Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the EURALO Monthly Meeting on Tuesday the 21st of April, 2015 at 18:00 UTC.

On the call today, we have Siranush Vardanyan, Wolf Ludwig, Jean-Jacques Subrenat, Liliana Galstyan, Sebastien Bachollet, Oliver Crepin-Leblond, Sandra Hoferichter, and Narine Khachatryan.

I show apologies from Jimmy Shulz, Mikhail Medrish, Annette Muehlberg, Yrjo Lanspiro, and Oksana Pryhodko.

From staff, we have Silvia Vivanco; 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, Wolf.

Okay, thanks a lot for roll call. The next item on our agenda, as usual, we have [inaudible] action items from our last call on the 17th of March. There was only one action item. [Yulia], [inaudible], and Wolf Ludwig to send the EURALO list of CROPP nominees to the CROPP Review Team to be posted on the CROPP Wiki page. This was done [meanwhile] and our submission is under review by the CROPP Review Team. We’ve [done] some first sessions already and we responded to them and there will be a call tomorrow on this.
So the action items from our last call are completed. If there are no questions, we will come back with a short, brief update on this under Agenda Item 6. So I guess if there are no immediate questions, if this is the case, I would like to hand it over to Agenda Item 4, briefing on current [inaudible] and initiatives. This is the usual part of Olivier who is on two calls tonight simultaneously. I would like to ask Olivier to unmute and step in for this briefing. Olivier, you have the floor.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Wolf. Can you hear me?

WOLF LUDWIG: Yes, I can hear you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So I’ve unmuted the right call. I’m speaking to the right call here. I’m the CWG IANA call on the other side, and as you know, a number of us are on there as well. I know a few of the EURALO members are also on there. So they end up noted that they had to make a choice on this occasion.

Anyway, down to the ALAC consultations and initiatives. In the agenda, you will notice a link to our At-Large Policy Advice development page that has got all of their current work with the open statements which are there for our input, basically. And also the closed statements and the past communications. There’s also a list, and I’ll be going through the list quickly with you.
First, recently we had one statement that was approved by the ALAC and that was about the GNSO (the Generic Names Supporting Organization) Policy and Implementation Working Group. They published their initial recommendations report.

The GNSO Policy and Implementation Working Group was put together already a while ago. When some policy which had been designed by the GNSO was implemented by staff, there needed to be a few changes to the policy for it to be implementable. So there was a bit of a controversy to find out where was the line, the boundary, between policy and implementation.

We just drafted a short statement there which was sent to the public comment process and that statement was adopted 13 votes in favor. If you’re interested in the topic, you can see a full listing of the history of what’s happened, and of course our statements.

Next, current statement in progress. That’s one about the draft report, Rights Protection Mechanisms Review. Now, in order to protect the rights of intellectual property holders, trademark holders, etc., there are a number of tools which are used [in processes] which are used in ICANN.

One of them is the Uniform Rapid Suspension System. One of them is the Trademark Clearinghouse. I’m not going to go into depth into how these work. They’re all listed on the relevant public comment page, which is linked to our agenda. You’ll be able to read about all of these different tools. There’s also post-delegation dispute resolution procedure.
These are all procedures to minimize the risk, or at least reduce the risk, to trademark holders that their trademark is going to be used by a third-party illegally in a domain name.

It’s now been a little while since these – well, since the beginning of the new gTLD process that some of these, like the Trademark Clearinghouse, have been implemented, so it was time that there would be just a qualitative and quantitative analysis of the usage of the different rights protection mechanisms, which include the ones that I just listed there.

Leon Sanchez who is our, I couldn’t say in-house lawyer, but he is a very good lawyer in Mexico and he has done a lot of work in this field, is currently looking at this and is considering drafting maybe some text to show our support, because it’s an initial report. It’s not that important for us to be very critical about what the different points are or the different issues that are being addressed. But it’s important, though, to remain involved because obviously the trademarks and brands have a direct link with end users as well. As end users, we need to make sure that the domain names that are being rolled out are not used fraudulently one way or other.

So hold on for this. The statement comment due date is the first of May, so there’s still another 10 days or so. Hopefully Leon will be able to draft a few lines about this. If you’re interested in contributing, then you can of course comment on that page and Leon will be able to take those comments in his statement or whilst he drafts the statement.
There are no statements that are [inaudible] at the moment. There are some public comment requests which the ALAC decided to not submit comments to. One of them was the Internationalized Registration Data Expert Working Group draft final report. That’s all about registration data which is not in Latin characters. It’s a draft final report. Very little chance now to make any significant changes to the results of this report. This has been a process which our Internationalized Domain Name Working Group members and several members of At-Large have taken part in for quite some time, and as a result I think we’re quite satisfied with the report itself.

ICANN draft Fiscal Year 16 Operating Plan and Budget. Again, here our Finance and Budget Subcommittee members have been closely associated with the drafting of this operating plan and budget. There have been meetings in Singapore. There have been meetings, conference calls, that have taken place also by the ICANN Finance Department. So it was felt that there was not going to be a need for us to comment further than what is currently – [inaudible] all of the input that we had through the engagement that we’ve had with the Finance Department.

The release of country and territory names within the .HONDA, [inaudible], etc. This is actually a very common type of public comment request, which we have received on several occasions in the past and we decided a while ago that we were not going to comment specifically on these. What appears to be happening is, in past cases, this release of country and territory names has been agreed for top-level domains.
So whenever there’s a request by a registry, then it needs to be in the process that there needs to be a public comment period. So we decided on this occasion as well that we’re not going to comment on that.

Now there is an additional new public comment request that has just arrived and that’s to do with the proposed implementation of GNSO PDP recommendations on inter-registrar transfer policy part C. This actually effects end users in that when you have a domain name that is registered and that you’ve purchased from a specific registrar and you would like to change registrar, change supplier to another supplier, there needs to be some kind of a transfer that takes place between one and the other.

A long – very long – report to set rules and make the field even for everyone so that if you are a customer of one registry or a customer of another registry, you’re going to be under the same rules. That long report has been drafted. It took a very long time to draft, but there are several different parts to it. I know that we have some of our At-Large colleagues that are on I think part B. Part C is specifically to do with – I don’t even remember. I think a new provision which outlines the rules and requirements for change of registrant of domain name registration.

So if you’re going to, whilst you transfer registrar, you want to change the registrant as well, there needs to be additional provisions on this. And also updating to the inter-registrar transfer policy to include time limiting the Form of Authorization (FOA) for inter-registrar transfer. These are all legal and technical documents that are pretty deep into the Generic Names Supporting Organization procedures for actually running domain names and so on.
And I think that as far as our own community is concerned, it’s sometimes a little difficult to understand some of these documents. But if you are interested in this – and it might well be that some on the call have been following the process – then please step forward to hold the pen if you think that we need to comment on this.

The feedback I have so far from our colleagues on the IRTP various working groups is that the going is very tough. There is some pushback on some of the proposals that are made to make things easier for end users, but then at the same time, things are improving so there’s no outright proposal today that goes directly against our goals and the intention to protect end users.

I’ve spent a little time on this as to explain the issues. Sometimes it’s important to know a little more about the background. I think I’ve pretty much gone through my allocated time of 20 minutes, so back to you, Wolf. And of course if there are any questions, I would be more than happy to answer them.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks a lot, Olivier. Thanks a lot, Olivier, for this briefing which was concrete and interesting as usual. I would like to ask our call participants that if there are any comments or questions on the ALAC consultations and what Olivier just explained. I see no hands raised so far and I hear no voice in the line. Therefore, I can assume that there are no questions or comments regarding this part.

I would like to thank you again, Olivier, for all this valuable input.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Wolf. I’ll mute myself.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks a lot, Olivier. Then let me continue with the next part on our agenda, which is Agenda Item 5, brief update on EURALO’s Fiscal Year 2016 submission, which was dedicated or asking for a face-to-face General Assembly in line this autumn, ICANN’s meeting in Dublin.

I don’t know whether there are any news from the staff side. We discussed this at our last call. Meanwhile, it’s under consideration and I don’t know whether there are any news regarding our [submissions].

SILVIA VIVANCO: Wolf, at the moment, we don’t have any update yet. However, at [Global Leaders meeting], ICANN senior staff is meeting this week in Washington, DC, to discuss various issues. We expect to see some updates on this very soon. So we will keep you updated. Thank you.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks a lot, Silvia, for this info. If there will be some news, we can either inform you via the EURALO list or we can also – I guess we may have some news until our next monthly call in May. If there are no questions regarding this agenda item – I see no hands raised – then let me continue with the next one, what is our CROPP submission regarding EuroDIG 2016 in Sofia.
We have discussed this several times at our previous calls. We dedicated some more time during the March EURALO call and it was rather difficult to identify a suitable candidate and names. We had different versions of this list already, but there are always some changes in between so we had to delete candidates because they had informed us that they had [inaudible] for travel funding, etc. So the final list that we submitted comprised only five candidates, which the link you find here is still the old version from our last call. The names listed here do not comply with the last version.

But we finally submitted five candidates. They are under review by the CROPP Review Team. They are asking us some more questions on the selection criteria, and also regarding whether these are candidates of existing ALSes and I revert to our [inaudible] selection criteria by saying there can be candidates from existing ALSes, but we concentrated more on potentially new people who could become ALSes afterwards.

So this, in my opinion, has a very strong outreach as I mentioned, and I guess that the review team and the voices I’ve seen so far on this valuable criteria to try to affect new people and also to promote some candidates from our new incoming ALSes.

So we have one candidate from Russia [inaudible], and of course we have a candidate regarding the last criteria when we created a sort of precedence to give one slot to Armenia.

So this is under discussion. We have a teleconference of the CROPP Review Team tomorrow afternoon. I guess we can discuss open
questions and giving some more information on our request, etc., and I hope that the Review Team can finally approve our submission.

Then we have the possibility to send five candidates to EuroDIG in Sofia. This, in my opinion, is the best case to promote people, particularly from the Southeast and European region. Are there any questions from your side?

Silvia has added a link under the Adobe Connect chat.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Regarding EuroDIG in Sofia [inaudible], I would like to offer our conference activities and also [inaudible] to provide any update to EURALO members on this important event. Certainly just let us know that you would like us to have maybe a webinar on this EuroDIG and we would be happy to support you on [inaudible].

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. This is good to know. Thanks a lot, Silvia. Any questions from your side? I see no hands raised. Then let me suggest to continue with Agenda Item 7, what is [inaudible] EuroDIG planning process for Sofia in June and [inaudible] outline and session organization, etc. You can find a link to the program outlined in the agenda of today and I would like to hand over to Sandra to tell you a bit more about the status of preparation at the moment. Sandra, you have the floor, please.

SANDRA HOFERICHTER: Thank you, Wolf. Can you hear me?
WOLF LUDWIG: Yes.

SANDRA HOFERICHTER: Wonderful. If you click on the link to the program outline, you will not only have access to the EuroDIG program, but with this outline, you will also have access to the EuroDIG Wiki, which is actually the more important part of EuroDIG this year. Some of you might know or might remember that we started last year already using a Wiki for the preparation process and this year it has to become an integral part of the preparation process, because it should allow, according to our transparency principles, any participant to join any [inaudible] at any stage.

This is the slogan of EuroDIG: Always open, always inclusive, and never too late to get involved! Some of you might have questions in the past. How can I get involved? I couldn’t follow up. What’s the [stage of the preparation process on at the moment]?

With this Wiki, when you click on each session, you will see some deadlines. The 10th of April was the first deadline, the 13th of April is the next, and then 15th of May.

Then you have also when you go to that Wiki a discussion page, and it’s an opt-in taking our requests very seriously. They will also post discussions and some are with teleconferences on this discussion page. So everybody should have the chance to catch up easily what has been discussed so far.
You will also find later on an e-mail – not later on. It’s there already. An e-mail address to contact all the members of the [org] team. It’s a functional e-mail address so that everybody realizes there is a new participant who would like to join the [org] team.

With this, we hope to increase the quality of session and also provide a very transparent and inclusive preparation process. I would like to encourage, although I did in the past already – I would like to encourage all those on the call here from EURALO because it’s about our region to go to the program, watch out for session of your interest and then have a brief look at what has been discussed on the Wiki so far and raise your hand to be a member of an [org] team.

You all know being a member of an [org] team does not implement a huge amount of work. A huge amount of work is apparently with a focal point to have all the responsibility to get the session done. But if you think, “Okay, I have to contribute in any other way,” to this or that topic, then please do not hesitate and join any [org] team because this makes the whole EuroDIG transparent and also lively. We will also have a very good quality in the discussion on site because come somehow prepared and are already aware of the topics on the table.

Just some logistical remarks. The registration online since the first of April. We will close it on the 31st of May. We will also find hotel reservation form on the website. It’s a little bit old-fashioned. You have to print it and scan it or fax it or send us the e-mail, but this is the way the hotel is dealing with it. We are very lucky that we could negotiate really good prices. For like 60 Euros, you get room in the conference venue, which is [inaudible]. It’s a very nice hotel. It’s very big so that we
hope that most of the participants will be able to stay in the conference hotel. We hope to get a community feeling there.

You might have realized already that there are some events planned on day zero. It’s on the first [inaudible]. It’s SEEDIG, the South Eastern Dialogue on Internet Governance. There’s also an ISOC chapter meeting and there’s also a business event going on, which is organized by Jonathan [Frakes]. Some of you might know him. He is trying [inaudible] of the concept of the names [inaudible], which is a conference, usually nothing two days or so. They will try to do a very small version in Bulgaria within a half-a-day or so.

We still hope that our budget will be sufficient to put all the [inaudible] organizer together and make a very small welcoming reception on the evening of day one, which has been combined with a registration already so that people can actually meet already the evening before, gather a little bit, have some drinks and [inaudible] so that on the next day we can start [inaudible] go over the agenda at 9:00, because otherwise there would have been problems with the timing. The first program was at 9:30, but now we are at 9:00. This might be important for some of your travel planning and so on.

I have at the moment nothing else to say at this moment, but please feel free to contact the EuroDIG secretariat if you have any questions or raise it here during the call. Thank you very much.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks a lot, Sandra, for this explanation on the program development and the status, and particularly on such new elements like
importance of interactive elements of EuroDIG. On the Wiki Sandra just posted a link to it. It’s a very important and interesting [working tool], as Sandra said, where you can more or less truly follow the [inaudible], etc. And if you are interested in a particular subject, you can also contribute to it. You can leave comments, etc. This is regarding the particular EuroDIG bottom-up process. Very important, and please feel encouraged to join and to use it.

If there are no questions, no comments, from your side, I see no hands raised so far. I just got information a week ago that there was a [panel]. If we try to promote via the ICANN CROPP program to get people supported to join EuroDIG in June in Sofia, it was ISOC Europe who had another program and they had a call for applications from a week ago. Meanwhile, I was told the selected and approved candidate. So several representatives from European ISOC chapter will be supported by ISOC Europe to go to Sofia in June. Therefore, I hope you will get a lot of people there and we will have a broad representation from various stakeholder groups.

Any questions, comments from your side? Today we still have a lot of time, so don’t be shy. Just step in. We are almost through our today’s call agenda. There’s still quite some time. I see no hands raised and I guess there are no questions and no comments for the moment, but you can also contact us of course directly via the office at EuroDIG address if you have any upcoming questions.

I see a hand raised from Silvia Vivanco. Silvia, you have the floor.
SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes, Wolf. I just wanted to mention that this EURALO survey that we sent a couple of weeks ago, it was well responded by [19] individuals who were responding to [19] ALSes. And this survey was sent in compliance of At-Large Recommendation 28, which says the ALAC should work with all the RALOs and ALSes to mark the current expertise and interest in their membership and to identify subject matter experts and facilitate policy communication.

This survey and the other RALOs, which also had their own surveys, will be discussed next week in the RALO [inaudible].

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks, Silvia, for this additional information. I think I get some of you may recall that they posed this on the EURALO list and invited our members to participate in this particular survey, and I was rather positively surprised that almost 20 of our members participated in this survey.

Any questions on this topic, what Silvia just mentioned? She’s now just adding some more [inaudible] Adobe Connect chat. If there are no questions, no comments on this part – there are several people typing at the moment. You can also ask questions or make comments orally. Siranush is saying she needs to leave the call early and wishes a nice evening.

Okay. I think there are no further questions regarding Agenda Item 7 on EuroDIG planning process and also on the survey. So almost the last point on our agenda is EURALO planning 2015, what is a standing agenda item almost during the year, and first [inaudible] planning was
of course what we said under Agenda Item 5, update on our Fiscal year 2016 submission for a face-to-face General Assembly. I think at the moment it’s rather difficult to enter into some detail or concrete planning as long as we do not know whether our request for face-to-face General Assembly like in 2014, like in 2013 [that] will be approved. A face-to-face General Assembly is of course another challenge to organize it and all people are invited.

Just in case that our budget request to have this face-to-face meeting will not be approved, then we need to discuss a fallback option, what is virtual general assembly, what is a completely different element and what makes it even more difficult to a certain extent to organize it, because at the next General Assembly there will be elections on the EURALO leadership, etc. Therefore, I still hope that we might get approval from ICANN to hold and organize a face-to-face General Assembly in October in Dublin. As soon I think as we really know more details, etc., then I think we urgently have to start with our preparations for this General Assembly.

I just have seen via Skype a message from Heidi and she’s telling me that the Fiscal Year special request likely to be announced early May. So I hope that at our next monthly call we will have clarity about this question, and then it should become a key topic for the next month really to organize a good General Assembly and perhaps to have some more elements besides the way we usually did it, perhaps to combine with some kind of capacity building element, particularly for new incoming ALSes. So I will count on your support to organize this and to keep it as a main point on our 2015 EURALO planning.
Any other ideas, questions, comments? I see no hands raised. Nobody really wants to step in and comment. Well, as I said, it’s a standing agenda item. This has come back to this during our May monthly call and we will concentrate on this aspect and the last agenda item for today is point 9, any other business. Anybody has an announcement to make?

If Sandra is still available, I would like to ask her a question. There was a conference last week in [inaudible], in The Netherlands by the security by which Sandra attended on behalf of EuroDIG. But I see Sebastien raised his hand and I first give the floor to Sebastien.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Wolf. Just a point. There was a lot of work done with the CWG on the IANA stewardship transition and on the CCWG on the ICANN Accountability. The documents are almost ready to take one more week to be produced and to be sent for public comment.

I would like very much if we tried to have a discussion at the EURALO level on what we want to do with that. If we agree, we agree [with our point of question]. It would be useful to have a specific call just for that. I know that there will be [inaudible] explain it, but we’d like to have time to discuss it.

Today I’m a little bit in trouble to say what is the position of end user? [inaudible] CCWG, but I would like very much to have your input and to [inaudible] some time for that. Thank you very much, Wolf.
WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. Thanks a lot, Sebastien. I think it’s actually a good idea. I would like to ask [inaudible] mention it under the action items, Wolf to include IANA transition on the next agenda for the May call. I think we should dedicate a particular part on our next agenda because, Olivier, we have you and potentially other people who are closely following it and it would be a good idea to discuss it at next opportunity.

I know have Jean-Jacques Subrenat next on my list and Olivier after that. Jean-Jacques, you have the floor first.

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Wolf. Following on Sebastien’s remark and suggestion—

WOLF LUDWIG: Can you speak up a little bit?

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: I wanted to tell you that I am available to discuss this at — yes, is this any better? Can you hear me now?

WOLF LUDWIG: Louder, if possible. Yeah, we can hear you, but you sound faded somehow.
JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Yes. Okay. Following on Sebastien’s remarks, I would like to offer my presence and my intervention if and when you program a special session of EURALO on IANA transition.

As you know, I am a member of the ICG, the coordination group which is working to prepare a joint plan for transition and I’m available to make a presentation and to answer questions or remarks when that comes on the EURALO agenda.

Did you hear me, Wolf?

WOLF LUDWIG: Yes. Okay, we could clearly hear you this time. Thanks a lot, Jean-Jacques, for this offer. I think it’s actually a good idea and you could, by preparing this, create sort of informal working groups, Sebastien you and Olivier, etc. and making a brief summary on this to perhaps post it on the EURALO list beforehand that we give more visibility to this element of the next agenda, etc. Let’s prepare it [inaudible], then giving it a prominent place at our next call agenda. I think this could be a good way to do it. I have now Olivier and then Jean-Jacques again. Olivier, you have the floor. Olivier, can you unmute yourself?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Can you hear me now?

WOLF LUDWIG: Yeah, now we can hear you.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Excellent. Thanks very much, Wolf. I’m sorry, I’m on the two calls at the same time and unmuting is not easy.

Just on this topic of IANA transition, the public comment is going to start later this week, probably tomorrow. So if we have some EURALO specific work on this and convene a call or something specifically or EURALO members, then we need to do these pretty fast. We can’t have this in a month’s time or wait until next month because that will be after the whole process. It will have finished already. That’s one thing.

What I do have to tell you, though, there are webinars. I know it’s been mentioned, but there are webinars this Friday and I would really recommend that everyone – there are two webinars. They will be the same. They’re just a copy of it. There is one which will take place at 6:00 UTC. That’s 8:00 in the morning for Western and Central Europe. Also, there’s one at 14:00 UTC, so that’s 16:00. That’s 4:00pm on this Friday.

These two are actually organized by ICANN themselves. They’re not going to be interpreted, but they will provide you with a good introduction of what the report or the proposal of CWG IANA is all about.

Now, in addition to this, because we felt that we might need a webinar that was a bit more catered towards end users in our community, we are organizing a webinar next week. I don’t have the exact date in front of me because the window I have is not large enough to fit all the different sub-windows in there, but Heidi no doubt will have the exact time and date for this. Or maybe it hasn’t been set up yet. I don’t know.
Heidi or Terri or Silvia?

WOLF LUDWIG: Heidi, Terri, can you confirm what Olivier is asking?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes. I’m actually in Washington, so I will ask the people who are putting it together and will get back to you ASAP. If I don’t get the answer before the end of this call, I’ll post it on the EURALO mailing list.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Well, we’re putting this together.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Oh, sorry. I thought you meant—

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: We’re putting this together. I don’t know if you have another Heidi there.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I thought you meant the one from this Friday. We’re not putting the one together for this Friday. We’re putting one together next week.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Heidi, I’ve already given all the details about this one this Friday. We’re now asking for when is the one next week, because the one next week will be interpreted in Spanish or in French, so we’ll have Jonathan Robinson or Lise Fuhr, one of the two co-chairs, provide us with the details of the transition and of the plan, and then we will have some ample amount of time for people in At-Large to ask questions specific to end users and [inaudible]. We can probably even discuss the proposal ourselves.

That’s important because the ALAC is going to have to draft a response, a statement, in the public comment process. And the public comment process is only going to be 20 days. No, actually, even less – 18 days I think it is.

WOLF LUDWIG: 18 days, yeah.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. It’s not going to be long. Put it this way. It’s going to be a pretty short amount of time, so we need to be well-informed about this. Maybe I’m getting it wrong. It’s 28 days, sorry. It was supposed to be 30 days and it was shortened to 28 days, so it’s going to be 28 days.

But in addition to this, there’s also going to be a webinar as well next week about the accountability process. That was originally going to be a webinar in the capacity building, but the discussion at the moment is to actually use this as a webinar for ICANN accountability.
It’s important to follow this one as well, because on the first of May, which is only two weeks away, the public comment for ICANN accountability will also start.

These long processes that have taken months and months to reach this point are now coming to us as a community to comment on. So I really ask that as many people that will attend this. We hear so much about not having a say in those processes. I know a lot of end users don’t even know much about this process, and yet it probably is one of the most – those two parallel processes are probably one of the most significant processes in recent years that have come on the table.

That’s it for the time being. Of course you’ll all receive in your e-mails the details of both the webinar on CWG IANA and the webinar on CCWG accountability. That’s it. Thank you.

Oh, Wolf has dropped. In the meantime, I can ramble on. No, it’s important. At the moment, there is a call going on on another channel with the CWG IANA where we are putting the final touches to the proposal. In fact, there are still some significant questions in the working group where we have a few points that we have not reached consensus on and that we are going to ask the community to try and provide input and enlighten us for this.

I also understand that in the accountability track there are some significant proposals also being made that would affect everyone. So it’s very important that we get that input.
UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible] CCWG, [inaudible] three minutes now. Maybe Olivier you can share the meeting and give the floor to Jean-Jacques as Wolf is not back.


WOLF LUDWIG: Yes, please. That’s what I wanted to suggest.

JEAN-JACQUES SUBRENAT: Thank you, Wolf. Following on Olivier’s remarks, I would like to point out a couple of things. First that he insisted on the importance of the webinars which [are] very soon. I remind ourselves that these webinars are not specifically about the ICG on the transition of stewardship. It is about two things: the CWG stewardship and the CCWG accountability. So it’s more [inaudible] ICANN and the future of ICANN.

What I was suggesting after Sebastien’s initial remark is that I am at your disposal to talk more about the ICG and to the prospects of the plan, which the ICG is supposed to submit to the NTIA later this year about the transition of the stewardship of the IANA functions.

I say this also – and this is my second point – because I happened to be in the NETmundial as a representative of EURALO, and there also I think things are going on and sooner or later you may wish to be informed by
one of [inaudible] about where we are going and what is the status of work in NETmundial.

So to sum it up, I have two proposals. One to make a presentation when you wish about the – but that will not be in replacement of any webinar which is already organized on the CWG or the CCWG. And my second proposal is to speak to you about NETmundial someday if you’re interested. Thanks.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay, thanks a lot, Jean-Jacques, for this comment and clarification. I think now two elements. One element is to direct our members to already planned webinars on the whole issue. Another option I was describing with Heidi would be that we can decide amongst the call also try to make a particular briefing round for our members on all the elements.

Therefore, several of our members are in different working groups and there are also very different aspects which are under discussion and we could try to offer for those people who have not attended webinar, because a webinar at 8:00 in the morning or a webinar during the day for the majority of our members is extremely difficult to attend because most of them are working people and have to respect their working hours. So I guess not many of us besides the usual suspects are participating in these webinars, but we can try and offer. I will follow up on this point with Heidi perhaps to organize a particular session on this for our members, etc., to announce it on our mailing list. At least we should try to offer this. Then we have all the knowledgeable people who
have followed this over weeks and months at EURALO and then you, Jean-Jacques and Sebastien and Olivier, we could then discuss this in detail.

I think this may be an option what may fit to more of our members. If we try to organize it into the EURALO context at a suitable time slot, etc., it would be [inaudible].

Can we agree on this? Then I would try to follow up on this together with Heidi to find out, and of course with you, Jean-Jacques, Sebastien, and Olivier how best we can find a good solution and then to prepare an interesting agenda. If I understood you all rightly, I think this would be the best option. And if there’s a comment, questions, approval, I see approval from Sebastien’s side, also from Jean-Jacques side. I guess Olivier may also agree to this.

Just as I said, [inaudible] webinars is okay and whoever may follow such webinars of cost can do, but as a majority [inaudible], I think we should try to open a next opportunity. Olivier raised his hand again. Olivier, you have the floor, please.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Thanks very much, Wolf. My concern is we’re starting to get a lot of webinars here. I’m fine with doing something specifically with EURALO. I would still ask that as many people could join any of the webinars this Friday or any of the webinars this week.

I understand that Gisela is currently working out some times which will probably be early evening for us in Europe, around 18:00 or 19:00,
maybe 8:00pm or so in Europe. So that should be quite okay as far as timing is concerned.

But having another call after that perhaps would be fine, too. It’s just to make sure that we don’t actually have a call before the webinars, and so people are arriving on our call will just have to go through the whole webinar again. Then you will end up with some people who will know a lot and some people who won’t know anything. It will be very difficult to manage.

WOLF LUDWIG: Okay. I think we have to close the follow up on this and come up with a good concept for us. As Jean-Jacques, Sebastien, and you, we have three key people who have followed this over months, etc., and I think such a particular resource we have at EURALO would be good to use and to bring into a particular session on the subject IANA transition.

I guess I have seen we all agreed on such an option. Therefore, I will try to follow up with [inaudible]. Exactly. So we will follow-up. So we will, Heidi and I, try to find out a suitable time option and slot. And Heidi I will sort out the organization and technical aspect. As I said before, I would welcome if you three – Jean-Jacques, Olivier, and Sebastien – would get together and think about how we can prepare something which is not too detailed because it will over demand a lot of EURALO participants who have not followed this very closely, so it should be a kind of call and session to ask questions, etc., and to keep it on a level where the majority of our people, of our members, who will participate can follow.
If we agree on this concept and if there are no further questions, suggestions – yes, I see approval from Jean-Jacques – then we are now seven minutes behind our time scheduled, but I am very pleased that we finally found this point and this idea came up. I have seen that a lot of people have intensively followed different working groups and the consultation will start soon, and now I think we have to try to build a bridge to our members.

Thanks a lot for your valuable contributions tonight. I think we can follow up on this also via direct mail, etc. Or if you want to post anything on the EURALO mailing list, please make use of it.

Thanks for joining tonight’s call and I wish you all an excellent evening, what is left over after this call. Thanks a lot and bye.

TERRI AGNEW: Once again, the meeting has been adjourned. Thank you very much or joining. Please remember to disconnect all remaining lines, and have a wonderful rest of your day.

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