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Trip Proposal is from which RALO? :: EURALO (European Regional At-Large Organisation)

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For each traveller, specify the City and Country where the travellers is leaving from ::

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- Valentina Pavel: Bucharest (Romania)
- Veronica Cretu: Chisinau (Moldova)

Specify the destination city and country where the travellers are going to :: Berlin, Germany

Event/Conference Name, Title, or Description :: EuroDIG

Event/Conference Website Link :: <http://www.eurodig.org>

Primary Event/Conference Location: :: Berlin, Germany

Please identify the Activity Sponsors :: Hosted by ECO - the Association of the German Internet Industry

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What is the purpose of the trip? :: The purpose is to take an active part in the 7th edition of the Pan-European dialogue on Internet governance (EuroDIG) - an open platform for informal and inclusive discussion and exchange on public policy issues related to Internet Governance (IG) among stakeholders from all over Europe. Together with the Council of Europe, EURALO is the institutional partner of EURODIG, and this is the best place to discuss the whole Internet Governance ecosystem and geopolitics of Internet Governance, enhance the influence of ALSes on the policy making process on national and regional levels, and boost ICANN capacity-building efforts all over Europe, including such countries as Armenia, as the notion of Europe is based on the countries - members States of the Council of Europe.

Since 2012, ICANN is a regular sponsor of EuroDIG and had a high-level representation in Lisbon 2013 (3 Board members, President and CEO Fadi Chehade and VP Europe). Furthermore, EuroDIG will be part of ICANN's regional strategy over the next years.

What are the goals for the trip :: EuroDIG is the best place for promoting multistakeholder models of ICANN in Europe, discussing its role in Internet Governance both with representatives of EU and Central and Eastern Europe, and members of the Council of Europe, including Caucasus. Such discussions contribute to a broader awareness around Internet Governance related issues, especially in the year crucial for shaping the future governance model/s for the Internet, extremely important for all key stakeholders globally and in Europe in particular. Participation of representatives from countries such as Ukraine, Moldova, Armenia, often absent from these discussions, is crucial for the success of round-table meetings on different views, challenges and perspectives from all parts of big Europe.

One of the regional and strategic shortcomings is the lack of stakeholder involvement in Eastern European (still) transition countries - on all levels: government, business sector and civil society. EuroDIG offers one of the few annual opportunities when more and more representatives from Eastern countries can be included in the IG debate and thus promoting the MS model in countries where traditionally governments only have a say. Capacity building for civil society and At-Large structures (ALSes) in those countries is therefore a key challenge - not only for the ICANN community.

Please identify proposed outcomes: :: Participation of the respective delegates will focus on a number of aspects:

a) Sharing of the best practices of ALSes from Eastern Europe - in a number of emerging areas, among which:

- Open Government related initiatives and citizen engagement in decision-making processes, and the role Internet plays in openness, transparency and social accountability, Governance surveillance and Open Government initiatives, etc.
- Inclusion of people with disabilities and vulnerable people in general,
- Media education,

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- Russian-speaking Club of Experts on Internet Governance

b) Engaging in constructive dialogues around Internet Governance related policy frameworks in EU, and ways this is affecting non-EU member countries (how should national policies on IG be shaped, etc.).

Note: ICANN/EURALO contributions will be delivered to the national media and social networks in Russian, Armenian, Ukrainian and Romanian languages.

Any other information about the proposed trip that would be useful to the CROPP Review Team or for ICANN :: It is important to underline that Armenia, identified as a part of APRALO at At-Large and according to ICANN's geographic model, is a full member State of the Council of Europe, co-initiator of EuroDIG and the European continent's leading human rights organization. Excluding Armenian representatives from EuroDIG debates will lead to excluding them from the decision-making processes in the field of Internet Governance in Europe. Their non-participation in such events (EuroDIG) will prevent their voice from being taken into account in the preparation process of the Outreach Strategy for Europe, in which the Council of Europe plays an important role, Armenia being the full member of the Council of Europe since January 2001.

By checking the box below, RALO leaders and Outreach members from the region have read and understood the terms and obligations for the At-Large Travel requests at <https://community.icann.org/x/zC6fAg> :: I have read and understood the terms and obligations at <https://community.icann.org/x/zC6fAg>

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