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North American School of Internet Governance

## Eduardo Diaz, Chair of NASIG

The 1st North American School of Internet Governance (NASIG) took place March 7-9, at Polytechnic University, in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The welcome dinner on March 6 gave students and faculty an opportunity to get to know each other and let us know their expectations of the School. It gathered students from Canada, continental United States and Puerto Rico. The lecturers from all over the World took a holistic tour of the Internet ecosystem that encouraged participants to engage in Internet Governance issues through the various organizations that contribute to make Internet stable and accessible to all.

[Watch  Testimonials](#)

# Student  Experience  by **Shelly Robinson**

I signed up for the first-ever North American School of Internet Governance because you can't teach what you don't understand. I run a not-for-profit Internet Service Provider called National Capital FreeNet in Ottawa, Canada. We believe everyone in our region should have access to the internet: meaning they can afford a high quality connection, understand how to use it, and feel safe online.

So far, that has meant we mostly focus on technical skills, what happens between the modem and people's device of choice, helping them connect to their favourite websites, explaining what's spam and how to avoid malware. But I know our members would also be keen to find out how the internet works in terms of governance. It's a huge mystery to them, and yet affects every part of something they rely on so deeply.

I had high hopes for NASIG, but was still blown away — I enjoyed the mix of whirlwind overviews of the internet ecosystem and governance combined with deeper dives into copyright and the challenges of internet security, as well as hearing from high-level representatives from ICANN, The Internet Society and the IGF. I especially appreciated that we explicitly took time to talk about marginalized and under-represented groups, from the gender lens Anna Loup applied to Tim Unwin's challenge of the first billion we still need to connect.

But if the breadth of speakers was amazing, so were my fellow students! I loved the international mix of lawyers and policy wonks, academics and students, techies and folks from community radio and other civil society groups. I learned tons from their questions and comments during the sessions (and by inserting myself into conversations over lunches, breaks and beers).

Finally, I loved that NASIG started in San Juan and that we got a tour of the Universidad Politecnica campus and a chance to talk with colleagues who are part of what makes the

island resilient post-Hurricane Maria, in internet connectivity, governance, and more. Looking forward to NASIG 2019 in Montreal!



<mark>NASIG 2018 Feedback</mark> Susannah Grey

The feedback from the NASIG 2018 students was  overwhelmingly positive. Take a look at the comprehensive report here (pdf) or here (flipbook) to find out more about how the students ranked the sessions, materials and logistics. You can also read comments from the student's as well as selected tweets from the social media campaign that was run throughout the event. -

## NASIG  DAILY AGENDA/SCHEDULE

http://online.fliphtml5.com/gnel/zbbx/

## NASIG DAILY SUMMARIES

### DAY ONE

http://online.fliphtml5.com/gnel/bpiu/

### DAY  TWO

http://online.fliphtml5.com/gnel/qlat/

### DAY THREE

http://online.fliphtml5.com/gnel/benq/

## NASIG  VIDEO PLAYLIST

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLJGlruOut6V0T2KXr1TXbJ7Z8UXeR5Qiw

# NARALO Celebration  11 years

It all started in San Juan almost  11 years ago when  ICANN signed a MOU with NARALO  and the journey commenced to where we are today.  Commencing with  a group of dedicated  volunteers including  Eduardo Diaz, Roberto Guerra, Darlene Thompson, Evan Liebovitch, Michael Miranda and others they placed  NARALO on a sold foundation to move forward.

Over the years NARALO has made substantial impacts on the policy comments for ICANN with Alan Greenberg as one of many of our  bright lights in ATLARGE, who is our  current  Chair of ALAC.



Signing ceremony in San Juan, Puerto Rico, See
https://animoto.com/play/hZSLgGKgxwQL6K1FqRNkAg

We celebrated our anniversary with a noon time celebration with food, cake, music and the Canadian Maple Leaf cookie, inviting the wider community to join in our celebration



See pictures of the NARALO Celebration

## Special Nod to  Ken Hansen



Ken Hansen, Blockchain Roadshow ( former  Neustar)  a long time ICANN participate worked with the local  San Juan folks to arrange  generous  donation of  hearing aids

See pictures

# NARALO ELECTION SCHEDULE

## TIMETABLE

| Date | Event |
|------|-------|
| 23 April 2018 | Nominations* open for four positions: <br><br> Chair <br><br> Secretariat, <br><br> ALAC Representative <br><br> and NomCom Delegate <br><br> **ROP 6.1.2**: *"Candidates for office may be an Individual Member or a member of an ALS Member, and must be resident in North America."* |
| 4 May 2018 | Nominations Close. **ROP 6.4.1**: *"The nomination period shall be no fewer than ten (10) working days."* |
| 11 May 2018 | Deadline for Nomination Acceptance. **ROP 6.4.2**: *"Nominations other than self-nominations must be accepted within 7 days of the close of the nomination period."* |

| May 15 2018 (Date | NARALO Special Purpose Call on NARALO 2018 Elections: *"Get to Know the Candidates"* - **May 15 2018   ( only  if we have multiple candidates)** |
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| 14 May 2018 | Elections, if required, open. |
| 18 May 2018 | Elections, if required, end. |
| 18 May 2018 | Elections results are published. |
| AGM (ICANN 63) | Newly elected ALAC Members and RALOs Leaders shall be seated at the ALAC Wrap Up Session during the 2018 AGM. |

# Outreach and Engagement  Report

The  Outreach and Engagement activities has included:

- NARALO Outreach Booth at  ICANN 61 in San Juan
- NARALO 11th Year Celebration
- NASIG ( prior to ICANN 61
- CROP  trips including
    - ARIN  San Jose and Miami
    - Digital Inclusion Conference
    - RightsCon
    - NASIG
- Discretionary Funds
    - ARIN on the Road in Puerto Rico
    - ARIN in San Jose
    - Telecommunities  Pre-ICANN 61 Readout
- IGF  Geneva
- Outreach and Engagement  reports

# Leadership  Reports

Monthly  Leadership reports can be found here

https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+Monthly+Reports+2018

# ALS Reports

## San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter

- ICANN 61

The Chapter is planning an ICANN 61 Readout in April together with ICANN's Joe Catapano and Chris Mondini. Two Chapter representatives, Susannah Gray and Leah Symekher attended ICANN 61.

- Project: Bridging the Digital Divide with Rural Broadband

The Chapter's  project on rural broadband is complete. The project will be showcased at the Silicon Valley AgTech Conference on 3 May 2018. You can read the final report here. We're currently working on a video about the project, which will be released in May.