**ALAC/At-Large Achievements at the 51stICANN Meeting in Los Angeles**

**October 2014**

Among the many policy and process-related issues discussed during their meetings, there are several the ALAC would like to highlight as being of particular note:

**Meetings**

* The ALAC held [27 formal meetings](https://community.icann.org/display/atlarge/Los+Angeles+At-Large+Los+Angeles+Meeting+Agendas+Workspace) which resulted in many [Action Items](https://community.icann.org/display/atlarge/Los+Angeles+ALAC+and+At-Large+Action+Items+12-16+October+Workspace)
* During the Sunday ALAC and Regional Leaders Session, briefings were given by Fadi, the GSE and Government Engagement teams, an update on ICANN Accountability and Transparency Activities by Theresa Swinehart , an update on the status of the At-Large website revamp, a GNSO review update, a discussion with Ashwin Rangan and Chris Gift on the next steps for a Knowledge Management System, a meeting with the SSAC including [brief review of draft Beginners Guide on DNS](https://community.icann.org/display/atlarge/At-Large+Workspace+on+the+Beginner%27s+Guide+to+DNS+Security), and a discussion with Lee Hibbard of the Council of Europe on the [Report on ICANN and Human Rights](https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/48349757/DGI_2014_12E%20Report%20ICANN%20and%20Human%20Rights%20updated%205%20Oct%202014.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1413211761000&api=v2).
* ATLAS II Recommendations - The ALAC briefed the Board on its activities regarding ATLAS II Implementation. The majority of At-Large WG meetings focused on the ATLAS II recommendations that were assigned to them. Their agreements will be communicated to the ATLAS II Implementation Taskforce for next steps.
* The ALAC met with members of the ICG to discuss the NTIA IANA Functions' Stewardship Transition.
* Numerous additional informal working meetings were held including a meeting with Fadi, Alan Greenberg and Olivier Crépin-Leblond to discuss key issues that Alan will be looking at during his Chairmanship. Two meetings on how the ICANN Academy will be highlighted on the ICANN.org site were held with agreement on next steps. At-Large staff held several transition meetings with Alan Greenberg.

**ALAC Policy Advice Activities**

* + Ratification of one Policy Advice Statement
* [ALAC Statement on the Public Interest Commitments](http://atlarge.icann.org/correspondence/correspondence-16oct14-en.htm)

### Summary

1. The ALAC advises the Board of ICANN to immediately "freeze" (that is, cease contracting of or delegating) the 28 TLD strings identified by the GAC as requiring enhanced safeguards ("Category 1, Safeguards 1-8"), pending further community review and subsequent changes to the Public Interest provisions of the TLD agreements;
2. The ALAC forms a sub-committee, comprised of At-Large and other ICANN community members, to examine the current PIC mechanism, as well as any other Public Interest safeguards that may be deployed for relevant TLDs, and to recommend enhancements that better protect consumers and end-users in an expedited manner;
3. The ALAC assigns a liaison to the newly-formed ICANN Contract Compliance and Safeguards group (subject to its approval), in order to ensure that the At-Large Community is aware of the initiatives and progress of the Department on an ongoing basis.

**RALO Activities at ICANN 51**

AFRALO

* AFRALO held its AFRALO-AFRICANN meeting [Wednesday, 15 October](#_LACRALO_held_its). The meeting discussed the theme chosen in consultation with the members of the African ICANN community, "IANA Transition and ICANN Accountability seen by the African Community”. See [AFRALO-AFRICANN statement](https://community.icann.org/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=2266075) for details of this important strategic document.
* The meeting had the special participation of Adiel Akploga, AFRINIC CEO, Pierre Dandjinou, Global Stakeholder Engagement Vice President for Africa, AFRALO and ALAC leaders.

APRALO

* APRALO held its monthly meeting on [Wednesday, 15 October](#_LACRALO_held_its). One of the highlights if the meeting was the discussion of the[APRALO - ICANN APAC HUB PILOT FRAMEWORK document](https://community.icann.org/display/APRALO/APRALO+-+ICANN+APAC+HUB+PILOT+FRAMEWORK)*.* This document was prepared jointly by APRALO members and the staff of the Asia Global Stakeholder Engagement office. The strategy has identified specific focus areas and synergies between APRALO and the ICANN APAC Hub and has determined key priorities and initiatives to improve the participation of civil society in ICANN’s Regional Strategies.
* Another highlight was the participation of APNIC’s Representative, [Pablo Hinojosa](http://www.apnic.net/events/apnic-speakers/pablo-hinojosa) who gave an update on the results of the cooperation agreement between APRALO and APNIC. This agreement is already bringing some concrete results such as: A Webinar was held for APRALO with the participation of a leading policy expert from APTLD, participation of APRALO members as presenters in APNIC’s meetings, APRALO activities being featured in APNIC’s newsletters, etc.

LACRALO

* LACRALO held its monthly meeting on [Tuesday, 14 October 2014](#_LACRALO_held_its)**.** LACRALO members discussed, among other issues, implementation of recommendations of the ATLAS II Summit, performance metrics and subsequent recommendations for LACRALO ALses.
* The meeting also counted with the participation of [Rodrigo De la Parra](http://icannwiki.com/index.php/Rodrigo_de_la_Parra), VP for Latin America and Caribbean and Rodrigo Saucedo, Project Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean with an update on the Latin American and Caribbean Regional Strategy and Synergies with LACRALO. Two LACRALO members have led a very important project, the Communications project, which is one of the five pilot programs being carried out by GSE in the region. There is a Portfolio of 35 – 40- additional projects in which the participation of LACRALO ALSes will be requested.

NARALO

* NARALO held its monthly meeting on [Wednesday, 15 October](#_LACRALO_held_its) . The meeting had the participation of Chris Mondini and Joe Catapano of the North American Global Stakeholder Engagement GSE. They discussed issues such as strategic engagement of civil society in North America and further opportunities for collaboration.
* NARALO held an Outreach event with the theme **“Our Internet, Our Stories, Our network – First Nations of the World”**. This theme followed up on the recent efforts of NARALO to engage first nations and native communities in the North American region in the internet eco-system. The meeting was well attended by members of the At Large community and other ICANN’s constituencies and general public attending the ICANN meeting. See [NARALO Outreach Event](http://www.atlarge.icann.org/naralo/los-angeles51-outreach.htm)for more details.

Other RALO meetings at ICANN 51

• The RALOs also met informally with David Olive, VP for Policy Development, in the RALO Leadership & ALT Working Breakfast. This meeting gave the opportunity to RALO leaders to debrief other At large members on the meeting held earlier in the week with ICANN’s President and CEO Fadi Chehade and other ICANN executives brainstorm and continue discussions on strategic actions to leverage civil society’s participation in ICANN and in the Internet eco-system in general.

• RALO leaders held the customary At-Large Regional Leadership Meeting. This meeting focused on cross-RALO issues such as the actions taken by RALOs to implement ATLAS II Recommendations, the status of performance metrics across RALOs and ALSes, Metrics Expectations and Requirements, as well as recent actions to increase engagement and cooperation agreements with Regional Internet Registries (RIRs).

#### Incoming ALAC and At-Large Leaders

* As it was the Annual General Meeting, the ALAC and At-Large had several leadership changes:
  + Incoming ALAC Chair
* Alan Greenberg
* 2015 ALAC Leadership Team
  + - Tijani Ben Jemaa – Vice Chair (AFRALO)
    - Holly Raiche (APRALO)
    - Olivier Crépin-Leblond – Vice Chair (EURALO)
    - León Sanchez (LACRALO)
    - Alan Greenberg – Chair (NARALO)
  + Incoming ALAC Members:
    - Tijani Ben Jemaa (AFRALO) – returning
    - Holly Raiche (APRALO) – returning
    - Vanda Scartezini (LARALO) – elected
    - Jimmy Schulz (NomCom Selectee from Europe)
    - Sandra Hoferichter (EURALO) – returning
    - Alan Greenberg (NomCom Selectee from North America) - returning
    - Glenn McKnight (NARALO) – elected)
  + Incoming RALO Officers
    - Barrack Otieno (AFRALO) - Secretary
    - Garth Bruen (NARALO) – Chair – returning
    - Evan Leibovitch (NARALO) - Secretary
* 2015 ALAC Liaisons
  + ccNSO: Maureen Hilyard
  + GNSO: Cheryl Langdon-Orr
  + NCSG: Evan Leibovitch
  + SSAC: Julie Hammer
  + .mobi: Murray McKercher

**Communications**

The ICANN 51 week was a key period for At-Large to connect with their audiences on social media. During ICANN 51, At-Large staff and community members sent 106 tweets (75% of content contribution) and received 261 retweets (86% of interaction).  Also, working with Communications, a [blog](https://www.icann.org/news/blog/icann51-day-two-at-large-alac-at-icann-51) on At-Large was prepared.