
TERRI AGNEW: Good morning, good afternoon and good evening, and welcome to the At-Large Summit II Events Sub-Group call on Monday, 5th May 2014 at 19:00 UTC. On the call today we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Sylvia Herlein, Wolf Ludwig, Roberto Gaetano, Pastor Peters, Evan Leibovitch, Eduardo Diaz, Matthieu Camus, Avri Doria and Gunela Astbrink. We have no apologies today. From staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Carlos Reyes, Ariel Liang, Silvia Vivanco, Susie Johnson, Gisela Gruber and myself, Terri Agnew.

I'd like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much and back over to you, Wolf.

WOLF LUDWIG: Sorry, I have one more apology in mind, which is Tijani.

TERRI AGNEW: I'll get Tijani added.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Replace Eduardo with Tijani. Thanks for this. You have seen the Agenda for tonight's call, which was drafted by Tijani, but he's traveling and had to apologize for this call. I would like to start with an introduction or résumé by Olivier Crépin-Leblond, who just raised his hand. Olivier, you have the floor. I think it was a transfer, of sorts.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Wolf. It was actually to ask for the Agenda to be un-synched. Again, someone made the magic happen, so that's happened as well. Welcome everyone. Effectively, the review of the Summit program schedule, I've just discovered myself as well, that's just at the moment on the Program Committee's table, as we've got it now. The overall agenda is usually on the Wiki page, so I'd ask that once we've finalized the program agenda we put that on the Wiki page. I've had a lot of people asking me now about the program agenda itself.

So, Wolf, I'm not sure how you want to do this. Should we just go through it day by day? Or how...?

WOLF LUDWIG: I would suggest you give an overview.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, fantastic. Of course we start on the Saturday, 21st of June, starting early. We'll have the usual introductions, setting the scene, all of the boring speeches and stuff at the beginning, with just a good introduction by the ATLAS II Chair, and basically letting all the participants know of the different housekeeping rules, the room assignments, etcetera – anything that needs to be taught to the participants at the beginning of the day, in this exciting week we'll have together.

After the coffee break we'll start with the first plenary. That's going to be an update on the current worldwide discussion about the future of Internet governance and multistakeholder processes. I think that will resound very well with our participants, with the Brazil and Net Mundial

meeting that has just finished, with the Montevideo declaration that has been published, the One Net initiative... There are a lot of things going on in the wider Internet governance space, and the great majority of our ALSes will possibly feel interested in this.

Then we'll have a lunch break from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. That will be a lunch that's not sponsored at the moment, although we are perhaps looking to have a small – I think there will be a subset of the people that will be going to the lunch – number of people being able to have a lunch; sandwiches or something like this. That's something to work out. We have not got a sponsor yet for the lunch. Now, from 13:00 until 15:00 we will have the orientation meeting of that ATLAS II At-Large mentoring program.

That again will be all in the plenary that we'll have. All of the sessions I've just mentioned so far all include interpretation. Then we've got the breakout parallel sessions from 15:00 until 18:00, and those ones will be quite busy. I note that there is no coffee break in the afternoon. We might wish to do something; just a quick break between the orientation meeting and the breakout parallel sessions. For that we'll have five rooms. One room will have interpretation in English and French, and the other room will have interpretation between English and Spanish.

The other three rooms will not have interpretation. We have to make sure the Working Groups themselves are aware of the lack of interpretation, that there isn't any. The working room assignment is going to be done directly from... It's going to be worked out directly from the participants that we're going to have in the Working Groups themselves. That's why we will not be able to announce the Working

Group locations immediately, but obviously by the time we know how the Working Groups are built we'll be able to allocate the rooms.

It's hoped that we have an even number of people in each one of the Working Groups, bearing in mind that the three rooms that won't have interpretation are rather small, so 50 people is a big, big maximum we could fit in there. We might have to see if we have a smaller group working on something, then maybe the assignment in those rooms will be better. Then the plenary, going back to the big room, the plenary session with the briefing of the day, basically the summary of all of the work that's been done on the day.

The evening itself, from 19:00 until 21:00, or later I think, we've got the ATLAS II dinner, which is being sponsored by Afiliias. They are going to take us offsite to a pub just down the road. A shuttle will have to be organized, and it's going to be a very interesting evening I think, for everyone. So that's the first day. A full day. Then of course there's a short night and the next morning, on the Sunday, again we start with the breakout parallel sessions; the five different breakouts.

The whole day is structured around the breakout parallel sessions, all the way up to 17:00 where there will be an hour and a half to brief everyone about the group sessions. I guess these are the conclusions and summarizing what's been discussed in each of the Working Groups and where we go from there. You have to remember that each one of those Working Groups is going to be drafting a statement that will then be put together with the other statements of the other Working Groups, and that will be sent to the Board as a large report and statement from the ALAC.

So all of this has a purpose, and I really look forward to seeing the input that we'll get from our ALSes on this. Any questions so far? I see no one putting their hand up, so let's continue. On Monday we've got a [dinner 00:08:18] with the ICANN schedule. We'll start with the opening ceremony, which is going to be ICANN-wide, with everyone involved. At 10:00 there is a coffee break. From 10:30 until 12:30 there is a multistakeholder roundtable. That will run in parallel with the follow up from the opening ceremony.

At the moment it's still not sure whether the follow up to the opening ceremony in the main room will involve the governments sitting down for their high-level meeting, which is going to take place in London, or whether this will be followed by a session that Fadi Chehadé will be handling. It's very likely that will be dealing with the issue of the NTIA announcement, but also probably issues of accountability and transparency in ICANN, the implementation of the ATRT 2 and ATRT 1 recommendations that remain to be implemented.

That takes places in parallel with our multistakeholder roundtable. We might lose some people, because some people might wish to remain in the main hall, but from now on and for the rest of the week, we might lose people anyway, because of the vast variety of things on offer. Now, after that there is the lunch break from 12:30 until 14:30. There's one thing I did miss. On the Sunday I have forgotten the fact that from 13:00 until 15:00 we have a lunch sponsored by PIR, the Public Interest Registry; ones who are going to launch .ngo and are currently in charge of .org.

We had a call earlier today and they've now committed to sponsor our lunch. That will take place at the Hilton Paddington Hotel. That's just down the road actually, a ten-minute walk. That will get people to get a bit of fresh air outside, and we'll be able to be in slightly different surroundings for the lunch. That's two hours and it's plenty of time for people to walk down and back. That's the sponsored lunch on the Sunday. On the Monday there is no sponsored lunch, because as you'll notice it's a short lunch break and so we'll all be able to savor the local delicacies that are around and in the hotel.

Now, Monday afternoon, 14:30 to 17:30 we have the regular ALAC and regional leadership working sessions. That takes place in the ALAC room, and that's a rather small room, so if we're all sitting down we'll not be able to fit the 160 people in the room, but I guess they'll also be working elsewhere and attending some of the other sessions out there. Then from 18:30 until 20:30 we have the At-Large Fayre in the ALAC room. There will be interpretation provided.

We're still trying to work out whether we can try and find a slightly larger room than this, because there is concern as to the number of people that will be able to fit in that room. That still remains to be seen, and we'll get feedback soon. I'm really hoping that we can, because otherwise we'll be quite crunched together. For the At-Large Fayre we still need a keynote speaker, but we're working on that as well.

Next, Tuesday. Tuesday starts with the SO and AC Chairs addressing the ATLAS II participants. That's a busy day. I'm just about to send the details to the SO and AC Chairs; the Chair of the gNSO, ccNSO, SSAC, RSAC, and the GAC as well, and the ASO. I'm hoping they're free either

on the Tuesday or the Wednesday morning. What I'll do is send them a Doodle to find out who's free when, and see how we can share them between the two.

These sessions will really not be a speech by those SO and AC Chairs, but much more of an interaction of the Chairs as to what challenges they're faced with, etcetera. I guess we still have to think of the format on how this will run, but keeping it as open as possible is probably the best way to do this. Then, at 8:30 the Board is meeting with At-Large. That's when the At-Large AC go over to the main room, which has the Board in it, who spend the whole day in that room. We'll have a one-hour meeting with them. Then at 10:00 there's a coffee break.

The Board with At-Large meeting sometimes runs over a little bit, so it's good that we have a coffee break for half an hour. Then ALAC might be – this is to be confirmed – meeting with the GAC from 10:30 until 11:30. That's going to be in the GAC room, so we're traveling to the next room along. Then GAC has asked for questions for the agenda, so we'll need to work this out pretty soon as well. Then there's the lunch break, and in the afternoon the NARALO GA takes place at 12:30. At the same time, the EURALO GA takes place. That's in another room.

Then when those two GAs finish the ALAC policy discussion part. One takes place back in the ALAC room. Then we'll have a coffee break, and then ALAC policy discussion part two, also in the ALAC room. After that we'll have an ALAC and At-Large cocktail with the ccNSO. Now, that's still to be confirmed as well. That's at 19:00 to 20:00. After that there appears to be an ATLAS II cocktail with the Board at 20:30. So that's two cocktails in one evening. That will be rather pleasant. When we reach

the Board we'll be in a rather jolly mood, but that's to be confirmed as well. Let's see what we get.

As you can see, it's a very short day, from 7:30 to 20:30. I see a couple of people putting their hands up. No, just one person up and down. Evan? You have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Thanks Olivier. I'm just repeating something that I said in the chat. I received a request from the leadership of NPOC, which is the Non-Profit Organization Constituency of gNSO, that it would like to forge some common cause with those ALSes that themselves happen to be non-profit organizations. They've asked me, knowing I'm not the right person for this, if there is any appropriate time on Tuesday.

Although it's not an official part of the Summit, I'm wondering if between 9:30 and 10:30, over the coffee break, there would be a reasonable time to get back to them as being something where they can slot some kind of joint meeting with those ALSes that would like to talk to the NPOC? Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much Evan. Thanks for pointing this out. We'll have to note this.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Can I leave it to anybody that's interested to get back to Klaus, of the NPOC, regarding the timing of this? I can continue to be a go-between but I'd rather have the organizers talk directly to NPOC.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. You are one of the organizers.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. Sorry, I'm not at 100%.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: This is the Organizing Committee call, so it sounds like you're part of it.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Okay. I guess I'm just putting this forward as a possibility, because essentially the leadership of NPOC has approached me in wanting to have some common invitation for those ALSes that are themselves NPOs.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks for noting this. We'll have to discuss this afterwards then, I think. Maybe in the next steps to do reminders for this, because it's important. I can't decide as to yes or no, but obviously the Committee will have to work on it. I'd be ever so happy to be able to have some interaction with NPOC. In fact, with the NCSG, because I know there are also some non-profits in the [NCEC 00:17:30] as well.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH: Right. I see a message in the chat room, Heidi, about the possibility of meeting with the ALAC on the Tuesday afternoon. I'm really just tossing this out, in terms of some kind of interaction.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, excellent. That's noted. Let's move onto Wednesday. It starts at 8:00 with the SO and AC Chairs again, who will be addressing the ATLAS II participants. Then we have two GAs – the LACRALO GA that will take place 9:00 until 12:00, all morning. That takes place in the ALAC room. There's the APRALO GA that starts at 11:00 and goes on until 13:00. That's not in the ALAC room. It's in one of the other side rooms as well. Then there's a lunch break, and then there's an AFRALO/AfrICANN joint meeting, which is the traditional meeting very well attended.

We'll come up with a statement no doubt, especially with the number of people that will be attending in the room. Then the AFRALO GA follows immediately afterwards, and that also takes place in the ALAC room. In the evening, at 17:00 the ATLAS group Chairs and rapporteurs are meeting in order to harmonize the reports and compile them together. We expect about 15 people. The room hasn't been allocated yet, but we've got the count of the number of people. Wednesday night, as you know, is the gala night.

The shuttle starts at 19:00 and usually go on for at least an hour, if not an hour and a half, to shuttle us off to I have no idea where, but somewhere in London, until midnight. I would be surprised if everyone remained until midnight, because the next day we are starting with the

final ATLAS II session. Now, you'll have noticed the difference between the previous schedules and the current schedule that's on the screen. The original idea was to start at 9:00 and go until 13:00 in one go, having the final ATLAS II sessions with the approval of the final documents, etcetera, and then have the full ALAC wrap-up meeting.

The problem is that there's been some changes to the schedule and some suggestions that there will be an additional session about the NTIA discussions that would take place on the morning of Thursday, which would be an ICANN-wide discussion. Although that hasn't been firmed up, it looks as though the Board is moving in that direction, because most of the other SOs and ACs are saying they don't have anything against it. I know that a few are opposed to this idea, because it would move their timetables around, but we have to think of a Plan B.

The Plan B that we have here is if ICANN goes forward with having the NTIA discussion in the morning, starting I think at 10:00 or 11:00, and then having the Public Forum go on for all of the afternoon, we would need to shuffle things around. Therefore we'd need to start at 7:00 until 10:00, to have the final ATLAS II session. That's three hours for us. Then at 10:00 we'd go over to the main big hall where the big discussion about NTIA will take place.

Apparently there will be remote hubs as well. There will be a whole format very similar to the Net Mundial format. Then from 12:00 to 13:00, lunchtime, we'll have the ALAC wrap-up meeting, just in one hour. That's when the ALAC will just ratify any documents or any additional statements that it needs to have. That means that the reports from the different liaisons and the different RALOs will have to be

submitted in writing this time and put on the Wiki, rather than stating them during the session itself. We just don't have the time for that, but they will be acknowledged during the meeting.

Then in the afternoon, as I said, there's the Public Forum and Board meeting, and then at 17:30 until 19:00 there will be a Board Meeting and presentation of the ATLAS reports. I have no idea in what format that will be presented, but no doubt we'll find some solution by then. Finally on Friday it's the Leadership Team meeting from 8:00 until 11:00. As you can see, a very light week for all of us(!) I open the floor for questions or comments now.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks Olivier for this overview and summary of the final outline of the ATLAS II schedule. Are there any questions from your side, any comments? Now is the opportunity. I see there is one hand raised from Evan. You have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Thanks Wolf. As one of the rapporteurs of one of the thematic sessions, I'll just say that the two hours that are allocated, from 17:00 to 19:00 are probably not going to be enough. However, there does seem to be some flexibility, I think, through the one-day schedule. If there could just be a point that says, "After the thematic sessions are done, the rapporteurs between themselves will try and agree on times to get together, as to come up with a schedule and how to do this"...

I appreciate having the two hours that are set aside on the Wednesday in the schedule, but I personally don't think that will be enough. That's something that I think the moderators and rapporteurs between themselves can agree, on how and where to meet.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Yes, thanks Evan. To be frank, this was my understanding from the beginning, and based on the experience from Mexico. Drafting a final report is more time, so it was my assumption that after the last breakout session on Sunday, the small group of rapporteurs get together and decide on some follow up meetings to prepare the first outline for the final report. So this 17:00 to 19:00 meeting, in my opinion, is supposed to be more or less one of the final meetings of this group with ATLAS Group Chairs. I see another hand raised from Gunela. Please, you have the floor.

GUNELA ASTBRINK:

Hello. This is my first meeting for this Working Group so I'm going to ask questions which are probably fairly obvious. With the breakout parallel sessions, are people encouraged to fit in a particular thematic group, over the Saturday afternoon and the Sunday, or would they be able to move from one group to another over those two days? Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Well, before I hand over to Heidi, I think there is a logistical limitation. The reason why we do a pre-survey as soon as the abstracts and the sub-questions for the thematic groups are finally fixed and available, this will

be a part of the next survey [inaudible 00:26:29] all ATLAS II participants to make a choice on one of the five breakout sessions. We have afterwards to do room allocations according to the size of the rooms, etcetera, and if we would allow this wandering flexibility, I think we could end up in a mess where people suddenly decide to go to another one, which doesn't have the capacity, etcetera.

It will be a logistical mess, and therefore I tend to suggest we unfortunately have to stick to the groups that were set up in advance. I give Heidi an opportunity to confirm whether my considerations are realistic, or whether there could be more flexibility, or another choice.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Thank you for giving me the floor, but I think this is actually up to you, Olivier and the organizers of this. I think the room situation might be one issue, but we can deal with that. It's really more if those people who are moving around feel that they can contribute to the various topics. That might be a good thing for them to do that. It's not for staff really to say, I would think.

WOLF LUDWIG:

If you think, Heidi, there should be flexibility, I'm always in favor of flexibility wherever possible, so I think we should re-discuss this option again and find an agreement that we can communicate early enough to the participants. Thanks for raising the question, Gunela. I think you're not the only one who'd like to have a certain flexibility and see what's happening in other thematic groups. Are there any further questions regarding the... I see Olivier has raised his hand as well. Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much. Perhaps I can briefly let you know my experience during the first ATLAS Summit. At the time I was not part of the ALAC as such, and I was not participating as an ALS. I was a bit of a [pre-electron 00:29:17]. This move between the different rooms, we had a similar set up with different workshops. I went from workshop to workshop and I think that I very quickly finally settled in one or two of them – moving between the two rooms trying not to miss anything.

I'm sure some people might wish to move from one workshop to another, but I'd still suggest that because of the fact that the workshops have to yield some material in order to be able to significantly contribute to a workshop, please don't spread yourself too thinly across more than one or two subjects. Hopefully just one, so as to have the best input possible, because when you're not in the room you're going to miss the discussions that take place, and then of course contributing afterwards makes it a lot more difficult.

That was my personal feeling. I did go into one of the rooms afterwards and say, "Maybe we should discuss this path?" and the response was, "We've already discussed this. Thank you." There you go. Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. There is another question from Beran in the chat, asking about the announcement, which states the ALAC/At-Large ccNSO cocktail will be moved to... There was no discussion made, to my understanding, but this question has to be resolved as soon as possible. Heidi just confirmed the ALAC Board cocktail is now scheduled for Tuesday. Okay.

We will sort this out as soon as possible, together with other still open questions. Are there any further comments or questions from your side? Otherwise, Olivier has raised his hand again. Olivier, please?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you Wolf. As you know, the cocktails with the Board and the ccNSO and the potential meetings that we have... The meeting with the Board is confirmed. All of the others are to be confirmed, and they might move to other days and other times. This is the way that the schedule is built. I know we're only one month away, but things still move around at the moment. We can't really say when they'll be moved again. Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thanks Olivier for this perfect clarification. If there are no immediate questions or comments on the Summit schedule, I'd like to continue with our Agenda, with #4 – the thematic breakout sessions. There has been a workspace created already some time ago, which is now posted here in the AC. There we've defined the thematic groups based on the ATLAS II Survey, and outcomes. You can see the five topics and subjects we have selected, and we were [very fine 00:33:20] already starting in Singapore, and continuing afterwards to find appropriate subject matter experts on each subject, which has been concerned over the last week.

Each subject matter experts is invited to write a short abstract on the subject, and the thematic group together with three to five sub questions, which will start as preparation for the ATLAS II participants. This is then circulated to the participants, together with the next pre-

survey to ask each of the participants to sign in for one of the five groups, to decide afterwards, depending on the numbers for each thematic group, what room allocation we can make for each of the five groups.

This is one important step we made in-between, and I hope that the feedback, the abstract and the sub questions by each of the thematic teams will be ready by tomorrow night, because we are less than 50 days before London, and this survey needs to be prepared by At-Large staff and circulated as soon as possible. Therefore we have to push the subject matter experts to come up with the abstract and the three to five questions this week.

Are there any questions on this part, from your side? The invitation was sent two weeks ago, so many of the subject matter experts have been busy with Net Mundial in São Paulo, which took some time, but we're now pushing to get the input from the subject matter experts ready. I see Olivier has raised his hand. You have the floor Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Wolf. Just to let you know, with regards to the At-Large community engagement with ICANN, Murray McKercher, Stéphane Van Gelder and I have been working on this, and we'll be sending you the response very shortly indeed. It's just not finalized yet. As you know Stéphane just joined a few days ago, so he's getting up to date with things. I think we've got a good set of sub topics that will be touched on.

I wonder if any of the other people who are currently present on the call have managed to speak to their colleagues about the thematic group that they'll be a subject matter expert in?

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks for this comment. I see in the AC chat the question from Avri, that under the second column we have the selected subject matter experts listed. There is only one single name in the first group, which is Adam Peake. We had discussion to add someone else to this group, but it's not confirmed. Otherwise, these subject matter experts are understood as jointly to prepare the abstract and the three questions, and to lead the thematic group together; whether they're two or, in case of the fifth group, three. This has to be understood as a joint effort.

Evan has raised his hand. Evan, you have the floor.

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Thanks Wolf. I wanted to just address some of the comments Avri's been mentioning in the chat about the fact that in some of the places in the schedule there are possibly multiple subject matter experts and so on. I just wanted to answer that I actually consider that to be a strength. One of the things that I've had to raise in a number of instances is that the subject matter experts are not there to give lectures. The subject matter experts are there to assist in the work that's being done and ongoing, and actually having multiple SMEs in the room is a strength rather than a problem.

It's not a matter of battling over who's going to present or who's going to be first, but all of the SMEs, at least in my understanding, are there to be resources for the group as it goes forward, essentially to help differentiate fact from non-fact, and to have a better sense of history, for newcomers to have questions, and that kind of thing. I think we've had a bit of a communications problem, getting this out, because some people have assumed that the SMEs are there to be presenters, and that wasn't my understanding of how this was going to be done.

This was not a frontal lecture format, so much as a workshop, in which case the SMEs were going to be background assistants. Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks a lot Evan for referring to this potential source of misunderstandings. Indeed there was discussions among some of us as to whether the SMEs are not only in charge of preparing these five breakout sessions, but afterwards and also during the event are conducting this event. Of course they're needed as resource persons at the event itself, but they won't be the single resource persons at the event, so for each group the SMEs can suggest some more resource persons to base the input for the opening of the session as broad as possible.

So this still needs to be discussed, but it's not exclusive as it might have been understood by some people. Let me shortly just reply to a comment from Avri in the AC. "I'm sure Hong does not need my help," but as you are joint SMEs, and Hong has prepared and sent a draft, Avri, it would be nice to know whether you agree to this draft, or whether

you have something to add to it, etcetera. Please, let's try to get this accomplished by tomorrow, latest. You've not seen the draft?

Then after this call I'll forward it again to you. Don't worry, you will see it. Are there any further questions from your side on #4.a and #4.b and #4.c? I think we've accomplished this so far. Then the next point is #4.d – criteria for selection of moderators and reporters. After selection of the SMEs we wanted to be as inclusive as possible, by inviting the community; whether there are some people interested to support us during the Summit in London, with particular tasks like session moderation and reporting.

Afterwards we've seen that some people suggested themselves to express their interest to the Board and help. Suddenly we found ourselves in a dilemma, that half of the people who were listed we know, and half of the people we do not know; we don't know their background in detail. Therefore we decided, okay, we need to draft some basic criteria and guidelines for those jobs. For ATLAS II session moderators, and for ATLAS II reporters, you see here now on the screen the basic criteria for session moderators, and on the workspace you can also find the criteria we drafted for session rapporteurs.

I must admit, yes, these criteria are rather tough, but based on the experience we had with the first ATLAS in Mexico City in 2009, which was a milestone for the At-Large community, when we came up with this manifest from the first ATLAS, it paved the way for some major improvements and for a better recognition of At-Large in the ICANN sphere. So this was the starting point for our considerations; to say we really need the best candidates ever possible for this function. These

are not just minor support functions, but they are elementary and a success factor for ATLAS II.

Based on this criteria and guidelines for ATLAS II, we now have to make a selection. We have to make the shortlist of the candidates and list it on the workspace, to come up with a final selection of moderators for each of the thematic groups, and rapporteurs for each of the thematic groups. We need to make the decision [inaudible 00:45:51] next phase, and they will be announced immediately afterwards. I see that Evan Leibovitch has raised his hand. Evan?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Thank you Wolf. I have a question for you and the rest of the group regarding the intentions for the rapporteurs. Specifically, based on what happened at ATLAS I, the declaration that came out was effectively a stitching together of the various reports from each of the various reports from each of the thematic groups, and they were like chapters. Chapter one was what came out of one group, chapter two came out of another group, and chapter three and chapter four.

So they clearly all looked like they had different authors and styles depending on who was doing the writing. Is that going to be the intended outcome this time around, or is it the preference of this group to try and have a single overarching statement that includes everything, or are we satisfied essentially to have separately-authored things from each of the different thematic groups. Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks Evan for this very important question. Let me recall the procedure we've discussed and finally applied during the first Summit in Mexico. I think there was a coordination meeting between session reporters in Mexico, and during this coordination meeting there was some rough consensus about how the reports from each of the sessions at the time had to be standardized. I think the final drafting work done by the group, you were part of it at the time together with Carlton and also Alan Greenberg, [inaudible 00:48:02].

The final outcome was based on a coordinated effort, which means as soon as the rapporteurs are known, there should be an exchange between the rapporteurs prior to the ATLAS II event, to decide and find some common ground on how this report needs to be done, to be useful, [conceived 00:48:32] substantial, etcetera, and to serve as the best input for the final report. This is a coordination effort that still needs to be done. Is your question answered by this?

EVAN LEIBOVITCH:

Pretty well. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay. I will, together with staff, as soon as the people are selected and the final decision and shortlist has been made... A similar thing in my opinion is also needed for the moderator. I really think the session moderators, which will finally be selected, should take these basic criteria and guidelines carefully into consideration, as we come up with similar standards and quality for each of the five breakout sessions. Are there any further questions on Agenda #4.d – the criteria for selection of

moderators and rapporteurs? Do you have any questions on the content of this basic criteria?

I see no hands raised. I guess that all of you have understood why we had to come up with some tough criteria like this one, that everything is oriented to success of ATLAS II. There was so much effort and investment needed to make ATLAS II happen, and therefore from an organizing point of view, we have to make sure that the outcome of ATLAS II will be comparable to the one we had at ATLAS I in Mexico, at the time. We would like to have a new milestone for the At-Large community in London, etcetera.

This would pave the ground for better recognition and more contribution of the [inaudible 00:50:55] at ICANN. If there are no more questions on this Agenda Item, let me continue. We are also running a bit short on time for this call. #5 is timelines. I think we've mentioned some of the timelines already. Timelines go together with next steps. It's quite urgent now, in my understanding, that the SMEs must present their abstract possibly by tomorrow evening or midnight. The abstracts can then be posted on the Wiki, together with the three to five key questions on their subject.

Afterwards it will be up to staff to prepare the next pre-survey to the participants, to make a choice on the thematic groups they'd like to choose for London. These are, in my opinion, the next urgent phases, which need to be prepared during the next few weeks. There was also a short question by Heidi in the AC, at the very beginning: "Who will prepare the roundtable, besides the five breakout sessions? We also

have to start discussing what the format of the roundtable should be, who should be there, and some more details.”

This needs to be urgently resolved because it should be our aim to have more or less the finalized program for ATLAS II, including some content and substantial points for the breakout sessions. We should have these ready at least one month prior to ATLAS II. So there is still a lot of work to do, still a lot of decisions to be made, and this needs to be done, in my opinion, over the next two weeks. Are there any comments or questions regarding timelines or next steps?

I think it will be a big effort, again, to have the next pre-survey done, and I hope that all participants will respond to it; that we can get a substantiated picture about participation for the breakout sessions, etcetera, and to make the final room allocation. I see two more hands raised. Eduardo first, and afterwards Gunela.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you Wolf. I just want to stress a couple of things that were put in the chat. According to what Avri wrote, it seems to me that the SMEs are not being informed on these deadlines. If we had the deadline for tomorrow I think we could chase SMEs and let them know. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay, thanks. According to this I'm not correct. Avri, I have sent the first invitation letter to the SMEs, including you, on the 18th of April. I have sent a first, friendly reminder to the SMEs on the 27th of April, and over the last weekend I have sent another reminder. All reminders

including you. Either I don't have the right email address for you, but you were always included and informed about the deadlines, etcetera.

You missed them. Okay. Let's follow up on this afterwards. This is nothing we should further discuss here. I'm confident and very optimistic that we can get all the inputs together by tomorrow evening. Next on my list is Gunela. Gunela, you have the floor.

GUNELA ASTBRINK:

Thank you. I'm just asking about the participants at ATLAS II. Certainly when it comes to sending out the survey and so forth. I may be mistaken, but the At-Large [inaudible 00:56:37] Mentoring Program [of three], which we're very excited about, I think we should be included in any [inaudible 00:56:51] on that, in regard to which work to go into, and so forth. That's my first question.

Secondly, I'm wondering if there are potentials for new ALSes, that we could encourage from England, to participate, that haven't joined the ICANN community yet, but we might be able to invite to ATLAS in regard to getting to know ICANN. I just wanted to know about the possibility of that, please?

WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks a lot Gunela. As far as I understood your question, there was a brief condition, more or less, for participation of an ALS at ATLAS II, which was a response to the first ATLAS survey we circulated in October last year. All ALSes who have responded to this first survey somehow automatically qualified for participation in London. As a matter of fact

we had some more ALSes certified afterwards, after we circulated the survey.

There was a deadline, to my memory, until the end of December or beginning of January this year, for incoming ALSes who have been certified under this deadline, are still allowed to participate in London. Therefore for others we couldn't provide this possibility, because we still face a lot of budget and other constraints. Is your question answered by this?

GUNELA ASTBRINK:

I just wanted to clarify I'm not talking about the budget. I'm mainly talking about organizations that haven't applied to become an ALS, but are based in London.

WOLF LUDWIG:

Okay, now I understand. If they are associations based in London, interested in the event, I don't think there will be hundreds of those, but ATLAS II is not understood as a completely closed event, so people who are interested as observers, etcetera, I think should have the possibility to attend ATLAS. That's my understanding so far. Any other ideas? Any other comments from Olivier or Heidi's side? Space permitting? Well, this is a criteria we mentioned before.

We have rather limited space capacity, but I don't think there will be dozens of people suddenly showing up for ATLAS II in London. If there are other ALSes that may be interested, I think this should be somehow possible. Any further comments or questions from your side? I see no

hands raised. The last item that comes into my mind is fixing a day for our next call, for this ATLAS II Event Working Group. Is it okay for you if we say in-between ten and fourteen days we envisage our next call; at the beginning of May, around the week of the 19th?

Is that okay for you? Yes, in two weeks. Next week, Olivier, in two weeks. What's your opinion? In my opinion, calls should be scheduled according to necessity, etcetera, so if there is no urgently bumping up, we will do it in two weeks. If anything comes up that needs clarification before, we'll shortly schedule it for the next week. Can we all agree on this? No objection raised? I take it there's broad approval from your side? I think we are through with today's Agenda. I'd like to thank you for this fruitful meeting.

I think we have sorted out and clarified a lot of points, which have inform about important next steps, etcetera, and I hope that a lot of details become much clearer to you than they were before the call, etcetera. Thanks to all of you for your precious time and attending this call. I wish you an excellent evening.

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