



At-Large Technology Taskforce

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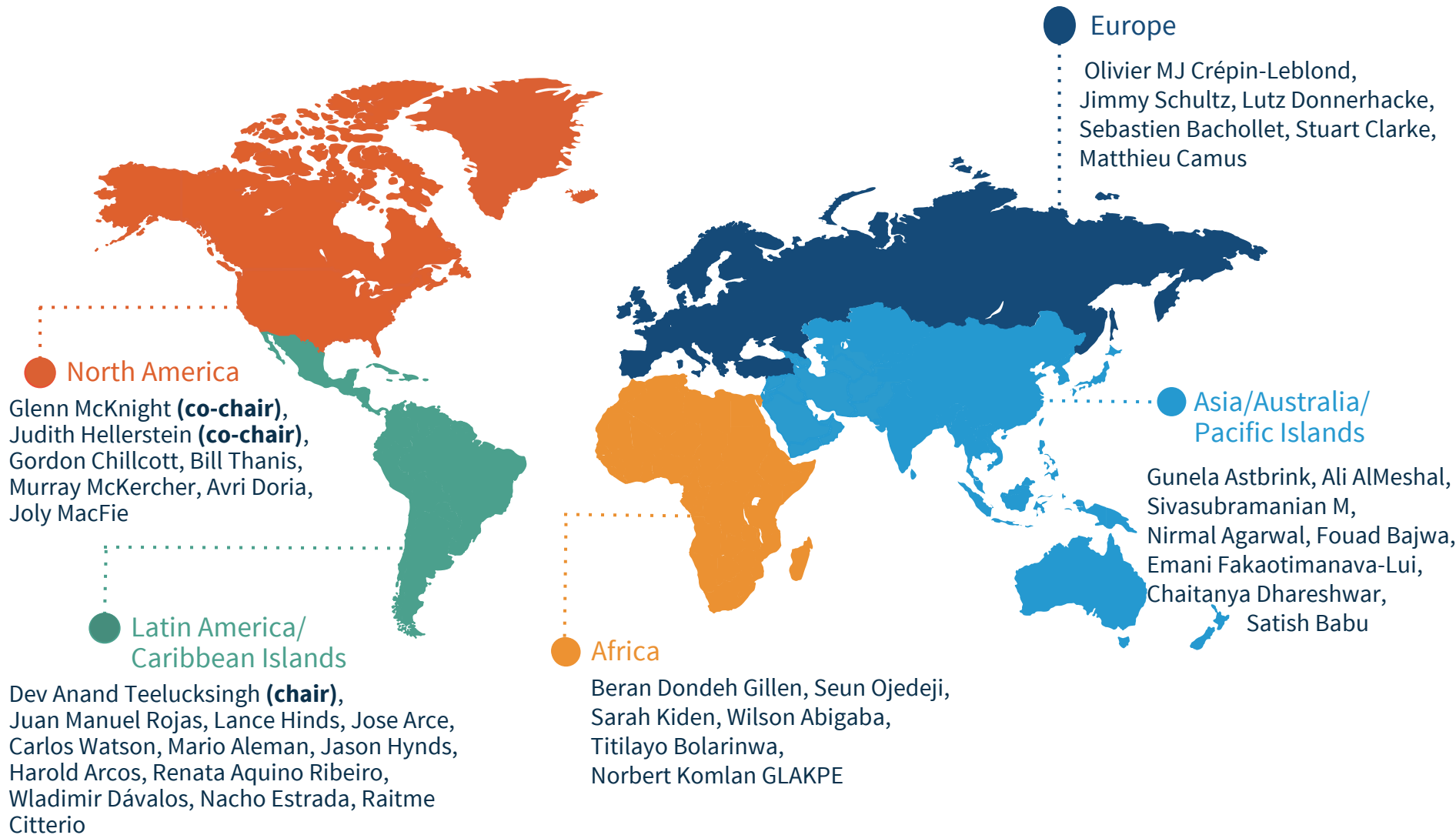
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Introduction to the At-Large Technology Taskforce (TTF)

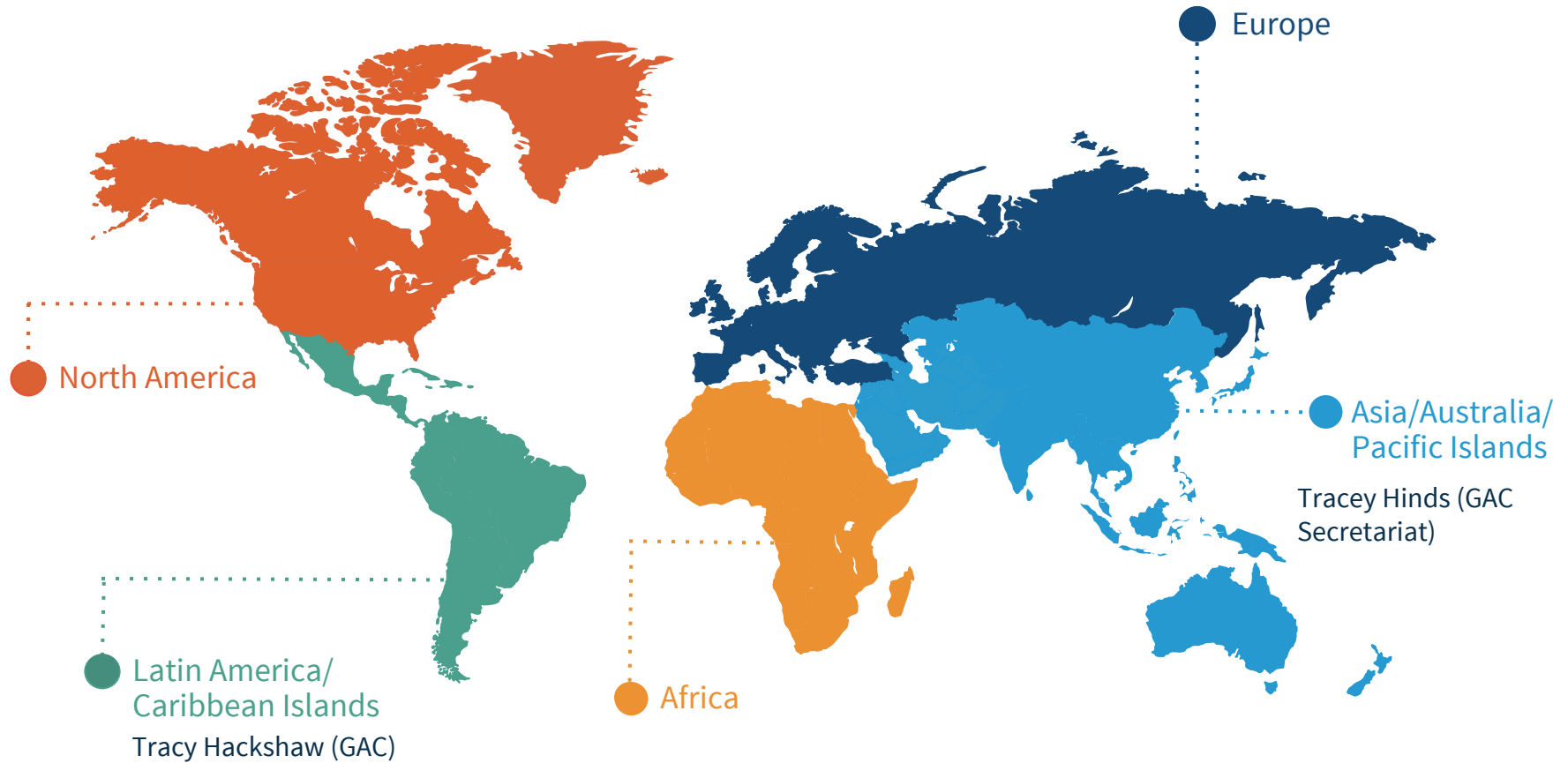
- The At-Large Technology Taskforce (TTF) evaluates and reviews Information and Communication Technologies that can help the ICANN At-Large Community (including the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)) better able to accomplish their role in ICANN activities.
- Anyone interested in Information and Communication Technology and how they can be applied to solve the needs of ICANN At-Large and other ICANN communities are welcome to attend by emailing ICANN At-Large Staff at staff@atlarge.icann.org

- The TTF was established as part of the recommendations coming from the [ALAC/At-Large Improvements Project Final Report](#) in June 2012. These recommendations include:
 - Introduce to At-Large Structures (ALS) selected information, dissemination, communication and collaboration tools and provide training.
 - Review of communication and collaboration needs considered unmet by ALSes and Regional At-Large Organisations (RALOs) globally by evaluating technologies currently in use by At-Large or elsewhere in ICANN and to identify and review other technologies as they become available.

At-Large TTF Members



Other TTF Members



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Who can be in the TTF?

The Technology Task Force (TTF) consists of members from the At-Large community and other members of AC/SOs.

We welcome anyone from the At-Large community to join us by emailing ICANN At-Large Staff at staff@atlarge.icann.org

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How often do we meet?

We have one to two conference calls per month.

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TTF Workspace where we document our activities

<https://community.icann.org/x/JZvbAQ>

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TTF wiki page

<https://community.icann.org/x/FpfbAQ>

TTF activities since the ICANN 54 Dublin meeting

- ◎ Held four conference calls
 - [2015-11-9](#) meeting to test [Clickmeeting](#) conferencing solution
 - [2015-11-16](#) meeting with David Goulet of the TOR project
 - [2015-12-14](#) call with ICANN Staff to discuss [At-Large Technology Issues](#)
 - [2016-01-18](#) call continued discussion of the At-Large Technology Issues and the budget proposal to fix the LACRALO mailing lists.

- submitted [budget proposal to fix the bugs in ICANN's machine translation tool used for the LACRALO mailing lists](#)
- The volunteer ICANN staff person has put some fixes into the new translation tool meant for the LACRALO lists. A call for volunteers was done and several persons are now subscribed to the new lists to test the email translation tool. Bug reports have been noted on the [discussion of LACRALO mailing list issues](#) page
- Several updates to the TTF workspace (<https://community.icann.org/x/JZvbAQ>) for ATLAS II Recommendations

Next steps for At-Large Proposals: E-books ; Captioning

Real-Time Captioning Pilot- Judith

The current FY 16 ICANN Budget Committee approved Judith Hellerstein's proposal for a Pilot for Real-Time Captioning of up to 3 Adobe Connect working groups, RALO, ALAC, or Webinars a month. Money for this pilot will come from ICANN's core budget.

The goal of the Pilot is to gather the necessary metrics to illustrate the need for captioning not only for accessibility reasons but also for those with limited bandwidth. The data gained from this pilot should help us meet these goals and show the need for captioning ICANN wide.

- We are targeting RALO meetings as our goal is to increase engagement in ICANN within each of the respective regions.
- We are also targeting the working groups and webinars to promote more engagement from RALOs in these working groups.
- We think this will lead to more effective participation and engagement within ICANN. This is especially the case for people who are coming from bandwidth challenged countries where lack of bandwidth has limited their participation within ICANN.

Ebooks (Glenn McKnight)

- FY16 budget has approved the creation of EBOOKS for ALAC resources, ICANN Academy and Policy documents.
- Production of Nine Emails. Half produced with Maureen Hilyard based upon the Capacity Building Sessions.
 - **Working Groups Part One**
<http://online.anyflip.com/xqto/ftpc/mobile/index.html>
 - **Working Groups Part Two**
<http://anyflip.com/xqto/miuf>
 - ***ALS and Volunteer Engagement Within Work Groups***
<http://online.anyflip.com/xqto/fyvf/>
 - A special Ebook produced on how to produce an Ebook
<http://fliphtml5.com/mebb/ecuk>

ICANN55 mobile app, discussion with Chris Gift, VP, Product Management

Update on LACRALO mailing list issues, discussion with Josh Jenkins, Sr Systems Engineer, ICANN

- ◉ LACRALO has two mailing lists
 - LACRALO list in English: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-en/>
 - LACRALO list in Spanish: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-es/>
- ◉ Emails in english sent to lac-discuss-en@atlarge-lists.icann.org are machine translated via ICANN “translation bot” using Google Translate and posted to lac-discuss-es@atlarge-lists.icann.org.
- ◉ Similarly, emails in Spanish are sent to the lac-discuss-es@atlarge-lists.icann.org and are translated and posted to lac-discuss-en@atlarge-lists.icann.org.

- Missing identifier in subject lines “[lac-discuss-es]” of translated emails posted to the lac-discuss-es list

An example:

(a) First email posted to lac-discuss-en list :

Subject line: **[lac-discuss-en] ICANN full list of applied for gTLD strings**

(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-en/2012/005932.html>)

(b) which is translated and posted to lac-discuss-es list as:

Subject line: **Lista completa de la ICANN solicitó cadenas de gTLD**

(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-es/2012/004552.html>)

The subject line is missing the [lac-discuss-es]. This hampers filtering by ES users and makes it difficult to track threaded conversations.

- Subject lines of translated emails from ES to EN become garbled.

The subject line of translated emails (seemingly) from the lac-discuss-ES list to the lac-discuss-EN list often translated to garbled text. An example:

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(c) Someone on the lac-discuss-es list replies and get posted to lac-discuss-es list as:

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(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-es/2012/004553.html>)

(d) which is translated and posted to the en list as:

Subject line: **[lac-discuss-en] =? Iso-8859-1? Q? Lista_completa_de_la_ICANN_solici? ==Iso-8859-1? Q? T = F3_cadenas_de_gTLD? =**

(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-en/2012/005933.html>)

- Subject lines of translated emails from ES to EN become garbled.

Such gibberish in the subject lines gets worse and worse if someone responds on the EN list and the translation further scrambles the subject line on the other list. Another example:

(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-es/2012/004039.html>)

Subject line: [lac-discuss-es] =? Iso-8859-1? Q? Invitación = F3n_a_la_reuni = F3n/_LAC? == Iso-8859-1? Q? RALO_Costa_Rica_Eventos_rueda_de_prensa_Grupo_de_Tr? == Iso-8859-1? Q? Abajo_el_martes_06_de_marzo_2012_a_las_20 = 3A00.UTC? =

gets translated and posted to the EN list as

(Email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-en/2012/005357.html>)

Subject line: [lac-discuss-en] =? Iso-8859-1? Q? = 3D = 3F_Iso-8859-1 = 3F_Q = 3F_Invitac? == Iso-8859-1? Q? I = F3n_ = 3D_F3n = 5FA = 5Fla = 5Freuni_ = 3D_F3n = 5F / = 5FLAC = 3F? == iso-8859-1? q? _ = 3D = 3D_Iso-8859-1 = 3F_Q = 3F_RALO = 5FCosta = 5FRica = 5FEv? == iso-8859-1? q? ents = 5Frueda = 5Fde = 5Fprensa = 5FGrupo = 5Fde = 5FTr = 3F_? == iso-8859-1? q? = 3D = 3D_Iso-8859-1 = 3F_Q = 3F_Abajo = 5Fel 5Fmartes = 5F06 =? == iso-8859-1? q? = 5Fde = 5Fmarzo = 5F2012 = 5FA = 5Flas = 5F20_ = 3D_3A00 = 5FUTC? == iso-8859-1? q? = 3F_ = 3D? =

- Unusual superscript and other odd characters in translated emails

The translation of the actual body of emails has strange characters, some of which are superscript characters appearing in the translated version. For example:

“For example, I am hearing reference to the Chairman as President, where it is said that the Spanish translation for "the Chairman" is "el Presidente". In English, there is a clear distinction between a Chairman and a President, just as there is a difference between "sovereign" and the "highest-decision making body" of an organisation. The highest decision making body in any organisation is also subject to rules. It cannot even breach its own rules and as a matter of fact, will be judged on how well it has been able to observe its own rules.”

(Source email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-en/2012/005858.html>)

“Por ejemplo, estoy escuchando referencia al Presidente, como Presidente, en el que Se dice que la traducción al español para "el Presidente" es "el Presidente". En Inglés, existe una clara distinción entre un Presidente y un Presidente, asÃ- como hay una diferencia entre "soberano" y el "mÃ;s alto de toma de Ã³rgano ";de una organizaciÃ³n. El mÃ;s alto Ã³rgano de decisiÃ³n en cualquier la organizaciÃ³n tambiÃ©n estÃ; sujeto a reglas. Ni siquiera puede romper sus propias reglas y como una cuestiÃ³n de hecho, serÃ; juzgado por lo bien que ha sido capaz de observar sus propias reglas.”

(Translated email: <http://atlarge-lists.icann.org/pipermail/lac-discuss-es/2012/004483.html>)

As you can see,

- a character like a double quote " is translated to ";
- a word like "organisation" is translated to organizaciÃ³n
- a sentence like "The highest decision making body in any organisation is also subject to rules." is translated to "El mÃ;s alto Ã³rgano de decisiÃ³n en cualquier la organizaciÃ³n tambiÃ©n estÃ; sujeto a reglas."

- New translation tool being tested

ICANN Staff have created two mailing lists:

- New-transbot-en (<http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/new-transbot-en/>)
- New-transbot-es (<http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/new-transbot-es/>)

with a select number of persons on those lists for testing purposes.

Some of the key changes implemented for the new translation tool.

- The lack of punctuation was identified as a key issue for the poor translation of emails. This is because the translate tool can only send a certain amount of characters to the Google Translate API. Without punctuation, the translation tool would have to send text mid sentence. One of the outcomes from the LACRALO translation WG was the “Proposed Notice when email is not translated” message which would be sent to the user if the email had formatting issues. See <https://community.icann.org/x/aYtEAg>
- Subject lines would not be translated to ensure the conversation thread would not be lost and reduce the chance of garbled subject lines.

<http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/new-transbot-en/2015-October/000078.html>

Subject: [New-transbot-en] ICANN full list of applied for gTLD strings

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) received a total of 1930 applications, after refunds, for new generic top-level domains.

- * 1846 of those are ³standard² applications.
- * 84 are designated as ³community-based².

Of the 1930, 66 have designated themselves as geographic name applications.
116 applications are Internationalized Domain Names, or IDNs, using non-Latin scripts.

Three applicants seek support through ICANN¹'s Applicant Support Program.

Applications were received from 60 countries. Using ICANN¹'s definitions of the world¹'s regions, which can be viewed on our website:

- * 911 applications came from North America.
- * 675 from Europe.
- * 303 applications are from the Asia-Pacific region.
- * 24 are from Latin America and the Caribbean.
- * 17 from Africa.

Some domain names have been applied for by more than one applicant.
There are 230 domain names for which at least two applications were submitted, involving a total of 751 applications.

The Full list of applied for gTLD strings :

<http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/application-results/strings-1200> utc-13jun12-en

...translates to <http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/new-transbot-es/2015-October/000066.html>

[New-transbot-es] ICANN full list of applied for gTLD strings

[[--Translated text (en -> es)--]]

Sujeto: ICANN full list of applied for gTLD strings De: Josh Jenkins <josh.jenkins at icann.org>

La Corporación de Internet para la Asignación de Nombres y Números de Internet (ICANN) recibido un total de 1930 solicitudes, después de los reembolsos, de nuevo genérico dominios de nivel superior.

- * 1.846 de ellos son las aplicaciones estándar.
- * 84 son designados como basado en la comunidad.

De los 1930, 66 han designado a sí mismos como las solicitudes de nombres geográficos. 116 aplicaciones son nombres de dominio internacionalizados, o IDN, utilizando alfabetos no latinos.

Tres demandantes solicitan apoyo a través del Programa de Apoyo ICANN solicitante.

Se recibieron solicitudes de 60 países. El uso de ICANN definiciones de las regiones mundos, que se pueden ver en nuestra página web:

- * 911 solicitudes procedían de América del Norte.
- * 675 desde Europa.
- * 303 aplicaciones son de la región de Asia-Pacífico.
- * 24 son de América Latina y el Caribe.
- * 17 de África.

Algunos de los nombres de dominio han sido solicitadas por más de un solicitante.

Hay 230 nombres de dominio para el que al menos dos aplicaciones eran presentado, con un total de 751 solicitudes.

La lista completa de las cadenas de gTLD solicitada:

<http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/application-results/strings-1200> utc-13jun12-en

- There are still lots of “false positives” resulting in messages being rejected.
- Testing to continue to identify and debug the false positives
- Once determined to be good enough, the intent to hold a conference call with LACRALO to discuss the upcoming changes and how to minimise their emails not being translated
- Perform the changeover (which can be done fairly quickly)
- Longer term:
 - Have this project be properly supported by ICANN
 - Look at different redesign of the LACRALO lists
- Wiki page: <https://community.icann.org/x/z4VZAg>

**Conferencing Tools,
discussion with
Josh Baulch, Manager,
Meetings Technical Services, ICANN**

Update on At-Large Summit II recommendations assigned to the Technology Taskforce

- The At-Large Summit II (ATLAS II) was a meeting of representatives of At-Large Structures from all RALOs at the ICANN 50th meeting in London in 2014. At ATLAS II, At-Large Representatives developed a range of recommendations and observations on the future direction of ICANN.
- The complete ATLAS II declaration with all of the 43 recommendations can be found at <https://community.icann.org/x/d5ThAg>
- Some of the 43 ATLAS II recommendations (10,11,17,19, 26,29,31,39) were allocated to the TTF (some in coordination with other At-Large WGs) for implementation. This list of ATLAS II Recommendations for the TTF can be found at <https://community.icann.org/x/YhfxAg>

Recommendation 10

“The next evolution of language services must adopt further extension of live scribing for all meetings and generally extend the current interpretation and translation processes and make translation available in a timely manner.”

Assigned to

- *Accessibility WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 10

- Evaluated Adobe Connect plugins for live captioning on a Joint Accessibility WG/TTF call on 2014-09-08. <https://community.icann.org/x/8xvxAg>
- An At-Large FY16 budget request to conduct a pilot program to live caption 6 meetings/calls a month was submitted to (and approved by) ICANN. <https://community.icann.org/x/rgAnAw>

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Assigned to

- *Accessibility WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 10

- ICANN Language Services provides interpretation for
 - a. At-Large F2F meetings in English, Spanish, French and additional local languages .
 - b. ALAC monthly calls in English, Spanish, French and Russian.
 - c. LACRALO calls in English, Spanish & Portuguese.
 - d. AFRALO calls in English & French.
 - e. At-Large WGs on request if more than 3 persons on the call request such services.
- ICANN Language Services transcribes the audio recordings of ALAC/At-Large meetings and provides a transcript within a week. At-Large Staff posts the transcript on the meeting wiki page.

Recommendation 11

“ICANN must implement a range of services to facilitate access according to various criteria (gender; cultural diversity) and user needs (disabilities, etc...).”

Assigned to

- *Accessibility WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 11

- Language Service provides interpretation and transcription services (as noted for Rec 10).
- A pilot program to live caption several At-Large meetings will begin Oct 2015 as per an At-Large FY16 budget request (as noted for Rec 10)
- The TTF also reviewed tools to caption and subtitle videos in January 2015: *“Craptions to Captions”* and Amara. <https://community.icann.org/x/jpcQAw>

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- *Accessibility WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 11

- The TTF is working with ICANN IT staff to have a new version of the machine translation tools used for the LACRALO English and Spanish mailing lists. <https://community.icann.org/x/z4VZAg>

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Assigned to

- *Accessibility WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 11

- The TTF notes the availability of various tools that can be used by ICANN At-Large to assist with communicating with and collaborating in another language including
 - Google Translate App for Mobiles
 - Microsoft Translator for Mobiles
 - Skype Translator Preview
 - Web browser translation plugins

These tools were documented at

<https://community.icann.org/x/eaA0Aw>

Translation Tools



Created by Dev Anand Teelucksingh, last modified on Oct 21, 2015 Translate

Below, you will find various tools for your operating system or mobile platform that can be used by ICANN At-Large members to help translate content and/or communicate with another person in another language.

By Platform

Mac OS X

- How to use the Wiki Translate Plugin
- Translator plugins for desktop browsers

Windows (7,8,1,10)

- Microsoft Outlook
- Document Translator
- Skype Translator
- Bing Translator for Windows
- How to use the Wiki Translate Plugin
- Translator plugins for desktop browsers

Linux

- How to use the Wiki Translate Plugin
- Translator plugins for desktop browsers

Apple iOS

- Google Translate for mobile devices
- Microsoft Translator for Mobile Devices

Android mobile devices

- Google Translate for mobile devices
- Microsoft Translator for Mobile Devices

Window Phone

By Task

- How to use the Wiki Translate Plugin
- How to translate web pages in your browser
- How to translate a document (PDF, DOC)

Recommendation 17

“ICANN needs to be sensitive to the fact that social media are blocked in certain countries and, in conjunction with technical bodies, promote credible alternatives.

Assigned to

- *At-Large Social Media WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 17

- At-Large also held a Workshop on “TOR and alternative naming mechanisms to the DNS” at ICANN Singapore 2014. <https://community.icann.org/x/7CPRAg>
- TTF has reviewed Group Chat services <https://community.icann.org/x/Hr3hAg> such as Slack and HipChat.

Group chat allows for persons to be able to instant message either directly to another person or to groups of persons.

ATLAS II Recommendation 17 (Rec 17)

ICANN At-Large

● devtee

CHANNELS

iana

newgtlds

random

smwg

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whois

Create a channel...

DIRECT MESSAGES

♥ slackbot

● ariel

● berangillen

● brainstreetceo

● carltons

● clo

● evanleibovitch


● murraymckercher

● niigani


● ocl

● nievskv

#newgtlds

 **aevtee** 12:02 AM
joined #newgtlds

 **devtee** 12:02 AM
set the channel purpose: Discussion about anything about #newgTLDs

 **devtee** 12:06 AM
"New research from AT&T is seeking to create logical procedures to identify and classify the words in malicious domain names – and have found some unusual results. The paper [Breaking Bad: Detecting malicious domains using word segmentation \[PDF\]](http://thestack.com/wei-wang-and-kenneth-shirley-malicious-domain-word-segm) by Wei Wang and Kenneth Shirley investigates to what extent the individuation of words in primary domain names (rather than URLs which point to pages or content beyond the URL root) can accurately predict whether the domain is connected to illicit or illegal activity, such as being used as a Command-and-Control (C&C) server, or to dispense malicious binaries to users who have been tricked into visiting them, often by phishing techniques or redirects."

Read more at

<http://thestack.com/wei-wang-and-kenneth-shirley-malicious-domain-word-segm>

THE STACK

The research paper can be found at

<http://arxiv.org/ftp/arxiv/papers/1506/1506.04111.pdf>

12:07 ★ Might be of interest to the [#technologytaskforce](#) 😊

screenshot of Slack

Recommendation 17

“ICANN needs to be sensitive to the fact that social media are blocked in certain countries and, in conjunction with technical bodies, promote credible alternatives.

Assigned to

- *At-Large Social Media WG*
- *Technology Task Force*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 17

- Whilst several tools were identified that could be used to circumvent blocking of websites, there were concerns that listing such tools may contravene national laws in some countries and it would be difficult for ICANN to endorse or promote such an approach.

- Given the interest, the TTF will have conference calls after ICANN54 on some of these tools.

The TTF had a conference call with David Goulet on TOR in November 2015

<https://community.icann.org/x/mbLYAw>

- At-Large Social Media WG is researching alternative social media platforms that might have more acceptance than traditional ones

Recommendation 19

“Eliminate barriers to participation and engagement with ICANN processes and practices.

Assigned to

- *Capacity Building*
- *Outreach and Engagement*
- *Technology Task Force*
- *ALS Criteria and Expectations*

Summary of Implementation of Rec 19

- One of the challenges identified by the Outreach and Engagement SC and Capacity Building was the challenge of making webinars in Adobe Connect more accessible for use after the webinars (such as YouTube). The TTF will work with ICANN IT staff to investigate how this can be done.
- Another challenge for At-Large newcomers is the challenge of using tools like Adobe Connect. The TTF has developed a One Pager about Adobe Connect (<https://community.icann.org/x/DD9-Ag>) as a first step. See also the Adobe Connect page at <https://community.icann.org/x/6xcQAg>

Recommendation 26

Current policy management processes within ICANN are insufficient. ICANN must implement a workable Policy Management Process System, available for use across the SO/ACs, in order to:

- Enhance Knowledge Management,
- improve the effectiveness of all ICANN volunteer communities,
- improve cross-community policy-specific activity,
- enhance policy development metrics,
- facilitate multilingual engagement,
- create a taxonomy of policy categories,
- provide policy development history as an aid for newcomers.

Assigned to

- *At-Large Social Media WG*
- *Technology Task Force*
- *Capacity Building WG*

1

To quickly find historical information on a policy issue

For example, find policy history on “new gTLDs” and get a report in chronological order. Such searches could be further refined (e.g show history in past 4 years) or show the submissions made by a particular AC/SO on a policy issue. Such searches could be visualized using a timeline (e.g <http://codyhouse.co/gem/vertical-timeline/>)

A system would have the policy history stored in a manner to allow for such queries.

2

To subscribe to policy updates/notifications by interest

For a person who has a keen interest in certain policy issues (e.g IDNs), persons should be able to subscribe to receive updates on specific policy issues with links to where the discussions are happening for that AC/SO.

This is where a taxonomy of policy categories to be defined for past, current and future/upcoming policies. Furthermore, a policy system could track past user interactions, so that if a person commented on a particular policy issue (e.g WHOIS), they could be notified of new, related policy issues for their review.

3

Track deadlines for responding to policy comments

With multiple policy comment periods happening simultaneously at different stages, a system should update a calendar or other system for the AC/SO to track and manage deadlines.

4

The ability to read policy issues and updates in your language

Comment Periods on Policies posted for review are posted in English with translated policy documents being uploaded at a later time. Persons should be able to subscribe to notifications when policies are available in their language to review.

5

Having the policy review process more accessible to mobile users

With more and more users using mobile devices, the policy review process should be made accessible to such users to engage in the policy process.

6

Reduce the manual duplication to disseminate information

AC/SOs expend a lot of effort to manually copying and pasting text in order to disseminate policy information to the communities and to the wider public (wiki pages, emails, sharing on social media). A system should offer sharing mechanisms so that persons wanting to get the word out can do so more easily.

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Summary of Implementation of Rec 26

- The At-Large Website is being developed. Some of the goals of its design are to
 - provide a policy background on policy issues
 - create a taxonomy of policy categories
 - highlight policy metrics.
 - autoimport content from icann.org to reduce manual copying and pasting
 - accessible via mobile devices
- The At-Large website can be viewed at <https://atlarge.icann.org/>

ATLAS II Recommendation 26 (Rec 26)



We are the At-Large Community
Help us shape the Internet's future



Get Started

- Learn About At-Large**
- Get Involved**
- Find an Event**

Welcome to the new At-Large Site

We hope you enjoy the new experience. This website will continue to evolve. For more information on coming features or to provide feedback, please look [here](#).

Advice Development

Topics and Working Groups

Since 2003, the [At-Large Advisory Committee](#) developed over 300 pieces of Advice on ICANN policies and issues impacting Internet users. Several of our working groups are dedicated to policy discussions and advice development activities. Click the graph to explore.



Latest Policy Advice

[Final Report Recommendations of the Geographic Regions Review Working Group](#)

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Final Report Recommendations of the Geographic Regions Review Working Group

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1. Develop First Draft

Ends: 8 Apr 2016

2. Open for Comment

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3. Finalize Final Draft

Ends: 18 Apr 2016

4. ALAC Vote

Ends: 25 Apr 2016

5. Submission

Drafting a Statement

First draft due: 8 Apr 2016 23:59 UTC

Background

Purpose: The cross-community Geographic Regions Review Working Group has produced its Final Report in which it proposes a series of recommendations regarding the ongoing application of the organization's geographic regions framework. The ICANN Board is interested in further community reaction to those recommendations and has instructed the Staff to open and manage a public comment period of at least 120 days to give the community an opportunity to thoroughly review the proposals and provide any additional comments on the working group recommendations. Current Status: Community feedback is requested concerning the Working Group recommendations. Next Steps: Upon completion of the public... [See public comment in icann.org](#)

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Topic: WHOIS

Background

When you register a domain name for your website, you are required to provide your identifying information, which may include: name, address, email, and phone number. This information is part of your "WHOIS" data (not an acronym), which also encompasses the technical, billing, and administrative contact information associated with your domain name.

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28 Nov 2015	Planned Implementation of the New Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) topic(s): DNS , WHOIS	Submission Ended on: 2015-11-28
6 Sep 2015	Next-Generation gTLD Registration Directory Services to Replace WHOIS Preliminary Issue Report topic(s): Contracted Party Agreements , Intellectual Property , Policy Processes , Security/Stability , WHOIS	Submission Ended on: 2015-09-06

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Recommendation 26

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- provide policy development history as an aid for newcomers.

Summary of Implementation of Rec 26

- The TTF held two calls [2015-07-20](#) & [2015-08-24](#) with Steve Allison from ICANN Staff to discuss the suitability of [Kavi](http://www.kavi.com/) (<http://www.kavi.com/>) which features the ability of teams to collaborate on documents, receive notifications, comment on documents, and vote on ballots.

After the reviews, and hearing the feedback from the GNSO trial, the TTF decided not to formally test Kavi further.

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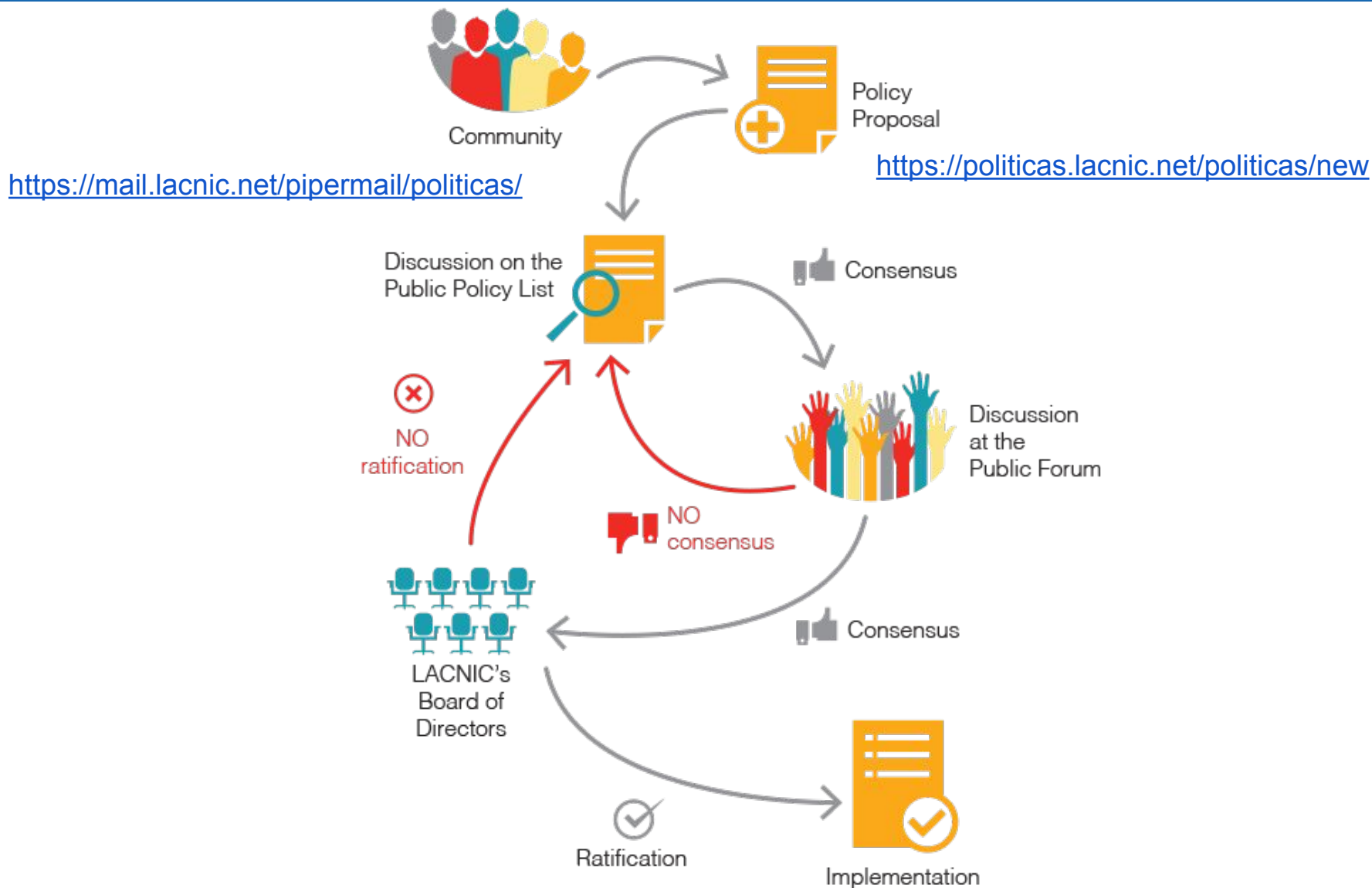
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Summary of Implementation of Rec 26

- The TTF will be reviewing the Policy Development Processes at the Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) to see what could be adapted for At-Large Policy Development.
- The TTF has a call on 2015-09-21 with Gianina Pensky and Kevon Swift from LACNIC to show how LACNIC does its Policy Development Process

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If you have any question, please contact info-politicas@lacnic.net.

If you would like to get help on presenting your proposal, we can contact you with a "Policy Shepherd", please email to info-politicas@lacnic.net



*Policy Shepherd: volunteer involved in the community with experience in the PDP (Policy Development Process) who will help on presenting your proposal.

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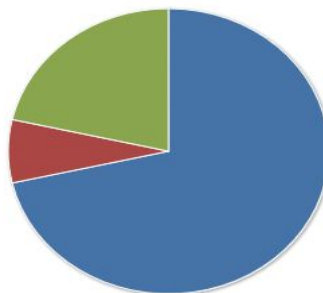
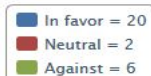
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Status	Under discussion	Download	TXT PDF XML DOCX		
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General opinion



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Proposal Data

Policy Type: Expedited
Id: LAC-2015-6
Last version: 1

Summary

The proposal seeks to modify sections 11.1 and 11.2 of LACNIC's Policy Manual, extending IPv4 Exhaustion Phase 2 in the LAC region, doubling the space assigned to Phase 2 from a / 11 to a / 10, to allow current members easier access to IPv4 addresses.

According to current estimates based on an analysis of resource assignments in the LAC region, Phase 2 will end in mid-October 2015. We therefore recommend that this modification be processed using the expedited process.

Recommendation 31

ICANN and the ALAC should investigate the use of simple tools and methods to facilitate participation in public comments, and the use of crowdsourcing.

Assigned to

- Technology Task Force
- At-Large Social Media WG
- RALO chairs

Summary of Implementation of Rec 31

- The TTF has evaluated Loomio (<https://www.loomio.org/>) and reviewed Kavi (<https://www.kavi.com/>)
- The TTF is to review tools such as
 - Liquid Feedback
 - Confluence Questions for the Wiki
 - Discourse

<https://community.icann.org/x/QaM0Aw>

Recommendation 39

ICANN should encourage “open data” best practices that foster re-use of the information by any third party.

Assigned to

- Technology Task Force

Summary of Implementation of Rec 39

- A significant amount of information produced by ICANN and At-Large over the years is already public however, its not stored in an organised way, (wikis, websites) making information hard to locate and to re-use.
- The TTF met with Chris Gift from ICANN (<https://community.icann.org/x/kw8nAw>) who discussed how ICANN is looking to adopt open data practices.

Recommendation 29

“The ALAC should implement an automated system for tracking topics of interest currently being discussed among the various RALOs, and accessible by everyone.”

Assigned to

- Capacity Building WG
- Technology Task Force
- At-Large Social Media WG

Summary of Implementation of Rec 29

- The TTF looking to syndicate RALO topics across all RALO wiki pages using the Confluence’s wiki capabilities.
- TTF has worked on a template on Confluence for RALO Secretariat Report to standardise the reporting of RALO activities for easier distribution and sharing on social media. Screencast: <https://community.icann.org/x/YblYAw>
- The “news” page on the new At-Large website can allow templates for reporting RALO updates.

Any other business