After six months of efforts, the At-Large Community has successfully concluded its ICANN Board Director selection process on 27 February 2017. León Felipe Sánchez Ambía has been selected by At-Large as the successor of Rinalia Abdul Rahm and will begin his 3 year term as an ICANN Board Director at the end of ICANN60 (3 November 2017). Congratulations!
Fall in Love with Internet

ISOC Puerto Rico and HETS (Hispanic Educational Technology Services) celebrated Saint Valentine's Day with an awareness event on February 14, 2017.

Nancy Quiros, ISOC Chapter Development Manager Latin America and Caribbean Region, spoke about ISOC initiatives and set the stage for the 1st North America School of Internet Governance for March 2018. See her presentation HERE.

Rodrigo De la Parra, ICANN VP, Stakeholder Engagement-Latin America & Caribbean, explained the ICANN multistakeholder model and what's next.

A panel discussed the concept of e-governance and how civil society can help define the way it should be implemented to take advantage of the power of the Internet.
From left: Nerma Albertorio (Star-up Entrepreneur), Maribel Pico (Dept. of Education past-CIO), José de la Cruz (University Professor) and Javier Rúa (NomCom ALAC appointee and past president of the Telecom Regulatory Agency in Puerto Rico)
This event was the first of many that have been planned for 2017 to prepare, motivate and engage the Internet Community in Puerto Rico into participating in ICANN, ISOC, ARIN and global events such as Internet Governance Forums.

And... there is always a group photo.

From left: Javier Rúa, Nerma Albertorio, Maribel Picó, Gerardo Ortega (University Professor), Eduardo Díaz (ISOC-PR President), José de la Cruz and Alfredo Calderón (ISOC Board Director)

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**Canadian Plan to Increase Broadband Services in Rural Areas in Canada**

Le gouvernement du Canada investira 500 millions de dollars pour étendre et à améliorer les services à large bande pour une période cinq ans. Ce programme vise à offrir des connexions à large bande de haute qualité aux collectivités rurales et éloignées mal desservies pour faire face à la demande croissante en nouveaux services et applications, tel que le commerce en ligne, la télémédecine et l'apprentissage en ligne.

**Learn more >**

**Even more >**
In conjunction with the DSA's annual Global Summit, the Dynamic Spectrum Alliance is pleased to announce the launch of the DSA Award Program. The program is intended to recognize member companies, organizations, individuals, and regulators who are actively participating in furthering innovation, increasing inclusion, and pursuing new opportunities in dynamic spectrum access.

To nominate a deserving company, organization, or individual please complete the attached nomination form. Individuals may submit up to (3) nominations per each award category, and self-nominations are accepted. All nominations must be submitted to admin@dynamicspectrumalliance.org no later than March 17, 2017.

More info here

SFBay Area ISOC Chapter is excited to introduce the newly elected Board under the leadership of Susannah Gray, Chair and Fatema Kothari, Vice Chair. Visit our website for an introduction of the team.

Our 2017 Project Team for "Bridging California’s Rural/Urban Digital Divide with Mobile Broadband" held the project kickoff meeting in UC Davis (see attached photo of the Project Team Members) and is off to a great start with phase one activity goals. Check for updates and information HERE.

Please stay tuned for our first 2017 Chapter Event to be held on 10 April in San Francisco. We’ll be introducing the new chairs of the Working Group on Internet Governance and the Working Group on Data Protection, Privacy and Security. For more details HERE.
Garth Bruen from our ALs KnujOn just published the results of a months-long study of how various U.S.-based ICANN contracted parties handle reports of domains engaged in narcotics traffic.

The specific narcotics here are opioids which are synthetic versions of morphine often mixed with other chemicals or time-release mechanisms. Abuse of narcotics is a global problem, but has been particularly sharp here in the U.S. in the last few year.

Cybercriminals respond to news and have become aggressively predatory in offering a variety of illicit substances on different domains.

[Public report >](#)  
[CircleID Blog >](#)
Upcoming Events

11-16 March 2017

Click HERE to see a sneak preview of the AT-Large Rough Guide to Copenhagen
In advance to the NARALO GA @ ARIN meeting in New Orleans on April 2nd to the 5th, 2017, we are sharing some background information about ARIN, American Registry for Internet Numbers (www.arin.net).

### General Assembly Primer

In advance of the ARIN sessions, we are organizing two sessions:

**Feb 6 and March 20th** each at 2 to 3 pm

Introduction to ARIN sessions for all NARALO attendees. It will be a webinar lead by Chris Tacit of ARIN to introduce NARALO members to ARIN in advance of the GA.

Find out more

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### Resources

**Available E-Books in ICANN**

- How to make a EBOOK
- Introduction to NARALO
- ALS Beginners Guide
- AtLarge Guide
- Cross Community Working Groups
- Internet Day in Spanish
Becoming a TTF Member
IANA Functions and ICANN

[NEW] AT-Large Webinars and Presentations converted to EBOOKS

Available playlist and pictures of various event covered by our chair
Glenn McKnight

VIDEOS

Internet Governance, ICANN SHORTS, Caribbean Internet Governance Forum, ICANN Argentina, ICANN Beijing, NCUC, NPOC, ICANN Durban, ICANN Dublin, ICANN ALAC London, ICANN LACRALO, ICANN Singapore, Internet Society 1st Symposium on Internet Issues, ITHC Privacy Panel, Internet Society Canada Video Series, Internet and Mobile

PICTURES


Quick updates and links to useful Information

NARALO GA
All of us will be attending the ARIN 39 event in New Orleans
Details
https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+General+Assembly+2017

2017-2018 NARALO election page
In advance for the annual call for nominees we have posted teh ELECTIONS 2017 page, nominations start in April
https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+2017+Elections

CROPP Page
One outstanding page is available
https://community.icann.org/display/croppfy16/NARALO+DRAFTS
ALS Discretionary Funding for local Outreach
A formal process has been created for ALS funding. We have a maximum of $2,000 per RALO for local events. If you have an event contact staff for the request form which is presented to the GSE for approval.

Rules of Procedures Update process
John More and a working committee is working on harmonizing the ROP with the other RALO:s and streamline the language
https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+Operating+Principles+Review
https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+Operating+Principles

Monthly Secretariat Report
https://community.icann.org/display/NARALO/NARALO+Monthly+Reports+2017

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