
SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Hello everybody. Welcome to the September RALO Secretariats' call. I'm happy to have you here. We have a huge Agenda to cover, so I would like to ask Staff to do the roll call please?

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Of course Silvia. This is Nathalie, I'll do the roll call for you now. Good morning, good afternoon and good evening everybody. Welcome to the At-Large Regional Secretariats' call on Thursday, 26th of September 2013 at 14:00 UTC. On the call today we have Pavan Budhrani, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Maureen Hilyard, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Sylvia Herlein-Leite, Garth Bruen and Siranush Vardanyan.

We have apologies from Wolf Ludwig and Fatimata Seye Sylla. From Staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco and myself, Nathalie Peregrine. I'd like to remind you all to please state your names before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much and over to you Silvia.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay, thank you Nathalie. Well, regarding the Agenda, the next Item, Item #3, is Action Items. But I would like to go to #4 in order that Maureen – for Maureen is too late at night –, so I would like to ask her if she could start with an update on ALAC [metric? 01:36]. So please Maureen, you have the floor.

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MAUREEN HILYARD: [inaudible 01:52] Can you hear me?

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Not too well.

MAUREEN HILYARD: Can you hear me?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Maureen, could you move a little further away from your speaker please? Just a little further away?

MAUREEN HILYARD: Thank you. First of all, thank you very much for allowing me to attend your meeting this morning. I've just seen on... I'm getting some feedback now. Sorry. I'm very grateful that you've invited me to this meeting. I just wanted to update you on the Metrics Group, which I'm a Member of.

[03:00] that the Metrics Group has been inexistent for some time, since 2012, and its goal is to review [03:13] of the ALAC Rules of Procedure, which is looking specifically at minimum participation requirements of ALAC Members. The issues are complex and very sensitive, so we have to ensure that the [03:32] recommendations that we make, on the back of contributions [that were made 3:35] for whom ALAC Members are accountable.

And this will involve our RALOs. We are [03:46] that people who stand on the ALAC are volunteers, so it's clearly understood that we have to take into account that their involvement is voluntary, but at the same time, as Committee Members, it is important too that there is a degree of accountability, which the metrics system would hopefully provide information that appropriately [04:22] ALAC's performance.

Just [04:25] here but I can't hear any feedback, so I'm not... Because I turned off my speaker, so I'm sorry if somebody wants to ask a question or something. [04:37] looking at measuring performance, we need to be able to measure both the qualitative and quantitative environments. And it's because of the sensitivity of the issues that we really need to get the feedback from Secretariats and from ALSes about what sort of information do you want and how should it be reported.

So what we're actually asking is that every Working Group would really like some feedback from you, the RALO Secretariats and the ALSes, if possible, on what kind of contributions you can make to help us with really quite complex [05:24]. And as I said, this is a very sensitive topic, but this is one of the reasons why we do need to have grass-roots level input and we'd appreciate your contributions, either on the Wiki or [05:41].

Okay, so that's it for me and I'm going to turn my speaker back on again.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Okay, thank you Maureen. I'm so sorry but I couldn't understand everything you've said, so could anyone do a little summary about what

Maureen's said? Or do you want to hold up your hand and say something? Because for me it was really hard to understand everything.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Can I suggest that we basically just put in for the Wiki page for the APRALO metrics, and you'll then be able to go in on your own and take a look at what they're doing on that? Very quickly, Cheryl is leading a metrics group for APRALO and they're reviewing their organizational document to put them into synch with the new ALAC Rules of Procedures. And that's something that all of the RALOs will need to do eventually.

So APRALO is leading on this and it's something that you might want to look at – how they're doing and what they're doing on their calls, and then pick this up in due time in your own RALOs. I think that's a very brief summary.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Okay, thank you Heidi. Well, talking about LACRALO, we are really working in our next meeting, so I need to apologize for all the Members of LACRALO because we don't have any time to do that reviewing. So I don't know if someone would like to talk about the other RALOs? Are you already working on it like APRALO, or what's your situation on it now, about point five?

Okay, it seems that we need to work on it and maybe we'll talk about this in our next teleconference, right? Okay. So now I would like to discuss with you Item #6.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Sorry, could I just make a quick summary of what APRALO is doing in their review of the Rules of Procedures, if I may?

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Of course.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes. It refers to RALO that it's reviewing the internal Rules of Procedures to make sure that they are consistent with the new ALAC Rules of Procedures. So they have already created a Working Group, they have two penholders and the first task that they have is to review each title of the ALAC Rules of Procedures and compare the new provisions with the APRALO provisions.

So it will be very detailed work. It will take a few months, and they have set themselves a deadline to craft the new Rules of Procedures as approved at the Singapore meeting. So the idea is that the other RALOs – I know that at least LACRALO and NARALO need to review their Rules of Procedures for other issues, but in general, all the RALOs who are already checking on Rules of Procedures and beginning this work. So that's basically it. Thank you Sylvia.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Okay, thank you Silvia. Well, I think we can take the APRALO as guidance to do that. As Silvia said, we need to take everything we already have in our rules and compare them with the new ones. So I think for sure we can take APRALO's work as good guidance. Is there anyone that would like to talk about that point? No? Okay, so maybe, Silvia Vivanco, we can take this for an AI for our October teleconference, please, to talk about Item #5?

And now, talking about Item #6, I would like to hear from you some ideas about what we want to do in Buenos Aires. As you know, we are going to have a meeting with Fadi Chehadé like we had in Durban. We had the first one, an intimate meeting with Fadi. So we need to think about taking advantage of that great opportunity, and maybe we can make an Agenda in order to let him know what our necessities are.

So I don't know if you already have an idea of what we can do or tell Fadi? Does someone want to say something? Because I think it's really important that Fadi's giving us his time, so we really need to take advantage of that. Okay, so...

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Just a couple of things. First, we need to confirm that that is going to happen. I would expect that given the great success of the event in Durban that Fadi will have this event again in Buenos Aires. And secondly, I think it might be a really good opportunity to first introduce the new incoming Secretariats and RALO leaders – there's going to be

several coming in – and then also perhaps you can discuss the plans being made for the Summit. I think he'd like to hear a bit about that as well. Those are just some ideas.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Lovely. Yes, for sure, Heidi. We need to introduce the new ones and of course talk about the Summit. Thank you for that. But I thought it was already confirmed that... Maybe Staff were to say in October whether we already had the confirmation. Any more ideas about that? Okay, so we need to think more because as you know, Fadi's a busy guy, so we really need to take advantage of the time with him. We need to take this opportunity seriously.

So if you don't have any ideas about that meeting with Fadi, I would like to ask you if you have any concerns or ideas about our next Agenda, in the face-to-face meeting we're going to have in Buenos Aires. Tijani? Can you hear me Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you. I do confirm that the meeting with Fadi was successful and we need to improve it. We need to think of something more innovative. Last time it was the initiative of Fadi. This time it will be our initiative and we have to prepare something different, something that will be more fruitful for us. We need to think about what we need from Fadi and from Senior Leadership. So we need to prepare that, and I propose that we exchange on the list what kind of event we need with Fadi.

We need to reserve the slot with Heidi now, but we have to think about the content and how we will organize it. What kind of meeting with Fadi do we need and what are the subjects we want to discuss with him? Even if it will very informal also, because it's better – when it's informal it's friendly and more intimate, etc. But we need to use this time to make it fruitful. This is my first point.

My second point is that I think that in Buenos Aires we have the joint meeting between three or four Working Groups about the Summit, which will be the ATLAS II Working Group, the Regional Leadership. Also it will be the Capacity Building, the Academy also. All those people have to meet in Buenos Aires and discuss how we want to prepare our ALSes for the next meeting. It is a crucial point, and the CB Working Group is working hard on it, but we need thoughts of the whole regional leadership.

So I think that the meeting in Buenos Aires will be very important and very good to define. The result of the survey we've already initiated and I hope it will start circulating in a few weeks, and in Buenos Aires perhaps we'll have the output of the survey so that we can already decide what kind of capacity building we want to give our ALSes and how we want it to be done. Will it be the online platform? Will it be calls and discussion?

We have to discuss this and find the best way to make most of the ALSes participate in this capacity building part, since it will be crucial for them to participate in the Summit. So for me those are the two most

important things that we have to think about for Buenos Aires. Thank you.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Thank you Tijani. Yes, you are right. That's why I'm asking that we need to make a strategy in order to have a more effective meeting with Fadi. Of course the first was informal and we want another one because it's better to drink a glass of... Anything [laughter], but we need to make a strategy. So that's why I'm asking you to think, for our next meeting, if you have any idea how to conduct that informal meeting with Fadi.

I loved what you said in your second point. We need to know how to prepare our ALSes to improve the Summit. So that is very interesting – how to prepare our ALSes. That's why we need to think in order to work, and the second Summit will be a [19:04] one. Is there anyone who would like to say something about that?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Sylvia, may I propose an Action Item? That everyone thinks about the Fadi meeting and propose innovative things to make the next meeting different from the previous one and more productive, more fruitful.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Perfect. Thank you Tijani. Anyone? Heidi, do you want say something?

HEIDI ULLRICH: I think what you're discussing is right on. I think that's an excellent idea to move ahead with.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Okay, thank you. Okay. So we are done with Item #6. Okay, I think so. Perfect. Regarding Item #7 we have news from Heidi. Heidi, you have the floor.

HEIDI ULLRICH: This is a very exciting bit of news.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE Heidi's going to talk about Community Regional Outreach Pilot Programs.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We're going to be talking about... One moment please.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Okay. [laughter]

HEIDI ULLRICH: Sylvia, could you please put the information on the CROPP please? This stands for the Community Regional Outreach Pilot Program, and this is a very exciting program that's being operable to the gNSO non-contacted parties, as well as all five At-Large RALOs. And what this is going to be

offering is regional trips for Fiscal Year 14 to all of the five RALOs. So we're going to be – and Olivier can correct me if I'm not saying this correctly...

The RALOs are going to have the ultimate decision on which of the requests that you're going to be receiving should be approved, but the ALAC is suggesting that it goes through a little bit of a review process, and also this is built into the program as it exists currently. So there is a checklist that everyone needs to fill out – both the ALAC side and the gNSO side, including having the Regional Vice-President in your region acknowledge that the event that's being requested is a real event.

Then it's going to go through an ALAC CROPP Taskforce. That's going to be sitting within the new, revitalized Outreach Sub-Committee. And there's also going to be a little bit of connection with the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee as well. So the reason that there's going to be this connection for the Outreach Sub-Committee is that it was recognized by Olivier and others that the meetings that are going to be approved to go to need to be in synch with the overall At-Large outreach strategy. §

That's how it's going to be planned. So each of the RALOs are going to be reaching out to your ALSes and talking about this new CROP Program, and then as requests come in they will be filtered through the RALOs, through you as the leadership, your RALO, through this new Taskforce and then some input from the FBSC – the Financial Budget Sub-Committee.

There's also going to be a community call on this. I believe it's next week, but I very much suggest that all of you go and listen so that you'll be able to get more information from this. Sylvia's just put into the chat: "Wiki?" This is a Wiki that's going to be used in the Wiki, and you can see on here that there's an announcement that was sent out to you by Robert Hogarth. There there will be the forms that everyone needs to fill out, and the checklist.

And I know it's only in Fiscal Year 14, so it is a little bit tight. The process takes about eight weeks to go through the process, and it depends on how the ALAC, how the system works, so it might take a week or so longer. And then very importantly, because it is a pilot, ICANN will be looking at the results of this at the end of the Fiscal Year. So it's very important that proper metrics and reports are produced by everyone who goes onto these regional trips.

I see some hands up. Really quickly, it's not only meant for regional trips. It's based on a three-day, two-night trip. So it's not meant really for an ICANN meeting, which is much longer. It's meant for outreach, conferences, meetings in your regions that your ALSes would like to go to or where they believe that outreach can take place, according to the At-Large strategy.

So I'm going to hand it over to Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much. I just wanted to add a couple of words to Heidi's excellent explanation of this. The first one being I think the program was

designed in order to take away a bit of the pressure from all of our requests that we make to go over to trips like the local consumer electronics show, or to try and perform some outreach in a local or regional IGF – this sort of work. And usually these take one or two days of conferences, so that really effectively gives the RALOs the chance to choose who they want to send, and to choose what events they want to go to.

The reason for the coordination with the Outreach Working Group is obviously that this all has to be for outreach, and I guess there needs to be some synchronization between the different RALOs, etc., in knowing... Trying to basically make the most of the trip. And the reason why the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee is involved in this is I think primarily because the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee is made up of representatives from all of the RALOs.

And it would be really good to be able to learn from each other on the finance side of things; if the money that was spent was spent wisely and how that will work, and whether we can integrate this in future strategic work that we wish to do and put together. So that's why there's this oversight from the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee and being able to see if things work well. Since this is a pilot this year, there's going to be a real emphasis on the ROI.

So that's why we the RALOs really need to make sure they invest wisely in the people that they're sent to replace, and there's likely to be a request. And if you look at the CROP Program there's a request for a follow-up report as to what happened and who did you meet with and

what was the success rate, etc., etc. I really hope this is going to be a great success and it's now in the RALOs' hands to make this a great success.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Thank you Olivier. Tijani please?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Sylvia. This pilot program is a real success for our work, because we were always asking for outreach and additional budget requests. We have a lot of demand on funding and outreach. So for the first time ICANN listened to the community and ICANN decided to dedicate a fund for this particular point. And it's very important. And don't forget that with the non-contracted party of the gNSO we are the exclusive party with them, to benefit from this fund.

So this is a big game for us and we have to make use of it. We can't lose it. And the best way to lose it is to propose projects that don't cope with the [29:13] studies of ICANN, or that are not really an outreach project for our regions, or to propose good projects but not to implement it in the right way. This will make us lose it. It is a pilot project. So this project will be conducted in the future if the pilot project is successful.

So we have to be aware of this opportunity and to really take it seriously and to try to make it a standing project, not a pilot project in the future. Each year I hope that we will have the same. Thank you.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Thank you Tijani. Yes, I really agree with you and we need to be clear on how to use that improvement. So I would like to read what Pavan has written on the Wiki: “I think RALOs would suggest a project to ALAC for a vote, and once it’s approved then we can start outreach to who would be there.” Yes, I think so too. Does anyone have any comments about that? Olivier?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

We’re just calling him back so we might need to repeat this. I think he’s going to comment on this. I don’t know if there is... I don’t think that Olivier agrees on the ALAC voting on it because this is really for the RALOs, and that’s why the idea of having a Taskforce developed, that all of the representatives from the RALOs are on... Let me just make sure he’s realizing what this is and make sure he’s back. Nathalie, is he back on yet?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

May I speak on that? This project is for the RALOs, so the RALOs will propose projects, but there will be the Finance and Budget Sub-Committee who is always in charge of the strategic, budget and finance points, so this Sub-Committee will take all the requests and try and harmonize them and make sure they are in the strategic perspective of ICANN, etc. And then the RALOs will be the ones that will conduct their project.

So there will be not an oversight, but let’s say there will be an accompaniment of the RALOs to do so. Thank you.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE Thank you Tijani. Olivier please?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. I think Tijani's said very well what I was going to say. This really is for the RALOs. It's an empowerment of the RALOs. It's for the RALOs to choose, and I know there has been in the past some criticism of saying: "the RALOs are always being told what to do by the ALAC," and I think on this case it's really a case of the RALOs who know better. They should know who the people are that they should target in their region.

The overall oversight from the Finance and Budget Working Group and so on is to just make sure that we are following the right track as far as the overall strategy of At-Large and the overall strategy for ICANN – since this is one of the requisites of the program itself – is keeping in synch with the At-Large strategy. But I have no idea of who to target in North America or in Africa.

I might have a few ideas – being in Europe – of the people to target in Europe and the organizations and meetings to go to in Europe, but certainly not across all of the regions. And that's why the Regional Secretariats and the Regional Leadership are the people who need to do their homework and find out who would benefit best. Thanks.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Thanks Olivier. Lots of work to do. Lovely. We love that. Okay.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Enjoy!

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Anyone who would like to comment. Okay, we need to think a lot on that. It's a good opportunity and maybe we can answer for our asking. So now we need to work. Lovely.

Okay, so we need to go to Items #8 and #9. I would like to tell you that the Staff did great work creating a Wiki page where they put all the cross-RALO policy development activities that we've already done or are doing. So I'm going to ask Silvia to put that link here, in order for you to see all the work that's been done in all the RALOs. So we've had all that work put into one page.

So I think we need to take advantage of that and it would be lovely to talk about it, because we're always asking to not discuss procedures but about policy. So we have it all here in one page. And as we said in Durban, it would be great for all the Secretariats of the RALOs to talk about these and interchange ideas. And as was said in Durban, it would be great to have a teleconference to talk about that only.

But in my own perspective, as we have a lot of meetings, I would like to suggest that maybe we can expand our Secretariats' monthly meeting by half an hour, to discuss only cross-RALO policy, so that we will have only one meeting per month: the one-hour Secretariats' meeting and half an hour more for the cross-RALO policy. What do you think about that

please? Do you agree with me? Can we do it like this, or do you want a separate meeting? Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Sylvia. I think that for the cross-RALO policy discussion we need people to go on the Wiki and put their concerns there. This is the right way to do it. When we have a concern that is shared inside the five regions, we can make a call for it. We can make a teleconference for it and discuss it if it is necessary. But first we have to have the issues, the problems, the concerns.

So we have to put those on this Wiki page and after that, when we have substance for a meeting, yes, we do a meeting; we do a call. If there is not substance then I don't think it is useful to program calls without having something to discuss. Thank you.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Okay Tijani. So you're saying that first we need to write feedback on the Wiki page and after that maybe we can ask for a teleconference, right?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Exactly.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Okay, thank you Tijani. Any other ideas about the other RALOs? Okay, Pavan agrees and Siranush agrees too. Okay. What about the others?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Perhaps, if you would like, I could send a reminder to all the RALOs to use the Wiki?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes please.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Yeah, sure. Thank you Silvia. Yes, if we are going to do as Tijani suggested we need to ask everyone by email to put some feedback in that Wiki and then we'll know if we have sufficient material after that we can have a call, or we can extend or next meeting to talk about that. Okay, so we are done with that. I don't know if you have any other business to talk about?

I would like to ask Silvia Vivanco to put another Action Item down – we need to think towards our October meeting; to work toward a specific Agenda for our face-to-face meeting face-to-face in Buenos Aires in November. So please think about what you need or what you want to talk about face-to-face in November. Heidi please?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Just to remind everyone that the Secretariats are not going to have a single face-to-face meeting on your own. This time you're going to have a joint ATLAS II and Regional Secretariats' meeting, so perhaps you need

to coordinate that with Olivier and Eduardo, who are leading the ATLAS II Organizing Committee on the development of the Agenda.

That meeting is going to be a two-hour meeting on Wednesday, the 20th of November from 11:00 to 13:00, and there's also a slot for a meeting later in that day with the ATLAS II Organizing Committee, the Capacity Building Working Group, the Academy Building Working Group and the Regional Secretariat meeting.

That meeting is right now 16:00 to 17:00 on Wednesday, and that meeting is basically to ensure how all of the regions and At-Large structures are going to be made aware of the Summit and be involved in the preparation of the Summit, and what materials for example you might like to provide to the ALSes in advance of the Summit.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Okay, perfect Heidi. So we only need to think maybe to add some items into that meeting you've already explained to us now. Okay, perfect. Tijani please?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Sylvia. Heidi, you are always forgetting that we have a cross-Working Group, not only Secretariat and ATLAS II. It will be Secretariat, ATLAS II, Capacity Building and an Academy meeting. It will be a joint meeting for four groups.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Could I just get clarity on that? My understanding is there are two meetings – the first one... And this is what Olivier has said, though I'm happy to change it. The first one, the two-hour one, is ATLAS II and Regional Secretariats' meeting, and then the afternoon one is a one-hour session with all – ATLAS II, Capacity Building, Academy and Regional Secretariats. Did you want that two-hour morning session to also be all of them?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Heidi, it is not my choice. I think we discussed it together and we said we would keep it to only one meeting. But if Olivier wants it to be split it is not a problem.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier, comment if you wish, but my understanding was that Olivier wished to keep that additional one-hour slot in case there was a need for extra time?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I think two hours is great but we will probably need more... There probably is likely to be more need. And I think the first couple of hours to spend with the RALOs and preparing things with the RALOs, and then another additional hour in addition to the previous hour in order to then

deal with the coordination across the different Working Groups specifically is the way forward.

So get the RALOs to put a plan together and then get this coordination to work with the capacity building, with the outreach, with the rest of the coordination team. That was the idea about having it split into two parts. And for them to be split – if I have this correct, Heidi – there is a luncheon between, isn't there?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Actually there are several meetings in-between. Let me just clarify – the first meeting is 11:00 to 13:00, two hours, and that's just with the ATLAS II Organizing Committee and the Regional Secretariats; the RALO leaders and the ATLAS II Organizing Committee. That's at 11:00 to 13:00? Then there's a break and various other meetings, and then at 16:00 to 17:00 there's a joint meeting with the ATLAS II Organizing Committee, the Capacity Building Working Group, the Academy Working Group and the Regional Secretariats again.

Is that correct? Or did you want all four of those groups to also meet two hours... To meet the second hour of the morning session?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

The concern I had is that if all of the groups meet from the morning and then in the afternoon again, we're doing a double thing, and I'm concerned there are too many cooks coming in at the same time. There needs to be a first plan to be sorted out with the RALOs and the

Organizing Committee. And I thought that then a few hours, even when people can do sideline work and work on their own thing to prepare for the next meeting a few hours later for the full meeting with everyone present at that point... Maybe Tijani has a different view, but that's the view that I thought was going to be most productive on the day.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you Olivier. I agree with you but I have another concern Olivier. Since we will be the Regional Leadership and the ATLAS II together, we will speak about the Summit. And one of the most important points for the Summit is to prepare the ALSes, and preparing the ALSes must be done with the Capacity Building Working Group.

So it is all linked together. And perhaps if we invite all the groups to meet from the beginning, if they are done only with one meeting, it will be great. But if that is not the case we can continue in the afternoon.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Olivier please?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you Sylvia. Ultimately, Heidi, are there any physical restrictions as to why we couldn't have everyone in the same room? We'll be using the ALAC room won't we?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah, we will most likely stay in the ALAC room. And again, many of those groups overlap, so it's not going to be too big.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Well, that's exactly the thought I had. The overall size, I think... Many of them overlap and ultimately I don't think... None of our meetings are closed either, so ultimately I think everyone will attend anyway, and I just don't see anyone walking away and saying, "I'll only attend the one in the afternoon." If you're interested in this you're probably going to attend all of it.

So I don't think it matters that much. If you think, Tijani, that it would be better to have everyone there from the first part, fine. What I find important though is that we have two hours, a little break afterwards if there needs to be some people breaking out on the side, and then the hour later on.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: It doesn't matter to be anyway. I'll be there, since I am from the Leadership also. But it's not for me, it's for the whole Working Group. I'd like to see the other Members so that we can start discussing. And it will be a long discussion, because you'll discuss on how to prepare them. So it will be about the substance to be given to them. The way to do the capacity building, is it an opportunity or is it useful to do it further from the Summit or closer to the Summit?

All these things we have to discuss during this meeting, and I think it is crucial.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

Thank you Tijani. I think we need to talk more about that with the Staff in order to try to do what we need to for the best result, for sure. Any comments? Okay, so if we don't have any other business to talk about, I would like to thank everyone for their participation and... Heidi?

HEIDI ULLRICH:

If I can just suggest then that for the Wednesday that we do invite the Capacity Building Working Group and Academy Working Group to that session? We'll maybe just call it Part One, and then the afternoon one, if it's needed for everyone to get back together and discuss things they may have discussed earlier, we'll call that one Part Two. And it will just be like ATLAS II Prep Part One and Two, and we'll invite all the relevant groups. Is that okay?

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE

For me it's okay.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

This is my proposition.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE:

Perfect. Okay, we can do that. Olivier is typing.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Olivier has said yes.

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE Yes, he has. I know. Okay, Tijani yes, Silvia yes. Perfect. Olivier is saying they need to be set up in advance so we do not waste time. Yes, we can do that. Of course. Siranush says yes. Perfect. Everybody is agreeing.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Sylvia, can we make this an AI please? That before the next meeting these groups start developing the Agenda for these two meetings?

SYLVIA HERLEIN-LEITE: Perfect, good idea. Okay, perfect. So thank you all for your participation and I will see you in October, our next meeting before the Buenos Aires meeting. Bye-bye. Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Bye. Thanks all.

[general goodbyes]

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