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The North American School of Internet Governance (NASIG) is an in-depth capacity building event that focuses on teaching the development and application of the shared principles, norms, rules, policies, decision-making procedures and organizations that shape the evolution and use of the Internet. The first of its kind in the region. Additionally, NASIG seeks to empower the next generation of Internet leaders.

Applications are open until mid-January 2018. Fellowships are available for the 40 accepted individuals to participate in this three-day event to be held during March 7-9 in San Juan, Puerto Rico at the [Polytechnic University](#). **All applicants must be from the North American region** (Canada, United States and Puerto Rico). For more details visit - <http://northamericansig.org/>.

Tribute to David Vyorst



Image Tom L, David Vyort and Louis Houle

Article from Boing Boing by Aram Sennreich

The open internet lost one of its unsung heroes this week, with the passing of David Vyorst, who served as Executive Director of the Washington, DC chapter of the Internet Society and as co-chair of the Internet Governance Forum USA.

David wasn't well known outside of certain geek circles, but his impact as a fighter for free speech, online privacy, and democratic governance was immeasurable. The thousands of people who assisted, attended and presented at the events he organized over the past decade include virtually every major thinker, builder, policymaker, journalist, entrepreneur, investor, and troublemaker working on internet issues in the Americas, and many from elsewhere around the planet, as well. David not only brought them all together, but helped them find common ground, and provided a platform for them to build, share and amplify an agenda for a more connected, humane, and just world.

David's passion for democratic media was rooted in his experience as a documentary filmmaker, which in turn was based on his personal experiences growing up Jewish in New York City. His film "The First Basket", which explored the surprisingly central role of Jewish athletes in the rise of basketball and the NBA, received a lot of positive critical attention when it was released in 2008.

In person, David was like a puppy dog, and his youthful exuberance and energy belied his 56 years. Whether speaking at a podium in front of a thousand internet policy wonks or crammed behind a table at his favorite DC haunt, Politics and Prose bookstore and café, he was always brimming with new ideas, always hot to discuss the latest news and technological developments, always game to wax poetic or philosophical at a moment's notice. He especially loved to bring people with differing worldviews together, and after he'd made introductions, was content to lean back and watch the sparks fly.

When I moved to Washington in 2015, David was one of the first people I reached out to, and he was instrumental in drawing me into the local internet policy scene. Together, we organized and co-hosted several events, including a panel on fake news and social media algorithms at American University during the week of T*p's inauguration. I believed that these events were just the beginning of a long and fruitful partnership, and when I heard about his passing today, I felt the double pain of losing a lovely friend and an inspiring collaborator. David will be missed sorely by his many, many friends and acquaintances, and the loss of his leadership on internet governance issues leaves a gaping hole in American activism and policy. Let's honor his memory by working together to keep the internet free, open, accessible, diverse, and friendly.**



IGF2017 - Day 4 - Assembly Hall - Closing Ceremony - English

Matthew Rantanen, NARALO ALS member of Native Public Media

INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM CLOSES TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING WITH A CALL TO STRENGTHEN THIS UNIQUE AND OPEN SPACE FOR DIALOGUE
 The 2017 Forum's "Geneva Messages" Address Core Internet Values, Urge Respect for Long-standing Principles of Transparency, Accountability and Inclusion, and Support Balancing the Free Flow of Data with Data Protection
 21 December 2017

The twelfth Internet Governance Forum closed this afternoon with a call to ensure the inclusion of all and especially the under-represented - indigenous peoples and the unconnected - in Internet governance, and to protect and strengthen this unique global venue where everyone can freely put forward their views.

Delivering closing remarks as a civil society representative, Matthew Rantanen,

Director of Technology, Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, said that indigenous peoples of the world should have a seat at the table on Internet governance and be included in the decision-making level of the process. The Internet would fail to be the resource that it should be if it did not include all in the development of its future, in particular indigenous peoples who were the most under-represented voices and communities in the world.

Watch the video at

[IGF Closing Ceremonies](#)



The ATLARGE community joined forces to have a tour de force in conducting workshops and holding court at our ATLARGE booth at the IGF with NARALO members Glenn McKnight, Judith Hellerstein, Thomas Strutt and Matthew Rantanen providing volunteer booth time during the event.



In addition, in attendance at the event was Susannah Gray, President ISOC San Francisco Bay Area as a ISOC Ambassador and Alan Greenberg, Chair of At-Large. and the NARALO rep for the Unaffiliated membership

Pictures

[IGF Geneva](#)

Full report will be forthcoming of the event

Judith Hellerstein's Observations from IGF



The twelfth annual meeting of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) was held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 18 to 21 December 2017, on the theme, Shape Your Digital Future!. It was the first IGF where At Large had a booth at the IGF Village. This booth gave At Large members a chance to promote the workshops they were organizing or presenting at during the IGF and gave us a central place to meet. This was important and the venue was so spread out that it was difficult to meet others unless you had a particular space. I moderated several of the accessibility sessions put out by the Dynamic Coalition on accessibility and disability and was also a rapporteur for a digital trade session: Realizing SDGs through Policies Enabling Digital Trade



While there were numerous sessions to choose from on a variety of different topics and great efforts were made to make sure all people could participate whether they were in Geneva or in their home locations. I was very impressed by the efforts of the moderator in many of the sessions I attended to make sure that remote users had equal chance to participate and ask questions. Each of the sessions from Day 0 through Day four was captioned and despite the poor audio quality of some of the rooms these captioning really helped everyone understand what was being said. Interpretation was only available for the opening and closing sessions, hence captioning was essential. At the same time the current webcasting system, Webex, used by the IGF made attending these sessions extremely difficult for those people with accessibility issues. The current system is not accessible and so on several of our panels one of the main speakers was not able to give his remarks. Much efforts were made to resolve this prior to the start of the IGF, unfortunately these efforts were not successful. However, I remain optimistic that next year this problem will be resolved as the IGF will likely move to a new system.

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NARALO Staff Pick of the Month

Dr. Heidi Ullrich is VP, Policy Development and At-Large Relations and Team Leader of the staff that provide the policy advice development support for the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) and the At-Large community which represent the views of Individual Internet Users engaged in ICANN. She joined ICANN in December 2008.

In addition to supporting the At-Large community, Heidi has worked with the ICANN Academy organizers to implement the successful Leadership Program since 2013 and the new Chairing Skills Facilitation Program.

Heidi has over 15 years of experience working with global non-governmental organizations in program management and policy coordination positions. In these positions, she helped to strengthen the participation of trade-related and consumer stakeholder groups in negotiations at the domestic, regional, and international levels. Heidi previously served as a lecturer at the London School of Economics, where she also received her PhD, as well as the University of Southampton. Her research and teaching covered international political economy, economic diplomacy and US and EU public policy. Heidi has participated in various international research projects, including a study on civil society and accountable global governance. Heidi also served as a policy analyst with the University of Toronto's G8 Research Group between 1998 and 2005 including attending the annual G8 Summits.

She is currently working toward a Certificate in Global Management at INSEAD. Heidi is based in Southern California.

Fun Fact



20th Anniversary of ISOC NY



On December 20 2017 ISOC-NY celebrated the 20th Anniversary of its formal approval as an Internet Society Chapter. Phot shows current President Joly MAcFie with founders Wayne Spivak and Everett Carbarajal. (Photo credit: Greg Shatan)

San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter

Readout

In conjunction with ICANN's North America Engagement office, the chapter held an ICANN 60 Readout webinar in early December. Around 25 people attended to hear a high level overview of the key topics discussed during ICANN 60. The recording of the webinar and slides used are available at: [ICANN POLICY READOUT](#)

Elections

The chapter held elections in December and welcomed three new members to the Board. Two existing Board members were re-elected:

[Elections](#)

Rural Broadband Project

The Chapter's pioneering year-long project to measure broadband speeds in rural communities around the Bay Area is drawing to a close. Results will be published during the first quarter of 2018:[Rural Broadband Project](#)

IGF 2017

Chapter President Susannah Gray attended the IGF in Geneva, Switzerland as an ISOC Ambassador.

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Fellowships



Applications are now being accepted for ARIN's Fellowship Program to attend ARIN 41 in Miami, FL from 15 - 18 April 2018. **Apply now through 5:00 PM ET on**

Sunday, 28 January 2018 @ [ARIN Fellowship](#)

Announcement for Cyber School of Internet Governance

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CYBER SSIG 2018 se llevará a cabo los días **30 de abril al 2 de mayo** en la sede de la **OEA en Washington DC, USA**. El llamado a participar de la **CYBER SSIG 2018** estará **abierto hasta el 15 de enero de 2018**.

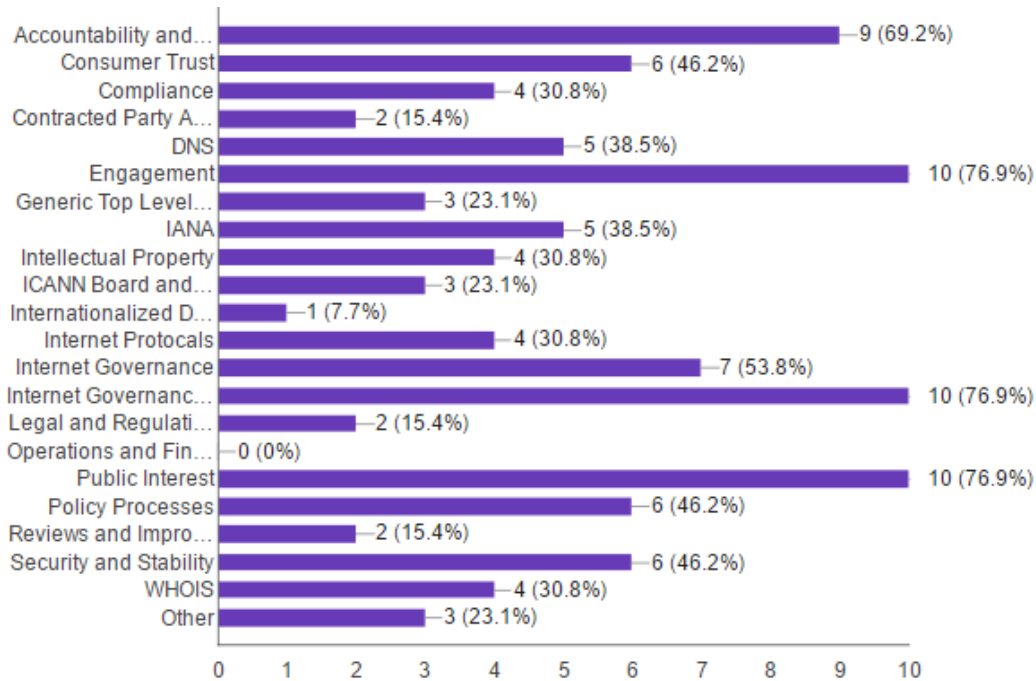
CYBER SSIG 2018 will be organized on **30 April, 2 May 2018** at the **OAS venue in en Washington DC, USA**. Call for applications for fellowships for the **CYBER SSIG 2018** will be open until **January 15th 2018**.

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Deadline January 15, 2018



Survey of NARALO membership of key ICANN Policy issues

Call for Policy Comments

Due date January 5, 2018

Purpose: This Public Comment seeks community input on the CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2 (WS2) draft recommendations on ICANN Staff Accountability.

These draft recommendations were developed by the CCWG-Accountability as required by Annex 12 of the final report of the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability, Work Stream 1 (CCWG-Accountability, WS1).

Current Status: The CCWG-Accountability reviewed these draft recommendations at its 11 October 2017 plenary meeting and approved their publication to gather public comments.

Next Steps: Following the public comment period the inputs will be analyzed by the CCWG-Accountability WS2 who will consider amending the recommendations in light of the comments received and will publish a report on the results of the public consultation. If significant changes are required as a result of the public consultation the CCWG-Accountability WS2 may decide to not include these recommendations in its final report given it must complete its work by June 2018. If there are no significant changes required, the CCWG-Accountability WS2 will include these in its final report and forward it to its Chartering Organizations for approval and then to the ICANN Board for consideration and adoption.

Draft Reports

Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Review Team - New Sections to Draft Report of Recommendations

The Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice (CCT) Review Team published its draft report and recommendations for Public Comment[icann.org] in March 2017. It is now issuing a call for input on new sections to its draft report. The new sections seek to reflect results from the "Statistical Analysis of DNS Abuse in gTLDs" Report for more information), and address costs of the New gTLD Program for trademark holders, based on the results from a survey conducted by the International Trademark Association (INTA) In addition, the CCT Review Team requests feedback on updates made to its parking and consumer choice related sections.

The CCT Review Team aims to publish its final report in Q1 2018.

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

VIDEOS

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