

TERRI AGNEW: Good morning, good afternoon and good evening. This is the At-Large Regional Secretariat's meeting on Wednesday the 24th of September 2014 at 19:00 UTC.

On the call today we have Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Garth Bruen, Wolf Ludwig, Siranush Vardanyan, Humberto Carrasco, Glenn McKnight, and Aziz Hilali.

We have apologies from Alberto Soto and Satish Babu.

From staff, we have Heidi Ulrich, Silvia Vivanco, Gisella Gruber, Kathy Schnitt; and myself, Terri Agnew.

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

GARTH BRUEN: Thank you very much. This is Garth Bruen, NARALO chair, chairing the Secretariat's meeting for this upcoming Los Angeles ICANN meeting. I just wanted to let you know that because I have a slight delay on the Adigo, just feel free to speak up if you need to speak up, if you can't raise your hand within Adigo because I may – there's a little bit of a lag in hearing a response when I talk.

Okay. So going over the agenda, the first item is the agenda for the upcoming meeting. And if everybody opens that link we can quickly go over what is anticipated for the two main events for Secretariats and

Leadership which are the RALO Leadership ALT Working Breakfast between 7:00 am and 8:15 am on Wednesday 15th of October, and then the At-Large regional meeting which is from 12:30 to 2:00 in the afternoon or 14:00 on that same day.

And according to what we have for the morning session for the working breakfast, we have introductions and the aim of the meeting, we have the discussion with David Olive, and then we have RALOs and metrics and then the next steps. There has been quite a bit of discussion back and forth today to catch up on concerning our meeting with David Olive. Now, is that directly related to – I see that there are e-mails from David Olive about the round table – is that directly related to the round table?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Olivier, do you want [inaudible] otherwise? Olivier? If you're speaking, you're on mute.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I have to unmute myself is the first thing. The second thing was I had to empty my mouth because I'm having dinner at the same time.

WOLF LUDWIG: Bon appétit.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yup. Thank you, Wolf. Merci. So the round table, I think it's on the Tuesday evening. And that's just a round table with the RALO chairs

speaking to Fadi. And the reason why it's only the RALO chairs is for people to be able to interact with him. It's only one hour and Fadi wanted to basically have a one-on-one discussion with five people around him rather than having ten which makes it a much larger table if you got ten people rather than five.

The next day there is a breakfast which has the RALO chairs and the secretariat. That will be more the order of business and we'll be discussing not only issues with David Olive, but we'll also I think be concentrating on the metrics and finding out the different perceptions and the different works that's been done in all of the RALOs, and of course all of that is on the [inaudible].

GARTH BRUEN: Okay.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So that's why there's a difference between the two. And if the RALO chairs want to relate to everyone what their feeling was about the night before then they're very welcome to do that to the wider group. But the key to the discussion with Fadi – if you recall there had already been a meeting of RALO chairs and secretariats and so on and it was felt there was a little too many people there. So on this occasion, there'll just be the chairs. Five people plus – okay, I'll be standing in the background or something and I think that also Fadi will be able to address and ask questions to each one of you and basically find out what's on your mind. That's it.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. So then the meeting with David Olive is going to cover more specifically what we've already got listed for that breakfast?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: That's correct, Garth. I'm sorry for cutting you there. I just remembered one more thing. I know that one of our chairs doesn't speak English very well, speaks Spanish, and so we'll have Sylvia at hand to be able to do some simultaneous interpretation there.

Another is primarily a French speaker. And as you know, Fadi speaks French very well, so then when he speaks with them they'll probably speak in French. Or even in Arabic – who knows? We'll have some more languages there in front of us. That's it. Thanks.

GARTH BRUEN: Is this Alberto who [inaudible] Spanish?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Yeah. Alberto in Spanish and Aziz for French.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. That's fine. I'm sure we can accommodate and we're used to doing that. We're all very accommodating.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Sorry. But I can understand English.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: No. Alberto.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: I can speak a little bit.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Alberto Soto.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Alberto Soto is cannot speak English very well, just to be clear.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, that's correct. And so that's what I meant. Alberto Soto is the chair of LACRALO and so Sylvia will be around or will be there to help him out. I think that Fadi speaks a little bit of Spanish, as well. That'll be a good chance for him to practice. Muy bien. Gracias.

GARTH BRUEN: We will all help. Okay. We have also for that agenda the first item is "Introductions and Aim of the Meeting." Is there something specific for the aim or is it still metrics or other items? We got to understand what we're talking about when we say what the aim of the meeting is. Olivier, any idea?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Can you hear me?

GARTH BRUEN: Yes.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Oh, okay. Thank you, Garth. By aim of the meeting, I gather you mean the breakfast the next day. And in the breakfast the next day, I will just be explaining a little bit of where we are going with regards to the – I think I'm not going to explain anything. I'm going to ask, basically, where we're going with regards to the re-writes of the Rules of Procedures for each one of the RALOs, find out where everyone is.

If you recall, during the time of the ALAC Rules of Procedures there was a hope that the RALOs would be able to agree with each other and have some kind of alignment in procedures and things and it would be a good chance to discuss this then face to face. Then also to look at the rules of procedures – sorry, to look at the metrics progress which goes from the ALT to the ALAC members to the RALO leaders to the ALSes and see basically how we're going to integrate all of these together and basically find out if we can produce some metrics that are not going to be overly constricted for everyone, but at the same time they will really introduce accountability among our whole membership amongst us, amongst all of us basically.

The whole thing about accountability, the whole process that is now launching in ICANN about ICANN accountability is looking at the Board, is looking at ICANN staff, is looking at ICANN the organization, and it

would really set a good precedent to also look at the volunteers because – and especially in At-Large. I think if we have metric that show how dedicated we are, and we can put this in the face of anyone who says, “Well, you guys are just in for travelling around and stuff,” that would definitely be a good step forward for us. And I think that at the same time it will show a good example for other SOs and ACs to do something similar and show that they’re also doing their best. And ultimately, this can all show that ICANN’s components communities are really working hard and are the unsung heroes of this whole organization.

That’s the overall aim I think. Where we get, how we get to it, when we get to it, that’s one which you’re going to be in-charge of. So that’s what I hope we’ll be able to discuss when we meet face to face in Los Angeles. I think I spoke too much now, so thanks.

GARTH BRUEN:

Okay. I appreciate the clarification and hopefully we can maybe put some of those bullet points into the agenda itself here to say that the aim of the meeting is going to be RALO business. It’s going to be about metrics, it’s going to be about Rules of Procedures, it’s going to be about enhancing the accountability within.

Is David Olive – is his portion of this going to be around those discussions, as well? Is that why he’s part of this?

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Thank you for this, Garth. David Olive is the Vice President for Policy.

GARTH BRUEN: Yes.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: And so all of the work that is done for policy development is all under David's wing. At-Large is actually I think is almost entirely under David's budget and David's wing because we are one of the policy making and policy development sub-components of ICANN. So I think it's great to have him there because we can also tap him and find out basically how they, as in the policy department, how all of the work that we do can be more integrated in all of ICANN and maybe having him there will – he will ask questions. I don't know what questions he'll ask, but that might actually help us think about the way forward as far as our metrics, as far as our rules of procedures are concerned, as far as all of that is concerned.

I haven't spoken to David yet about what he's going to speak about specifically. Of course, I'm sure he's going to have also some questions to ask.

What usually happens is on Friday morning the At-Large Leadership Team has some time with David Olive and is able to speak to him and ask him questions and grill him effectively, which is what we try and do. On this occasion it was felt that maybe it's not always the same that the Leadership Team because we understand that most people are gone by Friday morning. They're either on their way to the airport or they've already left the night before, and so would be a good opportunity for RALO leaders to engage in this.

And I wanted to add one more thing. So far I think the RALOs have done very well in outreach, in getting more volunteers involved and so on. There really is a wish that I would like to see is to actually have more RALO involvement in policy and in the policy discussions.

I know some RALOs are a little bit ahead of others and they may be able to share best practices with others in saying, "This is how we do it and this is what we managed to achieve with things." Maybe the way that they've run their conference call has brought more people in. I know some of the RALOs have actually have some working groups, policy-related working groups or even topic-based working groups which they've experimented with, and that again flows over with the policy and with the way that we're doing all this bottom-up from the edges all the way to our statements.

So when you say, "Oh yeah, let's have a list of the things that we should be talking about," I think it's a pretty open breakfast meeting. It will be pretty informal. We're not there for the transcript record and all that. There is no transcript record at breakfast, so we'll just be discussing things. And I think it'll be a good time for you to ask any questions you have about policy and for David to ask questions to ask about how this is all working at RALO level, etc. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN:

Okay. Thank you, Olivier. Yeah. I just want to be able to put some ideas into the leadership mindset so they know what to bring with them. Glenn, you have your hand up. Please go ahead. Take the floor.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Great. Thank you. Can you hear me? Hello?

GARTH BRUEN: Yes.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. My impression of this meeting was that we would have some time for each our RALOs to sort of give us synopsis of what has worked, what hasn't worked, share best practices, and I don't see it in this agenda. I guess I had the delusion that what I thought we would do, as well. So I just want to throw that out to the group.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you, Glenn. I think Olivier sort of alluded to this maybe not [inaudible] in terms of sharing success stories from the regions and I think that we can maybe add on to the bullet point to the agenda, maybe have a 1.1 or 1.2, etc. Not to formalize the meeting so much but rather just to give people some ideas of what they should be bringing with them to the discussion.

Then we also have – the next item is on there is the RALOs and the metrics. Is Maureen on the call yet? Were we able to reach her?

TERRI AGNEW: We were not able to reach her.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Alright. We'll come back to that. So if nobody else has anything else they want to discuss about the breakfast, we can move on to the agenda for the afternoon meeting which would begin at 12:30 on it.

Yes, please, Heidi?

HEIDI ULRICH: Yes. Just really quickly to echo what Olivier said.

GARTH BRUEN: Go ahead, Heidi.

HEIDI ULRICH: Thank you. That David is really being there in order to just to get to know the RALO leadership similar to how he meets with the ALT on Friday. So this is something, a first attempt to see if this approach works. And Olivier said it's very informal. Bring your questions to him and he will I think just look forward to meeting you and hearing what some of your issues are. As Olivier said, continue the discussions that went on with the community, a round table with Fadi the night before. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Very good. Alright. So then we have starting at 12:30 in the same room, the agenda as listed is implementation of ATLAS II recommendations, performance and metrics, main cross-RALO items which include update of ROP, APRALO Rules of Procedure version for

2013, and then At-Large Ad-Hoc Working Group on the transition of U.S. government stewardship of the IANA function, the RALO RIR activities – sort of the regional registries which include ARIN, LACNIC, APNIC, AfriNIC, and RIPE. The European one is called RIPE. There is no NIC in RIPE. And then the CROPP program and then finally any other business.

In terms of the first item, the implementation of ATLAS II recommendations, actions taken by RALOs. So where are we in terms of actually implementing ATLAS II recommendations? What are the ATLAS II recommendations and where could we find them? I think Olivier might be best suited to answer that question. Any comments, Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Garth. If you look at the agenda there is a link there that goes over to a page, a post ATLAS II activities workspace. That page has a long table which shows all of the recommendations that were contained in the ATLAS II declaration.

Just to give you a summary, the Board has come back already after looking through the recommendations and said, “Well look, these recommendations are very nice but many of them are pretty dry and they are general. Are you going to come back to us with an expanded set of recommendations?” In other words, taking recommendation one would you be [rating] that recommendation? Would you then be going further and expanding it and telling us exactly what we have to do? Because that’s how the Board works. They want to have recommendations that tells them, “Well, the ALAC wants this, this, this and that,” or “The Board should do this, this, this, and that.” And then

the Board can consider this and say, "Right. We agree with doing this. We don't agree with doing that."

But saying something like, "Do something," to the Board, the Board will not respond to that because they don't know what it is that we want them to do. So we effectively have to spell out what our recommendations say and in some cases they have to be focused, in some cases they have to be expanded. In some ways, there are some things that we have to do ourselves.

The recommendations which are listed on the agenda are recommendations 28, 29, 42, and 43. So scrolling down there at number 28, it says, "The ALAC should work with all RALOs and ALSes to map the current expertise and interests in their membership to identify subject matter experts and facilitate policy communication."

That one is a recommendation that's pretty explicit. That's aimed at the ALAC and it was therefore then found out that the people to expect this recommendation to actually implement it would be the ALAC in consultation with the RALOs as the recommendation asks for. So it really is down to the RALOs to speak to each other, and I gather to also speak to the ALAC and say, "How are we going to map the current expertise and interests in our membership?" And ultimately, the RALOs could send – either design a survey for their members or do something. I would say a survey would be probably a good suggestion, but not something that is ten pages in length.

On the one hand, we have some knowledge about the interests of our membership by the surveys that were sent for ATLAS II. So that already

provides the basis for some data. But then as far as current expertise is concerned, that might be something that we don't have full data for and we might wish to ask our ALSes this.

Ultimately, the reason for this recommendation is that it's well understood by many, since we all discussed this during ATLAS II. It's well understood that our volunteers are overwhelmed with e-mails, overwhelmed with stuff that doesn't relate to them at all. I might be just interested in subject XYZ. Why do I keep on receiving tons and tons of e-mail about subject ABC? Of course, no one knows that I'm only interested in subject XYZ. But if the ALAC and if the RALOs were aware that was interested only in subject XYZ, then in the future – and I'm hoping that we can do that in the near future – we would be able to cater on topical basis, cater for our ALSes and get the ALSes to receive on the one hand general messages that affect all ALSes and, on the other hand, messages that they only have a knowledge in. Therefore, an ALS would only have e-mails regarding topic XYZ.

Furthermore, one of the possible recommendations or [inaudible] recommendations moving forward is that not only would the 50-member ALAC plus the ten members of the RALO leaders be traveling to meetings, what we are suggesting is that on occasion, there would be topic matter leaders from ALSes that would be invited to come to the meeting.

For example, at the moment, the Accountability Track is starting. The IANA Stewardship Transition is starting. We might have some members of those working groups that are extremely knowledgeable about these two topics that are going to be star topics at the LA meeting. Wouldn't it

be great to know that they have so much knowledge that they are topic experts in this? Wouldn't it be great to actually be able to bring them to LA and have them help us with the work that we have in LA regarding this work?

At the moment it's not possible but in the future it should be. So the first step is to identify the current expertise and the interest of the membership and then we'll go with the next. But that's just an example on number 28.

I'm not going to go through all three that we have here. There's 29, 42, and 43. These sort of things the ALAC should implement and also make an automated system for tracking topics of interest. I've just alluded to this.

42 and 43 again is: "ICANN should enable annual face-to-face RALO assemblies," and 43, "RALOs4 should encourage inactive ALS representatives to comply with ALAC minimum participation requirements."

Really, it's down to implementation and I'd like to leave it to you to see how you can move this forward. Of course, if you need any help or guidance, staff is at hand and I'd be a hand. And of course, we've got the ATLAS II Implementation Team that is at hand if you need to be given a bit of guidance on how to proceed with this. Thanks.

GARTH BRUEN:

Okay. That's actually very helpful, Olivier. Thank you. Humberto, tiene. Una pregunta. Por favor, Humberto.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Your Spanish is perfect. Su español está perfecto.

More than a question. I would like to comment about this recommendation because in the last LACRALO meeting that we have one week ago, we decided to – actually, the members of LACRALO decided that the leader of our region should create some working group or task force in order to implement all these recommendations. Particularly I have to say that we have been working very hard in implementing number 43, which is relating at some point with metrics. And I think that in a couple of weeks more, or honestly I think maybe in the next one or two months we are going to have a proposal related to these topics.

But in any case, I want to see that. We are going to need some help from everybody here, particularly about to implementing the number 20 and [29]. That's all. Thank you very much.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you. Does anyone else, any of the other leaders have any comments on what's been discussed so far? No? Okay. We will continue through the agenda. I will work on [inaudible], Olivier, now that we have some idea. Are we going to be expected to come out of this meeting with really specific recommendations for the Board?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Effectively, the recommendations for the board are being taken care of by the working groups to whom they were allocated to. That's one set

of recommendations. The ones that we have here, the four that we have here, don't directly involve the Board. Maybe when it comes down to the implementation of an automated system then we will have to finally ask for financing and so on to take place. But to start with, we just have to work with ourselves and put together a set of recommendations and implement them, and basically just take it as a first step. I don't think we should be too concerned about the Board at the very moment.

Of course, as you know, many of us are also members of working groups so we will be involved with working on other recommendations as part of the working group and some of the working groups will have to produce recommendations for the Board. The timeline is much shorter. In fact, for most of these working groups, the timeline would be to have a first pass at the recommendation before Los Angeles.

For the RALOs, I think that the work can really start properly in LA. It may be good to already start [taking] ideas around. I'm very happy to hear Humberto Carrasco having mentioned that LACRALO is already working on this and has started a working group. I don't know what the best way is for this work to take place. And RALOs, whether you want to form a task force between RALOs or whether you want to each work in your own RALO. That's something I leave to you to self-organize.

GARTH BRUEN:

Okay. Maureen is not here and she's been the champion of the metrics. Is there anyone else on the call willing or informed enough on the metrics work to discuss it? Or should we hold it for another time?

Okay. We can move on then.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Garth, come again?

GARTH BRUEN: Main cross-RALO items. Yes, go ahead. Olivier, please.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Garth. On the metrics – I happen to be on the Metrics Subcommittee discussion a few hours earlier than now. Two things. First, I'm not sure anyone has told you, but Maureen Hilyard is currently at a conference in the Cook Islands. So she's actually offline for the next couple of days and is unable to take part in the calls. So she has sent her apologies for that.

But with regards to the metrics, the idea – I think I've already touched on earlier – is to have metrics that will look at ALT members, ALAC members, RALO leaders, and ALSes that will really bring accountability among the whole line and that will effectively...

I mean, we discussed the term “return on investment” and it's not a return on investment. There's no such thing as an investment as such. I guess accountability is probably the right word to describe it. That once somebody gets elected in a position, then they need to really do something and not just sit there. If they don't do what they were elected for in that position, they really are letting some people down.

It's not good for the overall state of At-Large to have people that let others down. It brings bad blood. It brings unhappiness from others, and obviously it puts more load on others. That's really how it goes.

The first step is the metrics to find out how everyone's doing. We're not talking about big brother, of course, but what we're talking about is being able to really find out if somebody is really lacking. Having the ability to say, "Look. You've missed nine out of ten meetings this year (or the past six months). What in the world are you doing?"

There are already procedures for suspending people or for warning them and whatever. But it's just that we don't have an actual process for collecting the data. We have informal processes, but that brings a lot of weight on staff and they're unreliable. One could always say that if you have informal processes for tracking such lack of attendance and things like that, then you might not have everyone being treated fairly because somebody might be seen as not taking part. Someone else might be even forgotten about and not even targeted as not taking part. So really, we should all have some measures and some metrics about what we do and things.

I'm just adlibbing at the moment, by the way. But that's the general gist of it. Being able to advance all of this as all the way from ALSes all the way up to the ALAC chair, because I think the ALAC chair has to be subjected to metrics as well, then that will definitely improve not only the work of our representatives but at the same time, I think it will certainly stimulate ALSes, existing ALSes, and new ALSes to participate because they see that we are a serious structure and we really take into

account their work and there's more recognition of the work that is done at the grass-root level. That's the basic idea. Thank you.

Now just one last thing. Sorry to say, one last thing. The Metrics Working Group has a set of recommendations and I believe that they will be able to present them by the LA meeting. I think that there is a time for them to be able to present that. That's it. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN:

Okay. Thank you, Olivier. My personal take on this is that as leaders within At-Large, we have a responsibility to highlight the work that is done by our At-Large structures and give them an opportunity to showcase and make better use of their existing work. I think that everybody's here because they're a volunteer to a certain extent and we're already doing wonderful work within our own communities. What we really want and what we really need is an opportunity to make that existing work more effective.

I think in terms of getting metrics, the metrics have to be enabled in a way that people are allowed to place their existing work within the At-Large community for the best outcome and get their reporting there. It's got to be more about showing up for meetings, and doing I guess what is the ALAC work. It's also got to be about the community work. If we can figure out how to do that – and I have some ideas on how we can do that that I will be happy to discuss in LA – I think that that would be best. That's just my personal take.

So moving on, we also have ROP updates from LACRALO and AFRALO. I think that we discussed these during the last meeting and I believe that

we also discussed the APRALO Rules of Procedure update for 2014. Anybody is certainly welcome to discuss that. I think that we've had a good overview of those. We don't have to go in to them again here unless somebody really, really wants to. So unless there are any [inaudible] move on. Humberto, por favor.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Thank you very much. I just want to comment that you are right. We have a very good review at the last meeting. We want to say, we are still working about this in the working group of governance, but we don't have final [inaudible] at this moment. When we have it, we are going to be happy to tell it to everybody. That's all. Thank you very much.

GARTH BRUEN: Humberto, will this be a part of your LACRALO session?

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Well, actually, it's not really part of our LACRALO session because we have these working groups so we have session meetings with a member of these groups In order to advance I think in parallel to LACRALO sessions.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO: Is that fine?

GARTH BRUEN: Yes. That's fine.

Silvia has placed in to the chat that the AFRALO ROP Working Group will meet again on Friday the 26th. Silvia, that's this Friday the 26th, I'm assuming?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes. Just to update you that they will meet this Friday to continue their work. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you. You still have your hand up. Do you have a new comment? [inaudible] step over to the next topic which is the At-Large Ad Hoc Working Group on the Transition of U.S. Government Stewardship of the IANA Function. This is linked within the agenda. So, this is an ad hoc working group. Now is this formalized – this group? Who's the chair at the moment of this Ad Hock working group? Interim chair is Olivier, and there are a number of people working group.

Olivier, you have your hand up, but we've been unable to hear you if you're trying to speak.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, thanks very much, Garth. Can you hear me?

GARTH BRUEN: Yes, we can hear you now.

Olivier Crépin-Leblond: Okay, excellent. Thank you. You were asking about the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Transition of U.S. Government Stewardship of the IANA Function. I'm not quite sure what you wanted to know about that.

Ultimately, the working group itself is feeding the two representatives that we have on the IANA Coordinating Group, which is this multi-stakeholder group of people from the IETF, from the Internet Society, from other parts of ICANN as well, but also from the International Chamber of Commerce etc. That's the group that will collect the proposals from the operational communities that make up the contracts of the IANA functions. So, we're dealing here with names, protocol parameters, and IP addresses.

That committee has, as I said, two members from At-Large and they are Mohamed El Bahir and Jean-Jacques Subrenat. The Ad Hoc Working Group on the Transition of U.S. Government Stewardship of the IANA Function is our own At-Large working group that effectively provides all of the background and work and points that are key representatives on the coordinating group have to push forward. In effect, they're backyard effectively in doing all this.

The function of that Ad Hoc Working Group is to also work on the cross-community working group that will be putting together a proposal for the names portion of the IANA contract. As you know, the GNSO (the Generic Name Supporting Organization), and the Country Code Name

Supporting Organization, these two are dealing with the names and they have the contract with IANA. Those contracts will be under review.

There's going to be a proposal that will work with this. Also, I think with some measure of accountability that will also be thrown in and that cross-community working group has four – I'm now speaking about this cross-community working group, which charter has been done, has space for five people from At-Large.

This is where you will have seen the e-mails that I have sent to the Secretariat list asking for each one of the RALOs to suggest one person to go in to that cross-community working group. I have asked that the candidate be taken from the list of members that we currently have because these are the members that are working on the IANA stewardship transition and that's closely related with the Coordinating Group on one side and the cross community working group on the other. We need to make use of people that are already knowledgeable about these things.

Currently, all RALOs have now provided their recommended candidates. The only one that hasn't is NARALO, Garth. So, you've got the list in front of you here. I don't know whether you have spoken to any of the candidates yet whether they wish to be on that cross-community working group, but I'll leave it to you. Just to remind you though – actually no, there's nothing to remind you. I'm looking at the whole list and they all look fine. I would suggest that you have a chat with them and find out who wishes to be on that cross-community working group.

Those recommendations will then go over to the Ad Hoc Working Group who will forward them to the ALAC, because as you know, any appointment of people on cross-community working groups is on by the ALAC and I guess that the ALAC will just be asked for a consensus call to be able to fit those people in the cross-community working group.

I hope I wasn't too long-winded on this. Thanks for the ability to explain this.

TERRI AGNEW: Thank you, Olivier. Garth, we're unable to hear you at this time if you're speaking.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Is that any better? For some reason, I think Adobe reset itself.

TERRI AGNEW: Much better. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN: I'm going to turn my speakers off. No. I'm going to leave my speakers on. Okay. Back to the agenda. Thank you very much, Olivier for the explanations.

The RALO RIR activities. And this covers coordination and agreements between the RALOs and their respective regional Internet IP registries. This would be ARIN for North America, LACNIC for Latin America, APNIC for APRALO, RIPE for EURALO, and AfriNIC for AFRALO. Now if memory

serves me, LACRALO has a memorandum of understanding with LACNIC, and that some of the other regions all have memorandums of understanding.

Wolf, you have a comment. Please go ahead.

WOLF LUDWIG: Yes. Well, it was on our work program to follow this up with RIPE entity for the European region, but we had another urgency in between that was for the MoU between RIPE, [inaudible] EuroDIG, but was much more essential for EuroDIG than it actually pressing for EURALO. Therefore, we followed the first priority on EuroDIG and postponed the one for EURALO. But I will follow up with RIPE [inaudible] in Los Angeles if we find an appropriate moment there or afterwards with this. This means on the regional level in Europe and at the bases of EuroDIG we are closely working with RIPE [entity] already and RIPE [entity] became an institutional partner in the meantime for the next EuroDIG in Sofia, Bulgaria. That's it for the moment.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you very much, Wolf. Siranush has noted in the chat that APRALO has an MoU with APNIC.

In my region in North America, we have [inaudible] have met with ARIN at ICANN meetings. We have no formal agreements and we don't have any particular concrete plans to have formal agreements with them. It's not that it's out of the question or something that we wouldn't consider. Within our region, there isn't necessarily a specific consensus

[inaudible] for having closer relationships with ARIN. It's definitely something that we're exploring. I think that there is definitely room for cooperation such their relationship with their regional NIC.

Glenn, please?

GLENN MCKNIGHT:

Thank you. I was at the last ARIN meeting. Unfortunately, the next ARIN meeting's going to be the same time as our meeting [inaudible] Baltimore. We're all going to be out in California. The gentleman, [Carrie Brown], expressed interest in being our go between. He's been to, two at least, ARIN sessions. He knows the lay of the land as well.

From my experience at the last ARIN meeting, very similar feel as being at the IETF, same kind of very technical not all that interested in ICANN, even though there was four ICANN staff there at the meeting which was kind of interesting. I think I can explore this.

If I can get copies of the MoUs from other areas, I'm sure we can follow this up and probably have a little bit of an update at the secretariat meeting when we meet together face to face.

GARTH BRUEN:

Thank you, Glenn. While we're talking about this, what would you say would be the benefit of RALO having a relationship with ARIN?

GLENN MCKNIGHT: My view is they have some very good processes from being at the meeting. I think there's some really good people that are technical that we can draw upon as subject matter experts. Hopefully, some of them getting involved.

ARIN almost has the same geographical locations as NARALO but some different ones. They have the Caribbean, which we don't have. I think there's some excellent contacts and potential ALSes that can come out of it. But just the subject matter experts, to me, it's a really, really great organization. I think it will be great to have an MoU.

The question is it's just sparking the right interest with in the ARIN group. Fortunately, I know the former chair was Paul Andersen who was the chair of CIRA's board. Also Tim Denton, I know quite well. I think we can get a pretty good, warm reception if we just propose something but we haven't. I think it's worth looking in to. Back to you.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you, Glenn. In short, we could learn from them. I think that that's a good answer.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: I think you've got a good suggestion. We haven't done it. I'm not sure why we haven't done it, but the other RALOs have done it, and kudos to them. I think if we can up our game, we should do it ourselves. But if the MoUs can be shared with us, Garth, perhaps we can get acting on it right away.

GARTH BRUEN: Yes. [They have] public documents. I see that Silvia has already sent them to you.

Olivier, you have your hand up. Go ahead.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Glenn.

GARTH BRUEN: You may be muted, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I'm here. Okay. It's Olivier speaking.

GARTH BRUEN: Go ahead. We can hear you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: You can hear me. Thank you. Effectively, I think a couple more things can be done with the RIRs.

The first thing is that we've seen some convergence with the IANA stewardship transition, and it's interesting to be part of the discussions in the ARIN, and in all the RIRs actually, and find out what the plans are in those places.

And then also, I do understand that for some RIRs – and I don't know whether it's the case with ARIN – they are sponsors of Internet

Governance Forum, a local Internet Governance Forum. It would be good if perhaps some kind of sponsorship might be achieved for one or two or a handful of people from At-Large to be funded to go to these Internet governance forum.

That's definitely something that's happened in other RIRs. I think in Asia it has happened. So, it's also an opportunity to look at.

I'm afraid I have to run. I have another meeting immediately after this one and I don't want to keep everyone waiting, so I'll have to go now. Thank you.

GARTH BRUEN: That's fine, Olivier. I think we were [inaudible]. Okay. The next item deals with the CROPP program. Is anybody prepared to discuss their CROPP experiences? [inaudible] has made use of the CROPP. I know that Glenn has made use of the CROPP in our region. Maybe some folks who have used CROPP in their own region would be willing to share their experiences. Wolf, please go ahead.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks, Garth. For the first pilot CROPP program, early this year we applied for five people to attend EuroDIG in June, in Berlin. Those applications were approved and the people were supported to come and join EuroDIG 2014 in Berlin. I have seen them there. But I don't know. I am not currently informed about any follow-up on this. Whether these people who attended EuroDIG by support of ICANN have

submitted reports on their attendance etc., or whether there's more obligations afterwards involved.

If it's just to attend a meeting, then I must say I wouldn't be so much convinced about the utility of such programs. This should, in my opinion, encourage some more commitment by the people to do something afterwards out of it and not just attending a meeting. Because attending a meeting, this is easily done if you are supported, but if there are no concrete consequences out of such a support program, I'm not sure as I would really promote it in a second step.

As we all know, CROPP was reconfirmed to continue in future, but I think there should be some criteria in the support guidelines that people have to deliver something afterwards and not just hopping to another conference. Thanks. This is my personal opinion, by the way, for the record.

TERRI AGNEW: Garth, we're unable to hear you again.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Yeah. Terri, can you hear me?

GARTH BRUEN: For some reason, my Adobe keeps resetting. I don't know.

TERRI AGNEW: You're back, Garth. Thank you and Glenn.

GARTH BRUEN: Go ahead, Glenn.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. Just from our experience with NARALO we tried to suggest the conferences that they're aligned with our outreach, particularly to groups that are underrepresented geographically as well as particularly the two groups we tried to focus on in FY 14. Can you hear me?

GARTH BRUEN: Yes.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. Two groups in particular we are looking at outreaching is the disabled and the native-American and native-Canadian groups. But we also are conscious of the fact that a number of our ALSes are not from certain sections such as American Samoa or certain parts of the United States or Canada, so those are special efforts.

Now, I could speak for myself from attending – very, very strongly outreach in nature, very much getting on the podium, we were on a [radio] interview, we made an effort to speak to audiences and to really get to know the organizers so that the impact was quite high.

Again, this focus is outreach. To be crass, it's marketing. It's not education. If people go to a conference and sit there and talk to their friends, they've missed the boat. This is clearly marketing and outreach,

looking at your marketing strategy, and getting out there and actually making an effort of getting brochures and talking to potential ALSes. That's my experience. Back to you, Garth.

GARTH BRUEN: Okay. Thank you very much, Glenn. Any other interesting CROPP viewpoints? Okay.

Siranush has a comment in the chat about [pakinet] which is the first chance for AP to use CROPP programs. We're looking forward to hearing about the experience from participants. Great.

The next item is any other business, I believe. Hold on. Post ATLAS II activities which we've already discussed.

Before I close this meeting up, is there anything else anyone wishes to discuss?

No. Okay. Seeing no, I will consider this call closed. I thank everybody for their time and appreciate all the input. I will talk to you in LA. I guess, right? We have no other plans for another call, correct?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes. This is correct. But I see Glenn would like to speak. He has his hand raised.

GARTH BRUEN: Glenn, please go ahead.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Just on the issue that I brought up earlier about ARIN. Garth, we haven't had a chance to chat about it, so if you have a couple of minutes after this call if it's convenient just to follow up with ARIN.

GARTH BRUEN: Yeah, go ahead. We'll talk afterwards.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: I don't want to hold everybody up here, so, I can call you after the call.

GARTH BRUEN: That's what I'm saying. You and I will talk after the call.

GLENN MCKNIGHT: Okay. Thank you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you everyone. Have a great day.

GARTH BRUIN: Bye, bye, everybody.

TERRI AGNEW: Once again, this meeting has been adjourned. Thank you very much for joining. Please remember to disconnect all remaining lines.

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