy. He says, "Is targeting Web developers and tech incubators in Universal Acceptance related events a great idea in addition to what was suggested?" He adds, "In my country, e-mail campaign wouldn't yield much results compared to social media and one targeting the technical community." Jonathan, would you like to comment on that?

JONATHAN ZUCK: Yeah. I don't know if that question was entirely aimed at me. The e-mail has the benefit. If there is a point of contact for the website, which there often is, and you can identify that e-mail, then you can have everybody write to that e-mail, it's different than a more generic e-mail campaign. You're sort of contacting support or something like that. So hopefully, that would be more effective than normal e-mail campaigns.

The e-mail campaign, though, also has the benefit of being private. I know that there are some that are cringing at the idea of naming and shaming. Unfortunately, what would happen is social media, unless it was direct messaging, which, again, starts to become like e-mail, I suppose, is that it's public that you're doing this. I don't know if I entirely agree that we should avoid a public display. It doesn't need to be naming and shaming. In other words, it's not about saying, "You're bad," it's just a public reminder, "Hey, consider updating your website to be more compliant," and having that come from a lot of folks on social media in public might allow for more leverage. It doesn't need to be negative messaging, but it might benefit from being public

messaging. I don't know the answer. I think those are all useful questions, but I'm not necessarily operating on the assumption that it should be private, but perhaps so. Sarmad, I see you put your hand up.

SARMAD HUSSAIN:

Thank you. I guess not directly related to this conversation. But for UA adoption, I just wanted to note or reiterate that one, I guess, expectation from the adoption events is that there is actually clear change at a technical level. So it needs to go beyond just an outreach campaign and actually make a change, and that is something which we will actually test as, I guess, a precondition for a UA adoption event, meaning that the website really needs to be updated or the e-mail server really needs to be updated, and so on. So I think when you're discussing any such outreach, I think another thing to really note is that there is tangible results which are being asked for. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thanks, Sarmad. It could be an adoption event is not going to be the right... Actually, I got that idea from you, to position it that way. I don't know if it's the right way to think about it. It just feels like something that lends itself to the network that we have in place, perhaps better than technical training, for example, where the audience that are ALSes may not be the right audience of developers or those who are actually responsible to update the sites. But we'll see what kind of proposals you get. We'll continue to noodle this one. I think I've used up my five minutes, Hadia. So I'll pass it back to you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you again, Jonathan. There is a question also in the chat. It's from Nazmul. He says, "Can you tell about Universal Acceptance ambassador is accepting new application?" I'm not sure he's asking about Universal Acceptance applications of Universal Acceptance ambassadors or from, but I think it would be—yes, Sarmad?

SARMAD HUSSAIN: I think probably the question is about Universal Acceptance ambassadors and not Universal Acceptance Day. If that's the case, the applications are always open for UA ambassadors. Feel free to write or connect with us at info@uasg.tech. I'll put the e-mail in the chat. Share your interest and we can follow up with you through that process. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you, Sarmad. Then following up on Sarmad's comment in relation to the adoption session, maybe, Jonathan, the At-Large proposal that you're suggesting, it looks like an awareness session proposal.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Maybe, yeah, sure. I think we don't need to figure that out on this call.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Sure, of course. Any more questions to Jonathan? Okay. So we can move now to the next agenda item which is At-Large activities at the 2024 Universal Acceptance Day. As mentioned before, Universal Acceptance Day will be held on the 28th of March. This is an opportunity

for all RALOs and ALSes around the world to spread general Universal Acceptance awareness and to encourage Universal Acceptance adoption with key stakeholders. So we have At-Large, RALOs, ALSes, and individual members will be working with the Universal Acceptance Team group to promote end users benefit from Universal Acceptance adoption.

I must say also that we need to work closely with our Global Stakeholder Engagement Teams on the events or proposals that we are planning for Universal Acceptance Day. I'm happy that today we have some of our Global Stakeholder Engagement Teams, and we are happy to continue working with them and with the UASG Working Group.

AFRALO is actually thinking of or going to put together, submit a regional Universal Acceptance Day. We have set a Google Document in order to start drafting the proposal. The purpose, actually, of the proposal is to submit a one-day online Universal Acceptance Day. It would be a strategy event, a strategy to promote adoption of Universal Acceptance nationally and regionally. As I mentioned maybe before that most probably the contribution required from the Universal Acceptance Steering Group would be in relation to the online platform. And it's important also to mention that the regional Universal Acceptance Day will not impact the acceptance of proposals from countries participating in the regional event if they actually put in other individual proposals.

Also, this is a question to Sarmad. I want him also to confirm this. I maybe had it confirmed before. So, the aim is to put together a strategy that will have an impact beyond Universal Acceptance Day definitely, and we will be working with our Global Stakeholder Engagement Team

in order to put together or while putting also together the proposal. I want also to mention that the leads on this are Raymond Mamattah and Abdulkarim Oloyede.

So on the At-Large activities, Universal Acceptance page, you will find a link to the to the Universal Acceptance Steering Group website, of course. There you will find more about the event itself and more about the proposals, as well as the form that you will need to submit. I'll stop here. Any questions, thoughts?

So this is actually what I have to say in addition to what Jonathan said in relation to At-Large activities at the 2024 Universal Acceptance Day. Remember, again, the deadline for submissions is the 15th of December. I don't see any hands up. I will open the floor for the Q&A. We still have 10 minutes. Sarmad, maybe I'll go back to you and ask you about the regional event and if actually countries participating in the regional event, will that impact their individual proposals?

SARMAD HUSSAIN:

I do not think eventually that regional events will create any conflict with a local or national event. I guess the only place it possibly could, again, it would depend on the committee which is shortlisting the proposals. They will develop the criteria so it's hard to predict. But if it's the same organization submitting two proposals, that could of course impact the same. Otherwise, if there are different organizations, one organizing regional event, another one organizing a national event, even if it's attending the regional event, it seems like they will not conflict. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you so much, Sarmad. Again, the regional event, we're thinking of submitting a proposal with the name of AFRALO, and definitely the countries participating would be from the region, but definitely not with the same organization name.

Then I have another question for you. You mentioned before that it's actually an organization submitted an awareness session last year, they're encouraged to take it one step further this year and to propose another form of event, any of the other forms. My question is, is this per organization or per country? Is this criteria for—

SARMAD HUSSAIN: Per organization, specifically.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you so much, Sarmad.

SARMAD HUSSAIN: So there could be a new organization which is proposing an awareness event from the same country. I think that does not impact the call. It's just the same organization now proposing an awareness event again. They can still do it but they're encouraged to move onwards. So we see it as a track or a progression, that you start with awareness, you do technical training, then maybe focus on adoption, and so on. So we'd like people to sort of move along that progression. Eventually, the goal is to focus on adoption. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI: Thank you so much. Sarmad. Any other questions or thoughts to Sarmad, Jonathan, any of us? I don't see any more hands up.

So, folks, please, this is an opportunity. If you have any questions, with regard to a proposal that you are going to submit, just go ahead and discuss it now. I don't see any hands up. Okay.

I see Mohammad, he has put a question in the chat. "How can ICANN help educational institutions to adopt Universal Acceptance academic curriculum with their existing curriculum in Computer Science or any IT subject?" Sarmad, can you take this?

SARMAD HUSSAIN: Yes. Thank you for the question. What we are going to do as part of the materials which we provide for this kind of event, if you're organizing it, first of all, if you're organizing this event, you have to be a university or academic institution. And if you're organizing it, what we suggest is an event which brings together the relevant faculty members, lecturers, as well as people who support the technical infrastructure, or otherwise decision-makers in a university. So it can be a board of faculty or some members of other university bodies. What the materials will provide include at least our recommendation on how different courses could be slightly modified to include some of the content, which is relevant to teach students about Universal Acceptance. So what we have identified are 12 different modules which are small focused learning, I guess, modules which can be integrated into existing coursework. So we're not really asking you to develop a new course because we understand that

many universities developing a new course and integrating that into a existing curriculum can require a lot of effort and curriculum changes like that are very significant and require approval from Academic Council or Senate. But for adding a little bit of content in existing coursework it's easier, and that's the approach which we are proposing. We'll share that through the materials which we develop. So those are some of the details which will come out. I guess that's how we're suggesting organizing or updating the curriculum. I hope that answers your question. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you so much, Sarmad. So if we don't have any more questions, I think we can I end up this call like four minutes earlier. I don't see any hands up. Thank you so much all for the discussion. Thank you, Sarmad and Jonathan.

SARMAD HUSSAIN:

Just one last comment. The announcement actually is available in different languages, and also the materials we produce. Last time we made the awareness event materials in all the different UN languages. We'll try to make more of the materials available in local languages or UN five languages as well this time. Also, I think if you want a trainer who's going to speak a specific language, please make sure that you make that information available in your proposal. We'll try to see if we can make trainers available who can speak a certain language as well. Thank you.

HADIA EL MINIAWI:

Thank you so much, Sarmad. Again, it's very good to know that there is a translation. Heidi is reminding you so to please keep your GSE Policy regional staff informed of your plans for Universal Acceptance Day proposals.

One way forward also, in relation to Universal Acceptance, is that we can continue discussing it during the Capacity Building Working Group calls, in addition, of course, to other meetings. So stay tuned and put forward your proposals. We are all looking forward to your Universal Acceptance 2024 proposals. Thank you all and I hand it over back to staff to close this call. Thank you.

YEŞİM SAĞLAM:

Thank you very much, Hadia. Thank you all for joining today's webinar. This webinar is now adjourned. Have a great rest of the day. Bye-bye.

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