

WOLF LUDWIG: Let me suggest we start this last call of the year. I'm aware that it's usually a difficult moment in December, which is usually crowded by a lot of other events, so people may have other priorities. Joining our call, I think Siranush just joined the call, and Yuliya as well. Okay, welcome to this last EURALO monthly call of the year. I'll give it over to Julia for the usual roll call.

JULIA CHARVOLEN: Thank you Wolf. On today's call we have Wolf Ludwig, Narine Khachatryan, Oksana Prykhodko, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Greta Jeske, Sandra Hoferichter, Yuliya Morenets and Siranush Vardanyan. We have apologies from Christopher Wilkinson, Jordi Iparraguirre and Bill Drake. From Staff we have Silvia Vivanco and myself, Julia Charvolen. Heidi Ullrich will be joining us a little later.

May I please remind all participants to please state your names before speaking for transcript purposes. Thank you and over to you, Wolf.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thank you Julia for this roll call and apologies. Let's continue with the next standing issue, which is the review of Action Items, which are the Action Items from, to my memory, the Board call, because it mostly regards a Board issue and chairing for each call, as we agreed at the last Board call we had in October.

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Otherwise there is only a mentioning to send the candidates to the BMSPC and BCEC, via email to ALAC staff by the 18th of October. This was accomplished from my side as well, and I cannot recall any other urgencies or Action Items from the October call.

If there is no question from your side, let me continue on our Agenda with #3, which is briefing on current ALAC consultations and initiatives. [Review? 03:07] for public comment and it's usually Olivier's part. Please, Olivier, you have the floor.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. Can you hear me?

WOLF LUDWIG: Speak up a little bit.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: How's that?

WOLF LUDWIG: A little bit better.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you. I can't speak much louder otherwise my neighbors are going to complain. So, we've got quite a few public comments that have come out recently. In order for us to save time I will just look at the

ones that are currently being developed or voted on by the ALAC. The first one is the ccNSO FOI Working Group Interim Report on Revocation, and that is the Working Group which looks at the revocation of the ccTLDs when that TLD was misbehaving or not being run properly.

The Working Group came out with a set of recommendations and the ALAC has a statement, which actually is all drafted and has been commented on, and the vote will start in a couple of days. I think it's a very good statement, so I do have to thank Rinalia for drafting this. The next one is the proposed bylaw changes regarding the Technical Liaison Group.

The proposals are from the ICANN Board, that they would effectively remove the Technical Liaison from the Technical Liaison Group on the Board. It's a position that gets changed every year and rotated out of four different organizations, and they've found that there's been very ill-advice going through this, because if every year there's someone new it's very difficult for them to make themselves understood and actually understand what the Board is doing, etc.

So the proposals are to replace this by actually having an active Technical Liaison Group, in itself, which would be composed of, I believe six members. The advice from the ALAC is that the ALAC is okay with removing the Technical Liaison position on the Board, as long as something gets done about the group. So really effectively starting with getting that group to work and to be effective, then at that point the Technical Liaison could be taken out of the Board.

There is a concern though about the position of the Technical Liaison on the Nominating Committee. There's one person from that group on the NomCom and the proposal is to remove that post as well. The concern is that the NomCom has a significant outreach component to it and therefore it would be unwise to reduce the outreach that is currently taking place.

Now, there are some statements that are currently under development. The first one is the protection of the international government organization and international non-governmental organization identifiers, in all of the generic TLDs. It's a recommendation from a policy development process. Alan Greenberg and Evan Leibovitch have been asked to supply a first draft of that. They haven't supplied one yet on the Wiki. I understand it's coming soon, hopefully.

For those of you who are interested in this, I do suggest that you might wish to read the final report of the IGO/INGO PDP Working Group. It's a long report and it was a very hot topic a few months ago. Next, the At-Large study on the WHOIS misuse. There has been a report drafted by consultants by – it's a study actually by [inaudible 07:36] University. They examined the extent to which the public WHOIS contact information for gTLD domain names is misused.

What we're talking about are [inaudible 07:50] such as phishing and identity theft, spam and so on, in order to basically make a website look as if it's from another organization than the real organization. The report findings were actually showing some quite strong offence that there is a significant amount of misuse, so it's interesting to see the

actual report finally. The question that's being asked is, "What does the ALAC think about it?" and there are several different parts to it.

There's the WHOIS Misuse Study Draft Report, and then there's some additional information like the Terms of Reference and there's also a staff update on the WHOIS study. There's emotion in the gNSO to pursue this study and go further. At the moment, Holly Raiche and Carlton Samuels, who are Co-Chairs of the At-Large Registration Issues Working Group, the linking of the Registrant Rights Working Group and the WHOIS Working Group.

Those two groups have been merged together. The two Chairs are looking at drafting a short statement, which I believe will support the work to continue. The next one is the proposal for certification for [tools? 09:33] of the ICANN Registry Agreement to contractually reflect certain limited aspects of [.grant? 09:40] new gTLDs. We were talking there about the .bmw and .ibm and I gather .apple, to a certain extent, if that's considered as a brand.

There hasn't been anyone so far ear-marked to be supplying a first draft. If anyone is interested in these issues – and I guess this would probably require trademark lawyers or someone who has knowledge about these brands – it would be very good for someone to step forward. So if anybody's listening to this, this position is up for grabs at the moment.

The closing date is in January, which means there would need to be some work done between now and the 9th of January. The comment closing date... There's no "reply" date, there's just the comment open

and comment closed date. There's also an ICANN draft vision mission and focus areas for a five-year strategic plan. This is of course to do with the strategic development.

The Finance and Budget Sub-Committee should be asked about this, since it works specifically on strategy and the finance and so on. So if you are part of the FBSC please read through this, because the question will soon come to your doorstep on this. We do have a bit of time to respond, since the response needs to be given by the end of January, although the initial comment closing date... Oh, I don't see a comment and reply date. Okay. Well, the 31st of January is the end for this.

I'm looking at the actual overall policy development page, which is simply from your Agenda – the policy advice development page. If you are interested in any of these, then please [inaudible 11:43] open to answering any questions.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks Olivier for this. There were several remarks about the transmission quality of your line. I've seen there was a question from Yuliya. I think it was, if I'm not wrong, related to your sub-point on WHOIS. Yuliya was asking about the spam and security study; whether you mentioned anything on this? I do not know.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you Wolf. Yes, that's the WHOIS study, the Study on WHOIS Abuse. It's very interesting. WHOIS Misuse. It's linked from the WHOIS

working sheet and I was very interested by the study and I'm sure many of us are, since I guess many of us have received spam. I guess in fact all of us have received spam, and many of us have also had to deal with trying to find out where that spam comes from and maybe even trying to complain about it.

So this report is very interesting reading and I hope that the ALAC will be able to provide strong report. Of course, if we provide strong support and show that many of us have read the report, that's a double thing for showing strong support.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay, thanks a lot for these additional explanations, Olivier. The next one is Yrjo, who's raised his hand. Yrjo, you have the floor please.

YRJO LANSIPURO: Thank you Wolf. I would just like to echo the concerns that Olivier referred to, concerning the representation of the Technical Liaison Group on the NomCom. To my experience, the representatives of the Technical Liaison Group have been not only variable in the outreach, but also in the deliberations for the NomCom. Whatever else happens, that should continue. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thanks a lot Yrjo for this additional comment. I have a question regarding protection of IGO and INGO identifiers in all gTLD

recommendation for Board considerations. I've heard from GAC people that the GAC recommended to block several thousands of so-called "[aplic? 15:13]" names, and not having them being considered for the New gTLD Program. Is there any further news on this? What will be the ALAC point of view in this respect? I really believe that seems to be far too accelerated. Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, can you ask the question again? I couldn't hear you very well.

WOLF LUDWIG: Yes, I'll try to speak up. Obviously my line sounds to be rather bad as well. I was referring to the protection of IGO and INGO identifiers, and the GAC position to block several thousands of so-called community or public interest-related names, which seem to be far too accelerated.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much Wolf. The whole discussion between the GAC and the ICANN Board started out with the issue of the Red Cross and the International Olympic Committee. I think this started about a couple of years ago, and really there was some disagreement. Basically the Red Cross and the IOC asked for their names to not be registerable by anyone, saying that there was a significant amount of fraud that would be committed.

Then this has all led to a wider discussion about international non-governmental organizations and international government organizations and the question as to whether the names and the acronyms for these organizations should be put on some kind of blacklist, so no one could register them. The discussion has been very dark, because where do you stop at that point?

Exactly as you said, Wolf, you end up with thousands of acronyms, some of which are used by those INGOs or IGOs, but some of which are also used by companies and people for their own business, and with absolutely no reference to the INGO or the IGO. So it does seem to be a bit of a very large stretch to go as far as allowing for the [inaudible 18:19] of acronyms, especially when these are not actually registered under any kind of trademark or system.

You do end up in some situations where you might have some organization that has a trademark on an acronym, and an IGO or INGO that doesn't, but which wants this to be blocked out. It's a very complex situation. I really would say, read the report and the Working Groups findings. They've worked for over a year on this. The gNSO has been discussing this back and forth and it's very interesting reading. I hope that you can come up with your own points of view on these things.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks a lot Olivier for this additional explanation. I guess this may also be a point, if ALAC is seriously considering drafting a statement on this issue. Are there any further questions regarding our Agenda Item #3

from your side? Questions or comments? I see no hands raised. If this is not the case, let me suggest we continue on to #4. Thanks a lot Olivier for your usual brief introduction into these complex subjects.

The next one is an update on the last ICANN 48 meeting in Buenos Aires and relevant related issues. By “relevant related issues” I mean there is much to report from the last ICANN meeting in Buenos Aires. Half of the call participants here had the chance to attend this meeting physically. There were a lot of interesting ongoing discussions on next steps with the New gTLD Program.

There was also a key issue on the agenda – this was the Brazil initiative and ICANN’s role in this context; to have a high-level international conference next spring, probably in April in Brazil. There have been several meetings convened on this issue, for different constituencies. There was a lot of open and controversial discussion on this. Does anyone from your side, from those who didn’t attend the Buenos Aires meeting, have particular questions regarding the Buenos Aires meeting?

Otherwise there was a link posted on today’s Agenda, and if you go to this Buenos Aires, ALAC and At-Large Action Items from 17th-21st November workspace, you can find some more material on this. If there are no questions from your side, let me continue with Agenda Item #5 – the briefing on the CROPP. CROPP is a new initiative, which is related to... It’s a pilot project related to some new funding possibilities, opportunities.

Perhaps we can get something on the screen? I think that Yuliya is uploading a paper or reference on this, but I will give the floor to Olivier again, to shortly introduce, explain, what CROPP means in detail. Olivier, you have the floor.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Olivier is still being dialed out to, but if I could just mention a little bit about that?

WOLF LUDWIG: Heidi, welcome. Go ahead.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. CROPP stands for Community Regional Outreach Pilot Project. It's a new initiative for this fiscal year. What this means is that all five RALOs, including EURALO, will get five regional trips apiece. These are based on three days and two nights to a conference in your region. All travel needs to finish by June 30th 2014. There is an ALAC Sub-Committee or Task Force on the CROPP.

Two members from each of the RALOs are on that; one representing the FBSC and the other representing the Outreach Sub-Committee. This CROPP Task Force will be looking at the requests that come in from the RALOs, then once approved they will pass it onto the CROPP staff support, and then they'll go through their process internally on that.

It's normally a six to eight week process for the whole process to go through, to be completed. We really would recommend that you start looking at conferences in the EURALO region that are about eight weeks away, or longer, but again, no longer than the end of June 2014. Think about whether you'd like to participate in this, and then apply for them. Let's see if Olivier's back on yet.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Yes, he's back on the call. I've seen him in the chat. Welcome back Olivier. Olivier, Heidi was just briefly outlining, summarizing, what is new about the CROPP. You have the floor as well. Go ahead.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thank you very much Wolf. There were two things I wanted to touch on. The first one is to do with the actual CROPP Committee. I don't know whether Heidi has mentioned this, but the CROPP Review Team itself needs to have one more person, I believe, from EURALO. The link which is in the Agenda is the wrong link, because that goes through to the big CROPP thing, which is only what the overall...

Effectively, I think that Heidi has provided some information on it, but the thing is, it's the RALOs and their CROPP representative that will present a request to the Review Team, and the Review Team will then file those requests over with the overall ICANN CROPP. There is one member of the CROPP that is missing from EURALO at the moment, so it would be good if you could find someone to take up that position there.

That's the first thing. The other fact is that this is a pilot program. It's meant to run from now all the way until June 30th 2014. Because it's a pilot, what will happen afterwards is that ICANN staff will work with the community to find out if this has been effective and worked well. Then if everything is fine, it will therefore be able to continue this CROPP into the next year and that will then run for a full year.

This time around, being a pilot and the fact that it has just started now, and also the fact that it takes about eight to nine weeks to effectively do the whole review and process, it would take two weeks for the CROPP Review Team to process, plus another six weeks for ICANN to process.

This effectively means that if you submit something today, it will not be possible to submit for a travel in January, because that's way beyond the eight weeks, plus that fact that ICANN does take a one-week holiday, and they well deserve it, between Christmas and New Year.

So the earliest travel request would be for about mid-February. So I urge EURALO to have a look if there are any events that might be worth going to from mid-February onwards, all the way up to the 30th of June.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thanks Olivier.

HEIDI ULLRICH: The briefing sessions that's taking place, which is either this Friday or this coming Monday, is really for all of the RALO and ALSes to find out

more about how to apply. Dev is the Chair of this Review Team on the CROPP and he, in collaboration with Olivier and the group, has developed an online application form. I believe that this briefing session is going to review that, so if you are interested in applying, I urge you to attend this briefing session. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay, thanks Heidi for this additional information. As I see it now, there are two points to be settled today. We need a second regional representative for the CROPP. There are two listed from our side already, but I think it's Roberto who announced that due to many other obligations he faces already, he would like to step down. Therefore a second representative from our side would be needed. Then regarding the procedure we have to really reflect tonight what would be a potential opportunity.

In my opinion, EURODIG would be such an event that you could ask for community representatives to be funded to attend EURODIG. In an earlier CROPP call I raised the question that we could even try to get somebody from our Armenian friends into it. I think that would be worth a trial because they have been regular participants; Nareen and Siranush, in our community, for a long time.

Let's reflect what else could be other relevant events to submit, as you can have five applications. It's probably me who will submit these applications, therefore I cannot be part of the Review Team, to avoid any conflict of interest. Olivier's raised his hand. Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: The position is a bit difficult for two reasons – for one, the CROPP Review Team is made up only of people of the Outreach Working Group and of the FBSC, so at the moment, Yuliya Morenets is holding the seat for the Outreach and Roberto was holding the seat for the FBSC. But as you said, Roberto is not able to do this. He’s already Chairing the BCEC, which means he’ll be faced with a serious amount of work at the same time as the CROPP is going to have work. I totally respect his choice.

Looking at this, it would mean we’d have to have someone from the ALAC Sub-Committee on Finance and Budget, and looking at the actual members of the Sub-Committee, we have two people from EURALO that are officially on it, and that’s myself and Wolf Ludwig. So we probably would also need to have an additional person on the FBSC. I think it makes sense to have more than just two people. I know staff is sending out some requests for more volunteers for that.

It’s important, because without the funding we’re not able to do anything. So you probably might wish to send out a call for someone to be able to hold onto these two positions. As far as the work is concerned, if any of you on the call are concerned, it’s not a huge amount of work – it’s sporadic. There are times when we will need to do some work into reviewing... Well, first for the CROPP, but also reviewing all the RALO requests.

But then there are also extended amounts of times – and I think we’re talking about months – when absolutely nothing is happening in the

world of the FBSC. So this is something which I hope somebody will be able to take on.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay, thanks Olivier. I can just underline any words from your appeal, that it in general would be good to have more members from our region in the FBSC, not only Olivier and me, but having somebody else... Okay, there is also Roberto, but Roberto is very busy, therefore generally we would need another regional representative in this group. Then we could nominate this person to also be part of the CROPP Review Team, which would be very important and a priority point at the moment.

Is there anybody on the call who would like to step up immediately and put up their hand for participating? Otherwise, you can also send me a direct message after the call. Otherwise, I need to send a reminder or appeal to the list, but that's usually not very effective when I send it to the list. Olivier, you have the floor again.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

I was going to suggest that staff sends an appeal for additional members of the FBSC, and at the same time for that person to also hold the position on the CROPP. If you want, I'm entirely willing to follow up and emphasize how important it is for us to be able to have this. I often hear complaints about not being funded to do activities, and it's those very people who complain about it who don't actually spend any time working to obtain the funding for those activities.

So it would be good if we got more people to be able to obtain the funding, and once we've got that and we get the funding, then of course we can send more people to EURODIG, etc., or whatever requests might be coming through.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay, this is again some sort of vicious circle. May I ask staff to add this under the Action Items for tonight's call? As Olivier suggested, staff will send out a reminder to the EURALO list asking for an additional member A) for the FBSC and such, and to become at the same time a member of the CROPP Review Team, which is a temporary issue. There will be some work involved.

I agree with Olivier that it won't be a lot of work, but the applications from each region; there will be five per region, at the maximum. There may be five from EURALO, and having a look on this to discuss with this Review Team how the applications should be dealt with. As I've mentioned before, I think if there's approval from your side, I'd like to make a suggestion in this direction – that one of the five events we could ask for funding for, EURODIG in June in Berlin.

That should be considered as one of the major regional events, where it would be good to have some more regional representatives, especially from Eastern Europe. There is also Oksana who falls into this category, and if there is any other event that comes to your mind, in our region, in early 2014, not too early as we've heard, as they need about eight weeks to decide.

If we submit some applications for the region considering the eight weeks, the event cannot be earlier than the end of March, but anything in-between the end of March and June, please let me know if you have any ideas, and what there could be besides EURODIG as a European event that we could ask to send people to.

Are there any other questions, comments, from your side, regarding this Agenda item #5 on CROPP issues, potential events? [Strudenchrist? 39:55] will be later. I do not know whether the date is already fixed for this. We've asked for this before and it was never approved, but if it would fit into the timeline, it could be that EURODIG next regional opportunity to suggest members to be sent. I see Sandra. Let me check. You can communicate this later via the list.

If there is no further question or comment on this... It's the end of August, as I see; the 28th-29th of August in Sofia. It could be a very interesting meeting but I guess this may be too late for the timeline for the pilot project. Yes. Heidi is just confirming my assumption that [Strudenchrist? 41:19] would unfortunately be too late.

Let me continue with Agenda Item #6 – ATLAS II event planning, including survey results. I think we can make this rather brief. If you are all there, there will be the next usual Summit called ATLAS II, in June, in London, in line with the next ICANN regional meeting in Europe. There has been several Sub-Working Groups for ATLAS, having been formed some time ago.

One of the first Sub-Working Groups that put up its work was the Survey Working Group. They drafted a questionnaire for a survey in July, in my memory. This was discussed in the Survey Group and then it was finally modified and accomplished; translated into various other languages, and it was circulated in autumn. Most of our community, almost 90%, participated in the survey, and therefore qualified for participation next June in London.

The results of the survey were rather difficult for interpretation. It was a Big Pulse survey and we had almost 100 pages with all sub-points and which person preferred what, but we didn't unfortunately get a good analysis and short overview about the most important point of the result. This has now been accomplished.

This summary of sematic priorities was sent to the ATLAS II Groups, and now the Event Planning Group, Chaired by Tijani, based on the survey outcomes can now continue on the discussion and planning for the London ATLAS II Agenda. This is, I think, a summary about the most important issues. I'd just like to repeat that the next ATLAS will take place in our region – on our front door, in London.

Therefore I think that it's important that as many of our members as possible will get involved in the planning to make this a successful project. Again, to my memory there are quite a number of EURALO members who have subscribed to the different ATLAS II Sub-Groups already, and I count on your continued support in this direction. There will be a lot of work waiting for us, starting early 2014.

Any questions from your side regarding ATLAS II? Heidi has provided some more references; some more links in the chat below. Please have a look at them. If there are no questions or comments from your side, let me continue with the next Agenda Item, which is a brief report on the ICANN Academy Pilot in Buenos Aires, which is now a part for Sandra.

Before Sandra starts speaking I would just like to forward all my congratulations to her, because it was a very successful pilot event and a lot of people I have spoken with are highly interested in this initiative. Sandra, you have the floor please.

SANDRA HOFERICHTER:

Thank you Wolf. Now, I can keep it brief. Thank you for the congratulations Wolf. It was indeed a great success, and of course not my success but the success of the Working Group, which organized this Academy Pilot Project for more than three years from now. The Pilot Leadership Program – and we should be very clear on this; it should not be called “ICANN Academy”, because ICANN Academy is a broader project which includes much more than the Leadership Program.

For this one we worked on one module of the Future ICANN Academy, which was a face-to-face program for incoming or current leaders in ICANN. It consists of three parts. There was an online learning part, where we introduced the online learning platform for the first time. We had a facilitation skills planning part, where an external teachers facilitated a session in that manner.

We had an orientation course, which was the content part and which was under the responsibility of the ICANN Academy Working Group, and we had a [four-part? 47:59] session, which was in line with the Working Group meeting in Buenos Aires. Overall we had a very good participation. We had 23 people from all ACs and stakeholder groups, including staff.

The only ones [where everything? 48:22] ASO and the [inaudible 48:24], but I'm sure we will get them on board in future. I think there were some concerns about the facilitation skills training. I heard people say, "Okay, I don't have to learn how to [say? 48:39] with other people." Participants were quite impressed by this part of the program, and I'm very happy that we could combine the orientation course, the online learning platform and the facilitation skills training as a sort of packet.

The facilitation part turned out to be the ice-breaking exercise for participants, and you may or may not remember that the first proposal for this Leadership Training Program was always intended to be off-site the venue of ICANN, in order to prevent it being another extended ICANN meeting. So the idea was always to cheer it up a little bit, and due to the budget constraints and other things, we had to stick to the venue.

It would have been just an extended ICANN meeting, if the facilitation skills training hadn't happened, and this was the good part. It was really a great exercise and we laughed a lot, and then it was very easy to go into two days of heavy content discussion on ICANN's current [future? 49:57] issues. To keep it short, we decided... The [inaudible 50:02]

session turned out that we decided to merge the facilitation skills part and the online and the orientation course part into one curriculum.

We will start working on this curriculum at the beginning of next year. We will discuss this new curriculum in Singapore, and we will hopefully agree about it by Singapore. Then we will start reaching out to all SOs and ACs, earlier than this year – in London – to give people more time to prepare for their travel and to arrange their schedules, and so on and so forth.

So overall I'm very happy about how this project went. We received a lot of congratulations and a lot of encouraging words, to keep this program running. I will figure out with ICANN staff – Heidi especially – how we can ensure at a very early stage that the piloting of this program is going to be continued, so that we can go on with the planning. I'm rather confident that this will become a constant part of the ICANN community.

Now that we have very delighted participants, I'm also sure that it will be an easy task to get new and more participants for the next training course, which is not [inaudible 51:36]. I'm open to answer questions by either email or here in this call. Over to you Wolf. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks a lot Sandra for this briefing of what was a very exciting initiative. I think with certain justification we can say this was a long lasting effort, which was somewhat initiated by our region. It was initiated when

Sandra came in and was selected for At-Large in Autumn 2010, and she presented the project for the first time at the ICANN Cartagena meeting, etc.

Then after the first introduction and encouragement, the project matured over 2011, and there was a lot of patience and investment. Even if I agree with Sandra's conclusion that success in most cases is community-based, but it was also due to Sandra's leadership qualities and expertise in this direction, that it could finally be being brought to a good end.

I think whatever it's called in future, we will again hear about such development into the right direction in the future. General questions or comments from your side? Let me suggest we continue with the last Agenda Items, #8 – 2014 challenges for the region. I do not believe that my listing may be complete, and it's far away from being accomplished. It's just two points that came to my mind, which could be the priorities.

It's not me who will set the priorities for EURALO, it's the community, but I think the Board candidate selection and voting consultation and procedure will keep us very busy in the first part of next year. With the EURODIG planning as well, it's a short memory call for proposals. The EURODIG in Berlin was opened after the IGF at the end of October in Bali.

The call for proposals is still continuing and it will close by the end of the year, in about two weeks. So everybody from our community is strongly invited and encouraged to submit a proposal for the Berlin EURODIG,

because it's the community who's setting the themes and topics for the next Berlin Agenda of EURODIG.

Therefore please have a look on the EURODIG website. There is an online form there where you can submit ideas. We're not asking for session proposals, we're just asking for good ideas for topics, etc., and all EURALO members are of course invited to participate in this. Then of course there's the ATLAS II in London, which we discussed before.

There will also be the next EURALO GA face-to-face in London, which needs to be prepared by ourselves. So there's a lot of work waiting for us in the near future. Any questions or comments from your side? I see no hands raised for this. While this will be a standing issue, we're starting from January again that the 2014 planning must start in January and the following month. So we'll come back again to this issue shortly after the seasonal break.

If there are no comments or questions regarding Agenda Item #8, from your side are there any more... Let me ask whether there's anything for #9 – any other business? The only point that comes to my mind is you may recall there was a mailing sent by the ICANN office for a briefing in Brussels on the 18th of December. I've told the Brussels office already that we will try to have a representative from our community, which has been confirmed as being Rudi, who has registered for this event already.

If there is anything you want to suggest to Rudi, as our representative there, to ask there or submit there, please get in touch with Rudi, either via the list or via anything else – direct mail, etc., to let him know what

you want to be raised there. I have a problem with Adobe Connect now. I'm closed down. I think it was a reminder that the time is over. We are two minutes behind the time.

Let me thank all of you for your participation in this call. I know it's a little bit early but I think I will take this opportunity to wish all of you some pleasant and calm seasonal holidays. Enjoy the time with your families. Thanks a lot to everybody. Goodbye.

[Goodbyes]

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