
UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Welcome to the LACRALO monthly meeting, on this Monday 21st of July, 2014, 23:00 UTC. In attendance today on the Spanish channel is Tatiana Toculescu, Sergio Salinas Porto, Antonio Medina Gomez, Jose Arce, Adrian Carballo, Alberto Soto, Aida Noblia, Natalia Enciso, Tatiana Toculescu, Alyne Andrade, Gilberto Lara, Oscar Garcia, Maricarmen Sequera, Luis Sergio Valle, Alejandra Castro, Javier Pallero, Juan Manuel Rojas.

And in the English channel we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond and Dev Anand Teelucksingh. And we have apologies from Cristian Casas. In the staff we have Silvia Vivanco, Terri Agnew, Heidi Ullrich, and Susie Johnson.

Interpreters we have Veronica and David. This is a friendly reminder, as this call is being recorded, to please state your name prior to speaking so that your name can be captured on the document. Over to you Sylvia. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much. It is good to have people, again, in the meeting. First of all, there is a topic that I would like to address today, which is not perhaps on the agenda today, and this is a training cycle. I don't have a name, so I would like to ask Natalia Enciso to start with, or to introduce the training cycle.

NATALIA ENCISO: This is Natalia Enciso speaking. Hello, can you hear me?

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ALBERTO SOTO: Yes, Natalia, please go ahead.

NATALIA ENCISO: Natalia Enciso speaking. Yes, can you hear me? This is Natalia Enciso speaking. And I would like to introduce our speaker, Jeffrey from the e-learning platform from ICANN staff, and he will speak about the topic. We have already discussed that with Fatima Cambronero. This is a continuation of our training cycle. And we have mentioned this in our General Assembly in London.

So he will speak about the platform so that we can have a better understanding.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. So go ahead please with this presentation. This is Alberto Soto. Jeffrey, go ahead with your presentation. You have the floor, go ahead please. Jeffrey, this is Alberto Soto speaking. Can you hear us? You have the floor, go ahead please.

Alberto Soto speaking. Is he online? Is he connected to the call?
Alberto Soto speaking, yes, we can hear you Jeffrey.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Hi Olivier, this is Heidi. Hi Dev. Basically Jeff is giving his presentation on the AC. So I'm just trying to figure out what's going on here. So that's why we don't hear anything.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay.

[CROSSTALK]

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Sorry for the interruption, but we are hearing English and Spanish on the same channel.

FATIMA CAMBRONERO: This is Fatima Cambronero. Jeff, are you only in the Adobe Connect?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: They could have worked this thing out before the call started.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Indeed.

SILVIA VIVANCO: This is Silvia Vivanco from staff. If I may, while we solve this problem, we can proceed with the agenda, Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. Humberto, I know that you are already connected, so please go ahead with item two on the agenda.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. I would like to know if you can hear me?

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Yes, we can hear you. Go ahead please.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. Okay, so thank you very much. Item number two on the agenda, has to do with the different topics, and I would like to make a summary of those topics. We have different activities, pending activities in the future. There are certain topics that we need to highlight.

For example, we need to take into account the procedure to determine the way to achieve consensus regarding the opinion [CROSSTALK]... This was given to the governance working group.

JEFFREY: Okay, I should be here now.

[CROSSTALK]

HEIDI ULLRICH: This is Heidi.

JEFFREY: Hi Heidi.

HEIDI ULLRICH: We jumped into a different item at the moment...

JEFFREY: That's fine. Sorry about that.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay, no problem.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Then we would proceed with both things. This is what we have done, or what we have agreed up to now. When it comes to the proposals to [inaudible] participation of ALSs within LACRALO and ICANN, well this was given to the governance working group, and this working group has to work with this, and they will have to give information about this.

Now, when it comes to the [inaudible] proposal for ALSs in LACRALO, we will have information from LACRALO members, once this information is added to the wiki page. There is a public comment period open, and then it will be both for that. So basically this is, when it comes to item number two on the agenda. And when it comes to item number three,

because this is in fact item number three because item number two should be the training circle that we will be offering once the technical problems are solved.

I don't know if there is any comment or questions regarding my comments.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. There are no comments, so are the technical issues solved so that we can proceed with the training cycle?

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Can we continue with the presentation?

JEFFERY: I'm ready.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. It seems so.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Silvia Vivanco, are we ready to continue with the presentation? Otherwise we will continue with the agenda.

SILVIA VIVANCO: This is Silvia. Yes we have Jeffrey in the English channel now.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto. Okay. Jeffrey, please go ahead with your presentation. Thank you very much.

JEFFREY: Okay. This is Jeff. Just very quickly, I wanted to let you know about a capacity building course that we have created with the wonderful help of Natalia Enciso, who have really put together a great online course designed for current and hopefully future members of the At Large organization.

It's designed specifically to be a sort of beginner's level course, and hold information about the multistakeholder model, Internet governance, and those topics that we think everybody should know about. We can advance this slide when we get a chance. So the course is completely free, as you would assume. It's available to anyone and it's on the online learning platform.

It's run by ICANN but made for the community. It's called ICANN Learn, if you haven't seen it yet. In order to access it, all you have to do is go to [Learn dot ICANN dot org](http://Learn.dot.ICANN.dot.org). You can do that now or later at your convenience, it's always available. In order to access the course, you just have to create a free account, click on community courses, and then click on Intro to LACRALO. And then just enroll in the course and go through it at your leisure.

You can take your time going through it and there is a discussion group, a discussion area where you can ask questions and other community members or myself will respond to them. And we can hold a discussion about a particular item that are covering the course, whenever you

want. It will be, the course will be live for the future. So feel free to share it with your friends and share it with new community members as well.

Okay, we can go to the next slide. Here is just a quick look at what it looked like, if you haven't been to the website yet. It's called ICANN Learn as I mentioned, and there is a lot of other courses on there. But the most important one that we want to talk about today was this capacity building course, which is simply called intro to LACRALO.

And as you can see on the left, it has individual lessons and a small box with [inaudible]... that you have completed it. The course, future [inaudible] and also future text images and quizzes as well, so you can test your knowledge on what you've just learned, which should be a fun way to make it a little more interactive.

To navigate the course, you can look to the right side of that screenshot, and you can see that it goes over the curriculum. And you can use that to browse as well. Go to the next slide. So here is just an example of what the course looks like to start. Getting it translated into all of the major UN languages, but for now it is in English, currently available, and the translation is in process.

I'm waiting on that, we should have that this week. I will alert everybody as soon as that is done. But for now, it's available in English, as you can see. Basically it is pretty straightforward. And we walk you through exactly who to take the course, what they should expect to learn, and who else should be aware of this course. Go to the next slide.

Thanks. And as I mentioned before, there is quizzes that are part of the course, and that's a great way to just test your knowledge through a variety of options. And as you can see, you can do short answer, multiple choice, true/false. We're going to add in a few more quizzes into this as well, just to make it a little more exciting and interactive.

[Inaudible] Great. And so the next slide. And this is, I don't know if [inaudible] this particular design helps [all of them] with on calls and especially all future [immigrants?] will be on this call, at some point in the future. We've added in a survey at the end of the course, and this is a very important part. I want everybody who takes this course, or shares this course, to at least fill out the survey so they can tell us what they would like to see in a more advanced course that we're working on.

So you should do this as a beginner's course, and [inaudible] too many details or the minutia of [inaudible] and LACRALO in general, but we hope to do that in the intermediate level course, and we'll shape that course based on your feedback. So the entire ICANN Learn platform was devoted to the community by the community, and we want to keep that going.

So the more you share with us, with ICANN staff, the better. And it looks like I can actually change slides. There we go. So this is the last slide. And to get started, just go to [Learn dot ICANN dot org](http://Learn.dot.ICANN.dot.org), and be sure to contact me, or leave a question in the discussion group, if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks. That's it from me.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Jeffrey. I thought we would have some more content. That it would be then our task to access the website, see the content, and give some opinion on the course. So thank you very much.

So let's now go on with our agenda, item number three now. Humberto, please go ahead with item number three.

Humberto, can you hear us?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto speaking. I made a mistake. This is not item three, but it's actually item two that I was referring to. So now we will deal with item three, which deals with the working group and the work that the working group has been engaged with.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto speaking. Please give us one moment Humberto, Natalia is asking for the floor. Just one second please. Go ahead Natalia please.

NATALIA ENCISO: This is Natalia speaking. I just wanted to make a clarification on the course. I don't know if you can hear me. I wanted to say that within the context of the LACRALO course, the capacity building course is actually a pilot program, and Jeff has just explained how to access the website, because we want all the LACRALO members to test it, to access it and to set the course, and to provide us with the feedback to see whether this is sufficient, whether it's enough, if we need to depend on the course

more or to ask staff or to remove staff. So the idea was just to say how to use the website.

Not actually to talk about the content, because this is included on the wiki. So I invite you to test the course and to provide us with your feedback. Thank you.

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you Natalia. Go ahead please. Dev, go ahead please.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: This is Dev. I see Natalia's hand is raised.

ALBERTO SOTO: Please go ahead Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. This is Dev Anand here. Thanks Jeffrey to sharing that. But actually my question is related to on point number two, regarding the outcomes of the General Assembly. I came in late, but I just wanted to confirm, has the actual rules of procedure text been updated to reflect the new, the updated translations? So I just wanted to know if that was done.

And if so, is it up on the wiki? That's my question. Thank you.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Dev, this is Humberto speaking. Alberto, can I please answer? The thing is, I wanted to ask Dev if he is referring to the item on the General Assembly where we wanted to reform the versions in English and in Spanish? Because this is not actually a replaced it in item two. This actually is a [inaudible] decision, but it has nothing to do with the future, as in the case of the other proposals.

So we need to clarify Dev, that we did not deal with this issue on the previous item.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. This is Dev. [Inaudible] okay. Thank you Humberto. This is Dev Anand speaking. I was referring to regarding the motions to [inaudible] changes, to update the English and Spanish versions of our rules of procedure. Several changes were proposed and they were all approved. My question to you is, has this text we've prepared in our updated rules of procedure? Do you understand my question now? As one of the outcomes coming from the General Assembly?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto speaking. We cannot really hear Humberto very well. There have been some modifications, and my task is to make the modifications. The thing is, I was on vacation. I have just come back a few days ago. And this is also something that also part of the task [inaudible], so my commitment is in the next few days, I will proceed to prepare the document, together with the staff, so that we can inform this, or report this, to other members in the region.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. Is there anybody else who would like to say something? Okay. We would also like to clarify. This is not only for Dev, this is in process. We have just translated all of the necessary documents that we could not deal with in the Assembly because they just had to be translated. There are translated now. And as Humberto said, and I would repeat this because the audio was not very clear, there were some issues that have already gone to the governance group, as we have defined on the Assembly.

The governance group now needs to incorporate this into the program. What was not translated is translated now and it has been incorporated into the wiki, so the governance group would be able to deal with this issue. This will then be published and will be posted in the languages we use in our region. So let's go on then to the next item on the agenda, Humberto please go ahead.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

This is Humberto speaking. In this issue, I will only make a general introduction, a general comment because Sergio Salinas Porto and others will be absolutely referring to this issue. I would like to rephrase the procedures for the working group so that they can be worked on properly.

And in the end, the working group needs to do an internal group, and the result of that group is published on the wiki. It is posted for public comment and once comments are made, modifications are introduced. Then the period is closed and we open a voting period that we need to

approve so that we can agree or disagree with what the group has said. So now I would like to give the floor to Sergio Salinas Porto so that he can talk to us about what the governance group is saying.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: This is Sergio speaking. I would like to know if you can hear me. So Sergio speaking. Let me tell you a little bit about what we're doing. After the Assembly, many of us took some holidays, probably because of the World Cup, you know that I am a World Cup fan, and I didn't really go back to my daily work until the World Cup was completed, was finished.

And so we had to add some other items to those that were dealt with on the agenda of the General Assembly, such as how to reach consensus with respect to AOS certification. The procedure was changed to include participation of the ALSs both for LACRALO and ICANN. And the metrics issue. Metrics has already been incorporated into the work that the work group had [tasked].

Now in this instance, we have worked on the number of people who were members of the working group, and I have also analyzed who were those who were more or less active, and I also had to create a strategy so that we could complete this as soon as possible, because we had to deal with many issues. And even though the working group is pretty big, we will now inform some people who are no longer in the group, and this is important because Fatima has been helping us a lot and now she's overwhelmed with work.

And it's very difficult to demand her to also participate in the group. So she asked me if she could get out of the group, and that's what we are asking her and I'm not sure if she would do this, is to send some notes that she had written down. Can you hear me properly?

ALBERTO SOTO: This is Alberto Soto speaking. We are hearing you with a lot of echo.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio speaking now again. So in this stage, as I was saying, Fatima is writing on the chat room that she will no longer be able to be involved, but she will try to support us as much as possible, and she took some notes in the year 2010. We have discussed the metrics issue, and so we were asking her to send it. I know she needs to look for this, but at some point, she will send us.

Now having said this, we need, I think at least, three more members in the region who are willing to work on some of the specific subgroups that we are working on. There is one of them that has completely closed, which is the operation of one. There is Vanda on there, and I will also be involved there, because Fatima cannot be participating there, then I will.

And I will ask Alberto to participate in the operational procedures group so that we can provide some more dates, so that everybody can have the opportunity to review this. We know that they were not able to participate in that activity. And then the group will analyze all of the

input and will write a final document so that we can have a discussion about this.

So the idea is to define if we will approve this or not. Then there is a rules of procedure working group. And another one related to optimization. Now that we are all here, I will ask that we hold a meeting so that we can meet, this is a very large group. There is Dev there, Juan Manual Rojas, Leon [inaudible] Sanchez, [inaudible], Oscar Garcia, Vanda Scartezini, Fatima Cambroner, except, of course, she will not be completely participating.

There is also Ivan [inaudible], Sylvia who was just incorporated, Carlos Aguirre, and some others. I see there are other colleagues who also want to participate, such as Yuyuqui Loqui, and Ratime Citterio, who had been providing their input to the team. So we want to say that this is LACRALO government and not necessarily Internet governance. This is for those colleagues who have just joined us.

And please remember that we are discussing the internal laws or procedures in the region. I will also send an email tomorrow to the staff asking for a meeting within 15 days. We will all meet together and we will see how we are going to create our groups. I have an alternate group that I have tried to sketch something, considering the different characteristics so that they can provide their input at the different levels within this subgroup.

But I will also take a few days so that I can talk to each of them, and see if they agree with a better grouping of the working group to optimize results. I also understand that in a relatively due time, we will hold a

different meeting, and we will try to deliver at least the document for the operating principles. The metrics and rules of procedure will take a bit longer, because it needs to receive the community input, and then we also need to deal with training and the consensus for the certification of ALSs, and the improvement of the participation for the ALSs in LACRALO, etc.

So this is all I wanted to say about the governance. And so, if you want, I can also refer to the ccTLDs because this is very brief. And if you would like me to do this, I can go ahead, unless there are some questions or comments that you would like to make.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto Soto speaking. I see no hands up, so please go ahead Sergio, very quickly with the ccTLDs.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO:

Sergio speaking. With respect to ccTLDs, there is no news. We will also resume this on the meeting that we will call next week. This is also a result, in my case, of the work up, but in the case of others, it is the result of taking vacation. We will then call for a meeting to decide on this. There were a few issues that we refer to before, those of us who were in London have been able to talk to Dominic, and to people who are in LAC TLD, so that we can work within that logic.

So I believe after the meeting, we will send a report to the Secretariat and the Chair, so that we can report on the work that we will do. This is my report on ccTLDs, there is nothing else for me to report about this.

ALBERTO SOTO:

This is Alberto speaking. Thank you Sergio. Thank you very much for the work you're doing. I will continue with the levelling group. All I need to say about this is, from now on this group is dissolved. And as I said, there is a training program that we need to develop. There is a course that has just been introduced, it's very interesting.

So regarding this, I would like to ask that you test the course, and that we can provide our feedback on this. Are there are any questions or any comments that you would like to make so far?

Okay. This is Alberto Soto still speaking. The next item on the agenda is the creation of the transition working group, which is also connected to the next item, and I will put this together so that we can save time. So with respect to the transition group, this is a group that aims at taking, or rather, as summarizing all of the events being conducted at the well level.

There is a calendar, we are observing that calendar, have a look at it. There is some events in [inaudible]. I am asking now the staff to provide me with the conclusions of that [Berlin?] event. I have been waiting for the reply for that. And with these conclusions, we do have a basic document that was introduced by Jose Arce. So we will take that basic document, and together with the conclusions taking from all of the events, that we will take in this group, we will try to create a document that needs to be available at all times.

And if we need to provide feedback or to go live, then we will have the document ready to be used. Now, are there any questions about this, or any comments?

Alberto Soto speaking. I see no hands up.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia Vivanco speaking. I have a question regarding what you have just said. Could you please shed some light, or say what you mean by the [Berlin] document? I just have heard that. Could you please rephrase or repeat your ideas?

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking for the record. There was an even in [Berlin], I don't remember the name of the event, but within the name there is the word [Berlin], and it was related to Internet governance, and many topics related to the IANA transition. So I couldn't access the website, but there are no conclusions. In fact, I could access the site and there are no conclusions.

I contacted Avri Doria, and she told me that she asked the staff that because Avri Doria participated in that event. So perhaps someone from the coordination working group may send that type of information. She sent me an email a few days ago.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Silvia Vivanco speaking. Okay. Thank you very much for your clarification. I think that we will discuss this by email, so please, if you

could kindly send me the email so that I can proceed with the corresponding follow up of the topic.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. So, hello? Alberto Soto speaking. So, I would like to ask if it is possible to have another volunteer for the working group? Because this has to do with the activities that will be holding in November. As we have been discussing during our meeting in London, and many ALSs agreed to do it, we would like to generate, we intend to create an event related to the IANA transition, in all of the countries where we have ALSs.

The idea is that document being drafted by the working group is exactly what should be presented at the event. That is to say, the same presentation in other countries. Because we need to express the LACRALO opinion, and for that we will need to reach consensus regarding that presentation. Since each ALS may not have the possibility to generate a massive event, and we may not have the proper place to hold events, perhaps we can contact some of the other stakeholders, such as government for example, or the universities, so that they can contribute with their facilities to proceed or to perform the event, and that they are part of this call for the event.

So that we can have the most, or most of the stakeholders. So I will circulate that information to you so that we can proceed the debate. Any questions? I see Antonio Medina Gomez. Go ahead please Antonio.

Alberto Soto speaking. Antonio? Please go ahead.

Alberto Soto speaking. Antonio Medina Gomez, you raised your hand. Okay. So...

SUSIE JOHNSON: Susie Johnson. Excuse me. His mic is off. He needs to turn on his mic.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. Thank you Susie. He is saying on the chat that he has already posted his comment and pass the comment to the staff. So we can proceed with the next item on the agenda. The next item on the agenda is the capacity, or the training program. The course that we had today is very important, so I would like to ask you to please test the course and leave your comments.

As I said at the very beginning of the General Assembly, we have a problem. We already are happy with the participation, and there we have people who said that they will be here today, and we can see that they are now with us. But we would like to have this training, and this training needs to be translated in more participation. This is our challenge, and this is our main challenge, and this is being completed.

Now I will give the floor to Humberto, and he will speak about this. Humberto, you have the floor, go ahead please.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. Thank you very much Alberto. As we have been discussing during many meetings, one of the most important barriers that we have is language. We have language problem, and this

is very well known for us. Some days ago, with Alberto, we were discussing the possibility of improving or seeing how we can solve this problem.

Perhaps we could enter into an agreement with a company called [inaudible], providing online language training courses, on a free basis, for LACRALO members, and members in other regions. But we have no news about this training course.

So Alberto contacted the staff of this company, and there is a free agreement with them. And I will sum up this in the following words: those of us who have taken different international exams, do know that this is very extensive. So those who would like to other language, in order to be certified, we need to pay very high fees.

So [inaudible] offers LACRALO members to participate, those members who would like to learn another language, for example English or Spanish, the first option is English, there are designing a test, which is similar to the [inaudible] exams. This exam can be taken online so that we can take the course, the [inaudible]. And this for the LACRALO members, will have no cost at all according to the agreement.

And therefore, these members would be able to satisfy the level of language after taking the corresponding course. So this is a pre-agreement that we have reached, and why do I say pre-agreement? Because [inaudible] is asking us to place the LACRALO name on their advertising, so in the future, they will charge their classes, but for the LACRALO members this course will be free of charge so they are now

seeing and discussing the possibility of using the LACRALO name or ICANN name, so that we can enter into this agreement.

So we are discussing this so that we can, or to see if we can enter into the agreement according to the terms and conditions presented. So, in short, this is the activity that is being carried out with [inaudible].

Are there any questions about this topic?

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. Well I have a question. I don't know if I need to raise my hand.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Go ahead Sergio.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. I have a question related to the formalities. And the question is, should we make a formal request from RALO? Are we going to have a document? I mean, how do you think you're going to realize or materialize this? Because I am a bit confused. We have a MOU with ICANN, so are we going to involve ICANN in this? Or not? I mean, this is my question.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. Let me answer your question. We have a MOU, and I think that most of us will agree that we can enter into agreement with whoever we want. Regardless of this, I ask Alberto to

check, because I was on holiday, so I ask him to check with the ICANN staff if there would be any problem with that.

And we have the proposal, they have sent us the proposal. So the advantages are really huge for us, and we can extend this benefit to other regions of ICANN. The only thing that [inaudible] is asking us is to be able to use the LACRALO name and ICANN name, and if ICANN is against this, against the use of its logo for example, well I mean, I don't see any problem in that because the benefit to deal with our language barriers are very important.

SERGIO SALINAS PORTO: Sergio Salinas Porto speaking. So I would like to thank you because this will give us lots of opportunities in our region. So this is part of what we call the improvement of a region. So I welcome that.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Thank you very much Sergio. As Silvia is typing on the chat, she saying that they're waiting for the confirmation of the legal, ICANN Legal department. As Humberto said before, we can celebrate our agreement with no problem, but the idea that we have is to involve the other four RALOs. Why?

Because [inaudible] offers different languages. They teach English. And Humberto, for example, is learning German. So this not only has to do with the training of the individuals. For example, if you need a certification, you can take an exam with [inaudible] without leaving home. And why we need to involve more people, because the more we

are within LACRALO or within the other RALOs, that's why we would like to involve ICANN, the cost of the exam will be lower.

We will have special prices for our exams. They tell us that the exam at a lower level, the price for those exams are often \$200. And of course, we have to translate that, we have to move to the places where the exam is taken. So in this case, the exam is taken online, and there is a high degree of security, and there is a way of certification, or to certify those students, which is very good.

So I think it would be a very good opportunity to make the most of it. I see that Humberto is typing. This sounds similar to the [powerful] exam, or any other test. So I wish we could involve many other regions, and that ICANN gives us the opportunity to do this. Are there any other questions?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Humberto Carrasco speaking. Alberto, if I may, I would like to clarify a point. This is Humberto Carrasco for the record, and I request the floor.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto speaking. Okay, Humberto, go ahead.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: I see there is a link in [inaudible]. So the courses to study English are free of charge, and they equal to a semester of a course at any university. So this is already approved. But what we have negotiated with them in a conference call together with Alberto, is the cost of the

test to certify those who speak other languages, or who have a certain level of knowledge of other languages.

And this is free of charge for LACRALO members. And this is the advantage that they are offering us. The advantage of using the system. That's all. Thank you Alberto.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking. Okay, good. Are there any questions? I cannot see on my screen if you have your hand up, because we have 27 participants and this is a record in our, this is something great in our attendance.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

Humberto speaking. [Inaudible] has a question. [Inaudible] question on the chat. So I would like to answer that question. His question is, "How long is [inaudible] going to be free for LACRALO members?" So I would like to reply to that question. This is Humberto Carrasco for the record. Those that have been registered or enrolled for the exam, will receive the course on a free basis, free of charge. But then we need to discuss a time during which we will have a special discount on those courses.

And Alberto, if I'm not wrong, they told it was 20% off for LACRALO members.

ALBERTO SOTO:

Alberto Soto speaking. Yes, that's right. That was the idea. The more who are involved, the greater discount. There will be no offering the

discount later on because they have a cost which is quite high for the exam, so firsthand the course will be free of charge for now, and then they will charge us a fee.

Are there any other questions? We are getting at the top of the hour. So the last item on the agenda, Humberto, perhaps you would like to mention about the email that we received from staff regarding the candidates for the election.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: This is Humberto Carrasco for the record. Some minutes ago, we received an email from Silvia telling us, from Silvia Vivanco, telling us the positions that will be voted during the following month and during the coming months, this year. It is a quite long email, so we will circulate an email to the members of the region so that they are informed regarding the positions that they will be subject to voting in the future.

This is in a very short and simple comment. There will be a term, or a period of time, and we are agreeing with that and discussing that with the staff.

ALBERTO SOTO: Alberto Soto speaking. Okay. Thank you. This is Alberto Soto for the record. Are there any questions, any new business, or any other business that you would like to discuss? Otherwise, we'll bring this call to a close.

Alberto Soto speaking. I see there are no comments. So I would like to thank the staff, thank the interpreters, and all of the participants because I think we had a very productive assembly and call, we are contributed, and we hope to continue like this.

Remember that I need one volunteer for the transition working group. I need one volunteer, one more volunteer, so thank you very much. Good night, and good afternoon, and good evening. Thank you very much.

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