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TERRI AGNEW: Good morning, good afternoon and good evening. Welcome to the At-Large Community Regional Outreach Pilot Program Review Team, CROPP Review Team, taking place on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2015 at 18:00 UTC. On the call today we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Dev Anand Teelucksingh, Yuliya Morenets, Alan Greenberg, Wolf Ludwig and Cheryl Langdon-Orr. I show apologies from Juan Manuel Rojas, Fatima Seye Sylla, Allan Skuce and Oksana Prykhodko.

From staff we have Silvia Vivanco, Ian Worthington, sitting in for Joe Catapano, as well as Janice Douma Lange 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, Dev.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you Terri. This is Dev, Chair of the CROPP Review Team, and on this call today we're looking primarily at using CROPP for travel to ICANN face-to-face meetings. This possibility of using CROPP to travel to ICANN face-to-face meetings has just come up, and I think it's important for us to really get some consensus on this, especially if we wish to apply it for the ICANN face-to-face Argentina, which is in June. We'll also be reviewing the CROPP applications. So far, I believe EURALO's the only one that has pending CROPP proposals for us to review. Then there's Any Other Business if we want to discuss any other topics.

Everyone's okay with that Agenda? Okay. Let's proceed with the main Agenda Item, which is using CROPP for travel to ICANN face-to-face

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meetings. I've prepared some slides here. Okay, I've put the links to the three main links of things you need to know about CROPP, in terms of the At-Large CROPP Wiki, where the draft CROPP proposals are and the approved CROPP proposals. To use CROPP to attend ICANN face-to-face meetings, there were three key benefits identified for outreach via CROPP.

One was building local or regional awareness and recruitment of new community members. Two was more effectively engaging with current members and/or reactivating previously engaged ICANN community members, and three, communicating ICANN's mission and objectives to new audiences. CROPP was promoted as a pilot program for outreach, to recruit community members and communicate to new audiences. So originally we interpreted the CROPP Operating Guidelines, which said that for every proposed trip, it was not duplicative of any scheduled event with a similar purpose outcome.

That meant going to an ICANN event for outreach purposes was not allowed, which makes sense because, if you think about it, sending a traveller to attend a public meeting for that person to do outreach is counter-intuitive, when there are already so many community stakeholders at the ICANN face-to-face, able to do outreach to anyone attending it.

However, if you consider the proposed outcome of the intended traveller, noting that second objective of CROPP - effectively engaging with current members and/or reactivating previously engaged ICANN community members -, and noting that the Intellectual Property Constituency has used CROPP for sending persons to attend ICANN face-

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to-face meetings, then we could use CROPP to send At-Large persons to face-to-face meetings, to transform such persons from being a watcher into a doer.

So, some of the challenges of using CROPP to attend face-to-face meetings. One key concern that's been expressed so far is the duration of CROPP trips are three days and two nights, and for the upcoming ICANN Meeting in Argentina, travel within the Latin American and Caribbean region can be quite long. For me, for example, it will take at least 14 or 15 hours. So if a person arrives Saturday, on the day just before the ICANN Meeting starts, he or she would have to leave Monday evening. It's possible for the traveller to personally cover the cost to extend their trips to stay longer.

Given the pace of a tentative ICANN Meetings, having a traveller that's not accustomed to ICANN Meetings come to a part of an ICANN Meeting to understand ICANN and At-Large possibly isn't realistic, and also coming up with practical terms and conditions for a traveller to apply for CROPP, and coming up with measurable purposes and outcomes for such a traveller to become a doer. Another challenge right now is to communicate such terms and conditions with LACRALO, to raise awareness of this possibility before the deadline, which is coming very soon.

Okay. If you want to raise any questions or other possible challenges you can do so. Alan?

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ALAN GREENBERG: Could you scroll back? Dev, a question. The second sub-bullet of the first bullet, that is travel can be very long - I'm not sure I understand the relevance, other than the person may be tired when they get there.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: The relevance of that was the possibility was raised that since CROPP is three days, two nights, a person could fly and get there Sunday morning for example, and then literally be on the ground, attending the ICANN Meeting, straight off the plane, and dumping the bags at the hotel. That's what the issue was - and therefore that person could then stay Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and then leave Tuesday night.

ALAN GREENBERG: Right. The number of days is not the length of the trip, but the length of the stay in the place, I presume?

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Yes. That is correct. My point was that it's not practical for a person to fly to Argentina and then be expected to then join in and participate fully in an ICANN Meeting on that very same day. That was the point of raising the duration of the travel. If there was some way you could have flown there and it would have been an hour's flight, you could probably hit the ground running on that first day.

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ALAN GREENBERG: Do you want to have the debate now? I was just asking for a clarification. You may want to go through the whole thing and then we can present our opinions.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. After taking the two other questions... Cheryl?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: If you're going to go to questions later, finish your presentation. I can hold.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Wolf, are you okay with that?

WOLF LUDWIG: Same with me. I'll comment afterwards.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thank you Wolf. The possible terms and conditions for CROPP for the ICANN face-to-face meeting, I've labeled them A, B, C and D only for reference. Here they are: since CROPP is for regional travel the travellers must reside within the region of the ICANN face-to-face meeting. Travellers must be a current or inactive At-Large Member of the RALO. The purposes, goals and expected outcomes should be continue to be specific, relevant and measurable, as per concerns expressed for CROPP for FY14, and any travellers should have a

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conference call with the RALO representatives attending the ICANN face-to-face meeting before the meeting.

So discuss the traveller's engagement in At-Large and which At-Large Working Groups are of interest to the traveller. Now some possible ideas for outcomes or goals for CROPP for ICANN face-to-face. The traveller must commit to join a minimum of one At-Large Working Group. The traveller must identify which sessions he or she will be attending, that will help him or her better become involved in At-Large. The challenge is that for that the schedule of the ICANN Meeting is not finalized in advance. That's one challenge for that outcome.

Another outcome: the traveller should meet the RALO representatives attending the ICANN face-to-face, and the fourth one: the traveller must commit to attend and participate in Working Group and RALO conference calls after the face-to-face, and share his or her expertise with the At-Large community. Finally, the traveller must conduct outreach activities in their country, and the effectiveness of this traveller's outreach can be measured by the number of Fellowship applications, people subscribing to ICANN updates, and possibly application of organizations to become ALSes from persons in the country.

I have questions marks there because this is all up for discussion. That was my brief presentation on this topic, so now I can open the floor for questions. Alan?

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ALAN GREENBERG:

All of the concerns raised are valid but they're not all applicable. Yes, if someone has to travel from very far away, and their own knowledge of their personal characteristics are such that they're not going to be alert and ready to participate immediately, then that's problematic. On the other hand, I've attended a good number of two-day meetings halfway around the world where I had to travel 30 hours, and get off the plane, attend two days of meetings and get back on a plane. I'll admit, I was younger then. But it's certainly something that happens on a regular basis. I don't think the fact that there's a worst-case scenario should mean we prohibit people from making a better-case scenario. That's number one.

Clearly what you suggest of saying which meetings you're going to attend is problematic. The availability of the meeting schedule does not go along with the CROPP requirements for advance requests, so we're going to have to play that one by ear a little bit. I'll be honest - I think it's going to be moderately difficult for someone to make a convincing case to attend part of an ICANN Meeting using CROPP funds. It's more convincing if they can somehow find someone else, themselves or someone else, to pay a extra couple of the days and attend more of the meeting, but I don't think we should rule out the concept because we think it's going to be a hard sell. That's about all I have to say.

One comment on your outcomes; I think the last one on outreach in the country is a good fit for some people. It's a bad fit for other people and I don't think it should be a mandatory requirement, and I particularly don't think we want to push that everyone who gets involved in ICANN

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has to go out and find an ALS. We know what the net effect of that often is.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Thanks Alan. Just to respond to that last one, I put that in there because if you want to decide if you want to send a person that's not a Member of an ALS or Member of a RALO. If you were to extend this with the idea of such a traveller then becoming a Member of At-Large, and especially if they're coming from a country that doesn't have any ALS representation, it was perhaps a way of a measurable outcome to have that person conduct outreach activities. That was the intent.

ALAN GREENBERG: To be clear, it's a good possible outcome. I wouldn't list it as a mandatory outcome.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Cheryl?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: A couple of points, but I'll pick up on some of the things Alan said to begin with. First of all, I think the matter of the long travel time should be listed as a positive or a negative, because I agree very much with Alan, that a number of people might find it perfectly reasonable to get off after an 18-hour flight if need be, hit the ground running, and basically their hotel room has been at 38,000-feet that night, and that's fine. We shouldn't have that as a limiting factor - it might be a feature



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rather than a negative, and it's very much from person to person, and also the nature of the first day of the meeting.

The second point, following from Alan, was to do with the desire for ALSes. Again, I'm very much along the lines of yes, we don't just need ALSes for ALSes sake, but we could expand that point and say something along the lines, particularly if it's furthering the objective of at least one ALS per country - because we still have that as a standing objective - and that would go to your point, Dev, of having the opportunity to expand into countries that are not currently represented.

The last thing we need is a 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> ALS coming out of Berlin, if you follow my drift there. The point I raised my hand for was I think I'd like to see, on this list of preferred options for this CROPP funding, for this thing to be at the B Meeting, because the B Meeting is ideally suited for the shorter timing of a much shorter ICANN Meeting, but the day one specifically being defined as for outreach purposes. I think it would behoove us to write into this somehow; being a Meeting B reference point. Thank you.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Cheryl. I agree that I think using the CROPP for funding for the Meeting B sounds more doable, or more achievable, or more practical, because of the shorter duration, and it is more focused on the community members meeting to discuss their matters. I agree with you on that. Wolf?

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WOLF LUDWIG:

Thanks Dev. I must admit, I am rather confused about the whole idea, because to me most of the arguments or reasoning I've heard so far is what I call inreach; to get more people or members involved in a RALO or get them motivated, encouraged, et cetera. But it's a typical inreach issue. Regarding outreach, I have a completely different understanding or observation. Outreach you don't among yourself; you try to reach out to other people who don't know ICANN or At-Large.

It's trying to identify new potential members, and this should be a key goal of outreach, and why in the CROPP would we promote travellers to go to ICANN Meetings when at ICANN Meetings you usually meet insiders? It's like convincing the convinced, so I don't really see much sense in promoting such a thing. I think CROPP should be concentrated on outreach in a region, and then you have to go to events other than ICANN Meetings. Just me two cents. Thanks.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Wolf. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thanks. The O in CROPP does mean Outreach, and that was the original intention, but the objectives and benefits are no longer just outreach. They include engaging with current Members, reactivating previously engaged Members, and that's critical. The word is Outreach in the title. We didn't change the title, we did change the objectives. Thank you.

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DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Alan. Indeed, that was the thing. I think when we saw Outreach and it was Members of the Outreach Sub Committee being asked to make up this team to look at this, we did focus on the outreach aspects, which is building local regional awareness and recruitment of new community members, and communicating ICANN's mission and objectives for new audiences. It's been pointed out that the second objective, which is effectively engaging with current members, and/or reactivating previously engaged ICANN community members, that's using CROPP for ICANN face-to-face meetings for this benefit and could be possible. Any other thoughts or comments? Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: I guess we should be clear for those who may not have participated in earlier discussions, this concept was run past Janice, who's one of the Co Administrators of the Program, and her position is if someone can make a good case for doing it, it's certainly allowed within the guidelines. It's not something that's outside of possibility. That's presuming they make a case that is reasonably convincing, just as for any other CROPP trip.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Alan. Indeed, ICANN's CROPP Administrators have indeed confirmed that this is possible, and in fact the IP Constituency has already used this to attend two ICANN face-to-face meetings - the one in LA and the one coming up in Argentina; for regional travellers to attend those events, so a precedent has been set that it's been done before by other constituencies. Any other thoughts or comments? Olivier?

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**OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:** Originally I failed to see the reason or understand the reason for doing something like this. I can sense if one takes external people - so people who are not even an ALS to an ICANN Meeting using the CROPP - at that point, I think that would probably make sense. I'm still dubious about sending someone from an ALS to an ICANN Meeting, because we'll have a lot of ALSes that will want to then make use of this, but as Alan said, at that point it might be that the application will not succeed because they will not have that compelling reason for attending.

That said, we could also make use of this program. If the ALAC was to require a services of an expert specifically in one topic that was an ALS but that was not funded to come to an ICANN Meeting, that would not only provide the use of an expert on a topic to the ALAC or any specific process, but at the same time would also engage that expert in At-Large, so that could be taken as sitting within the rules and the aims that we're trying to achieve using CROPP. That's all I have at the moment. Thank you.

**DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH:** Thanks Olivier. I believe that's how the IP Constituency used it - they sent a traveller for that traveller to become involved in the IPC activities at the ICANN meetings. So using it to find SMEs or persons to come and make contributions to a particular ALAC or At-Large Working Group deliberation, it could be used for this purpose. The challenge is actually knowing when that meeting would take place, so you could have that

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traveller arrive right on time for that scheduled meeting. Yuliya, what are your thoughts?

**YULIYA MORENETS:** Good evening. Well, I quite agree with Olivier's point of view. I'm also wondering how we would select these SMEs and also the meeting - why would we send a particular expert to this particular meeting and not another one? I think in this case, we should really work on the selection criteria and make it better.

**DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH:** Okay. Thanks Yuliya. I sense while we'd like to use the CROPP for this type of engagement purpose, the concern is there's still a lot of concerns as to how that could be doable in the three days, two nights, for that person to make an impact. Is that a fair assessment of what I'm hearing from the group? Janie? I welcome your thoughts and comments.

**JANICE DOUMA LANGE:** Number one, it's been [unclear 27:50] for me, and I know Rob feels the same way. This year in CROPP, and throughout the process, it's become, from a GSE perspective and from the CROPP PPCs and Review Teams, a very thoughtful year, and I go through my ups and downs with this over almost two years - is it working? Is it effective? Are the same people getting to use these tools, these resources? It's just been a pleasure to work with the different teams this year who are questioning themselves on internal emails, who are pushing to have better criteria, who really

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want to make sure the wealth of the resources and the opportunities are shared.

The EURALO recent exchange is amazing. I read every single one, and I want you to know that I learn so much. I would only step in if I really feel something extra needs to be added, but it's been a great discussion, and I notice some of the names on the list, like [Fador 29:03], and I thought, "How are they going to get this? And what are you thinking?" But I just loved it. No repetition. Make sure that we're looking into what is the benefit of bringing someone from the outside in. Looking at Armenia from last year and reminding yourselves this year, "Look, we took someone from an ICANN APRALO and brought them to the EURDIG, and why is that important?"

This discussion on the ICANN Meetings is equally important. I like the idea of forgetting about the dates, forget about the money. Think about what you need from an outreach and engagement, and inreach, Wolf - it's of value. Think out of the box, think outside of the O. Look at what your outreach, inreach, engagement mission is. Look at what the strategy is for, in this case, Latin America. It could be anything. Work and say, "What's our gap? Are we working well on keeping existing Members engaged? Are we not doing well at making new ALSes feel like they understand the structure and have comfort there?"

What is your gap? Fill it. Use our money. It's your money. It's governed and facilitated by ICANN, but it's a pool of money to not be let go in a FY. So do everything you're doing now. Challenge the thought, challenge the proposal, and then help strengthen a proposal that sounds good in theory but weak in rationale, and keep exchanging this way. If there's

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someone that you really feel would gain from a mentorship - and think community burnout, think stakeholder journey, think community mentors. How do we make this happen? Well, think about using CROPP for that.

If it's an inreach, and reengaging someone, and having them mentored with some excited, energetic member of your community, put that in a proposal and say, "We think this is worth the five days. Here's why. Here's what we're going to do." Think about what you did last year to get to ATLAS II and bringing two people from the Singapore Meeting through mentoring and to the London Meeting. So don't be constrained, don't focus on the days, don't focus on the money. Focus on your gap, on putting together a great proposal, and put it out there. Let Rob and I worry about, "Can we afford the extra days? Can we afford this?"

Let us worry about it. Just give us that you need for your community. Help us to learn how to fill your gaps by using these programs. Next year we're hoping to share with you a modified version of CROPP, because it's good to keep it going. We've positioned it in front of the Board Finance Committee again, and choices between an outreach event or a CROPP, a travel to an event. Do you want to add onto a meeting that you know is happening in the region? Or do you want to send someone to another?

I'll give you one more example, before I go, of what just happened with Intellectual Property. They were just able to approve their first Fellowship person from Serbia as a Member, and he put together a conference over the last couple of months and needed a speaker. So we

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worked it with Jean-Jacques, myself, Brian, Greg Shahan, Steve Metallitz. They needed it, they need exposure there. They didn't have anyone there to speak so we've created an inter-regional for the IPC from a CROPP perspective.

It took us two months to battle it through, but it's valid. It's what that region needs, it's what that community needs. We matched those two - regional and community - and came up with something that's going to happen now in June. So flexibility, absolutely, Silvia. There is a absolutely flexibility, but I love how you all are challenging yourselves to put some criteria down, so it's not like, "Well, yeah," - what if we put it down as a guideline and then let it fly, let's see what we can get. That's all I have right now.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Janice. Certainly a lot to think about. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. I've made this comment privately to Janice, but I'll say it in public. I want to know how we can make this kind of flexibility contagious for the rest of ICANN. Thank you.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Hear, hear, from me.



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ALAN GREENBERG: Janice, you're going to get yourself fired for being that flexible and useful.

JANICE DOUMA LANGE: Good. That's a good way to go. [Dushan 34:26], he was getting kind of discouraged at first, and I said, "Dude, it's good to be rebel. You just want to be a rebel, be diplomatic, but the rebel in you never goes."

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Thanks again Janice. Let's get back onto the serious topic here then. Let me just think about this, because it is affecting LACRALO as it pertains to the upcoming ICANN Meeting. Just an update on what's happened for LACRALO's CROPP applications, we have two travellers going to Cuba, but the other tow events that I talked about in previous emails - a possible trip to LACNIC, and there was one filed on the Wiki in a draft form for persons to go to Nicaragua - after some discussions those applications were not formally filed with the CROPP Review Team because we couldn't figure out what would be the appropriate good outcomes for attending those events.

For LACRALO's case we do have three CROPP applications pending, and as Janice said, perhaps it's carpe diem, seize the opportunity. Maybe put it out there to LACRALO with some of these suggested T&Cs and proposed outcomes and see what they can come up with. Any thoughts on posting something to the LACRALO list alerting them of the possibility? Or are there still concerns about using CROPP to attend ICANN face-to-face meetings?

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ALAN GREENBERG:

I think you should do it, and I think there are concerns. I don't think it would be concerns about using it for an ICANN Meeting - it's concerns that the person can make a good case for using it for an ICANN Meeting, given the limited number of days compared to the meeting length, given the fact that the meeting agendas are not available well in advance to know which days are best. I think we should identify those challenges and make sure they address them, as opposed to letting them do it in the dark and then have it rejected because they didn't meet our expectation that we didn't specify. Yes, I think we should make them aware of why it's going to be a more challenging application than many are.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Look, I agree with you Alan. I must stop doing that though. It's getting silly. I think we need to manage expectations very carefully. I wondered too whether or not - and this is not looking to get more ALSes, but rather to look at diversity - we do have some other programs running through ICANN at the moment which are trying to encourage participation beyond the usual suspects. I wonder if, for example, it might almost be a "bring one along" opportunity here, where even possibly within Argentina there may be one or more groups of our under-represented criteria.

They could be variously disenfranchised or particularly focusing on youth or whatever - whether such a group might be [unclear 39:35] almost a buddy system with an existing local, and that might also make a

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compelling argument. Just a thought, trying to get... Particularly with three, which is an interesting number, you can almost have a buddy lead and two representatives from non-member organizations. I think that would make a compelling argument. That sort of thing. Thanks.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Cheryl. Alan?

ALAN GREENBERG: I think those are good points. I'll expand a little. I hadn't thought about that, but yes, saying someone's going to come for three days, there's an existing ALAC Member of regional member who'll act as their mentor, that would make the thing more convincing. Just dumping someone into a meeting for three days where they don't know anything at all is pretty much going to be a dead loss - let's face it.

Remember, we do have things like the Fellowship, which have demonstrated you can move people along and get them to be participants, but there's a huge amount of effort that's put into the indoctrination and education of these people, which someone on a two-day trip won't have. So it's really got to be targeted for something that does make sense for a limited exposure at an ICANN Meeting.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Thanks Alan. Does anyone else have comments or concerns? I do have one question for Janice. You said that there is flexibility in the approval process to accommodate community requests. Is it that the

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request can be made to say, “This person wants to use CROPP to attend the ICANN Meeting but would require an extra day to do so”? Do we have that flexibility in CROPP or not?

JANICE DOUMA LANGE:

I say yes, and I know I can speak on behalf of Rob to say that. Again, it’s in the proposal. Alan’s right - you can’t do anything about the fact that by Board Bylaw the schedule isn’t posted until 15 days prior, therefore it negates in this sense getting it in the six-week prior that the CROPP demands, so you couldn’t possibly... But if you had a mentor who knew the meeting week... At-Large knows what they’re going to do during the meeting week.

Do that, and use the schedule, the draft agenda, and say, “This is how you need to focus. Sunday is Newcomer Day, for the morning to get an overview. Then you're with your mentor for the afternoon during the At-Large Session, then Monday is this and Tuesday is that.” That way you show Rob and I, as well as the Review Team, that this extra day is going to get them through the Tuesday. Bring them in on Saturday, get them indoctrinated into ICANN. They can come to the Fellowship Social with us at night, network, get guided. The Tuesday experience, it will be leading up to that experience with the mentor sitting next to them and helping them with the acronyms and all the fast-pace things happening, and then they can depart on Wednesday night.

So they don’t stay over an extra day, but they’re getting the most out of Newcomer Day, the Prep Day, Constituency Day and audio. So what’s that going to cost us? One extra hotel night. It’s well worth putting the

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proposal together and creating that agenda yourself, since the schedule won't be posted. So that's my two cents on that.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: It also sounds like Janice just read the proposal!

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Janice. Okay, I think we're going to have some agreement here that yes, there are concerns about the challenges of using CROPP to attend ICANN face-to-face meetings, but we should make the attempt to actually use it for the ICANN face-to-face meetings. I guess the outcome of this meeting... It will be up to me now, since I'm the one from the LACRALO region, to come up with the draft email to send to the RALO list. I'll post it to the CROPP Review Team list to make sure everyone agrees with the wording of it, and then I'll send it out.

I'm thinking that in terms of the six-week notice for Constituency Travel, well, the ICANN Meeting is on June 21<sup>st</sup>, so looking at that we have until about May 8<sup>th</sup> to send any possible proposals to ICANN Constituency Travel. That means we have to approve any proposal before that time, and of course get Rodrigo de la Parra, the GSE VP for the LAC region, his approval.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Yes, Dev, just on that last one, I think there might be a tiny bit of flexibility in as much as ICANN Constituency Travel knows the ICANN Meeting well. These other things come out of left field, and it would be

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one more piece of ticketing, or two more pieces of ticketing, in a sea of ticketing. So that means they're in hyper-drive mode anyway, so go for those deadlines, but if it squidges out a day or five, I wouldn't be too concerned.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay, thanks Cheryl. I understand that. I see Janice has pointed out that it should be approved for travel by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for that clarification. That gives us some time, because I think the sooner we get the notice out, the sooner people can start thinking about proper proposals. Anyone objecting to that? I'll try to post the note to the CROPP Review Team list very soon on that. Any thoughts or comments? Seeing no objections raised, let's move on to our next Agenda Item.

Right now we're reviewing any CROPP applications. The only one currently before us is the EURALO CROPP application. I think there was some updates today. Wolf or Yuliya, would either one of you like to say what the latest updates are?

WOLF LUDWIG: There has been some question last week on the CROPP list asking for further clarification, and Yuliya and I, we did some more modifications and we delivered some additional information like the selection criteria - how we actually found these people, what was the basis of discussion. According to the criteria, we identified these people and this is important perhaps to know - we wanted to avoid duplication from the last year, so candidates who had been sponsored for attending the

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Berlin EURODIG in 2014, we didn't want to have the same people for that once again.

So to find new people, we concentrated on candidates from the South Eastern European countries who are normally disadvantaged compared to Central or Western European travellers, and another criteria was to the extent possible identify people who are not yet part of EURALO - therefore there are two candidates on the list who were recommended to us as being active in their country, being closely involved in national IP [discourses 48:55], et cetera, but are not part of an existing ALS yet. Three candidates we listed are Members, but they are from South Eastern Europe, and as we did last year, we included candidates from Armenia on our list.

As you may be aware, or as you all know, Armenia is officially, according to the ICANN regional model, it's part of APRALO, but as a matter of fact, ALSes from Armenia attend and join regularly, and have done over a long period of time, EURALO monthly calls. They are closely involved in our discussions, they are closely involved and strongly interested in EURODIG, and therefore we said these people deserve being considered on a EURALO slot. For practical reasons, the difference between Yerevan and Sofia is much shorter than bringing anybody from Yerevan into any Eastern or Pacific destination.

Therefore, over the last EURALO monthly call, we repeatedly discussed candidates and submissions, and we think our submission is consistent, but if you have any further questions please ask, and we will try to answer and to explain all open questions. Thanks.

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DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Thanks Wolf. I see Olivier's hand is raised?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Wolf, you might have not seen your email. I sent it about 25 minutes ago whilst we were on the call. To one of the candidates who you've listed for a CROPP request, I've found out he's actually already funded by the Internet Society as a Fellow to go to EURODIG, so we have...

WOLF LUDWIG: Which one?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: [Fedor 51:38].

WOLF LUDWIG: [Fedor]? Okay. I didn't know that.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I didn't know either until lunchtime, or until this afternoon. I sent you an email about it, so you would have to, I guess, find someone else. He's funded to be there for the whole length of EURODIG, and in fact arriving by eleven o'clock the day before, so funded for the whole length.



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WOLF LUDWIG: I'm just checking my emails Olivier, but I can't find a message from the last hour from you, or do I have to...

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I've copied Dev in this and staff.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay, now I have it. It's from eight o'clock on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Okay. I was not aware about this. I just updated by mail. Thanks for letting us know. Then we'll find another candidate for this trip.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Dev, you have a copy of this email and so does staff.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Yes. I've now seen the email myself as well. Okay, well, taking apart the actual traveller as such, Wolf, I understand what you were saying about bringing in the travellers who are not necessarily Members of... Can staff please redial Wolf? I see Yuliya has also gone off as well. Yuliya's still hearing us.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Guys, I'm just about to go through security so I'll be off for a moment but I'll be back on shortly.

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DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay. Well, we are going to be wrapping up soon Cheryl. Going back into this, apart from finding another traveller to attend the EURODIG, I think generally looking at the proposal, it does seem to make sense. I just think we do need to add what I said about in the previous email; that we need to have those persons say they want to be involved in ICANN At-Large, and so forth. Yuliya, do you have any thoughts or comments?

YULIYA MORENETS: Yes. Actually, as Wolf said, we updated the applications and we corrected the mail address, which was missing, and the date, et cetera. We also added the third objective, and we took into account what you suggested. So it's already online and it was included - for the idea and objective for the participants who are not Members of At-Large yet to meet other Members of At-Large in order to be able to integrate into At-Large and ICANN Meetings. This is already online, so you can just check.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: All right. Well, I guess the outcome for this - and I know we're at the top of the hour - is that you probably just need to probably discuss with Wolf, to find another traveller, or decide to leave that slot unused. Hopefully you can confirm that very quickly, because I think we are coming towards our six-week deadline here for it.

YULIYA MORENETS: Yes, we need to discuss with EURALO.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: Okay, well, please update us very soon. Wolf?

WOLF LUDWIG: I just would like to suggest to let Yuliya and me try to find a replacement candidate within the next day. If we cannot quickly find one then we have to continue with four slots.

DEV ANAND TEELUCKSINGH: With four slots? Okay. Very well. Anybody with other comments regarding the EURALO proposal? Going once, going twice. Okay, very well. Wolf, Yuliya, we'll wait to see that updated proposal within the next 24 hours. Anybody else can of course make any comments on the CROPP Review Team list. Okay. We're at the top of the hour, but we did start at five minutes past, so we're finishing within the hour. Any other thoughts, questions, concerns? Going once, twice, thrice. Okay, I'd like to thank everyone for attending the call. Thanks again also to Janice for her contributions and to everyone. This call is now adjourned. See you on the mailing list. Take care everyone.

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