



# News

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# NARALO

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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/>.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### January

Naralo Monthly Meeting  
Special Guest Mark Buell, Net Neutrality

### Feb

NARALO Monthly meeting Feb 12  
Special Guest Kristen Doan, Cyber Security

### March

NASIG March 7,8 9  
NARALO Monthly meeting Face to Face at ICANN 61

### April

NARALO Monthly meeting April 9  
NARALO Election- Nominations open in early April

## NARALO ELECTION TIME TABLE

### **May**

NARALO Monthly meeting May 14

### **June**

NARALO Monthly meeting June 11  
ICANN Panama

### **July**

NARALO Monthly meeting July 9

### **August**

NARALO Monthly meeting August 13

### **Sept**

NARALO Monthly meeting Sept 10

### **October**

NARALO Monthly meeting Oct 8  
ICANN Barcelona

### **November**

NARALO Monthly meeting Nov 12

### **Dec**

NARALO Monthly meeting Dec 10

## **Community News**

### **Welcome New Un-affiliated Member Adrian Schmidt**

**Adrian Schmidt was born in Bahia Blanca, Argentina, and he studied Electronic Engineering at the University of Buenos Aires, graduating with honors. Near the end of his studies, he started working for the National Justice Department as the Head of Software Development to develop a system connecting multiple registries across Argentina via satellite connections. In spite of this project never being completed (because of the lack of support by government authorities), it fostered his passion with communication technologies. After this, Adrian continued his career in Information Technology (IT) working as a public advocate in Argentina. Then, after working for some time as an entrepreneur in**

southern Argentina, he became the IT director of River Plate Adventist University, located in the province of Entre Rios. In 2005, Adrian moved with his family to the Philippines, earning his MBA while working as IT director in a Higher Learning institution (AIAS). Adrian then moved to Canada in 2008, where he set down roots in Lacombe, AB, working as a Servers and Network Administrator at Burman University. His passions continue to be: networking and internet technologies, learning ways to improve and secure networks, and using his knowledge and expertise to create positive change in the world.

## **The San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter**

The San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter held elections in December 2018 and the following people were elected to the Board for two-year terms:

- Cecilia Butler
- Delia Sabau
- Richard Whitt

The following Board members were re-elected:

- Eve Edelson
- Ken Krechmer

### **Officers 2018**

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During the January Board meeting, the Board elected officers for 2018:

- President: Susannah Gray
- Vice President: Fatema Kothari
- Secretary: Richard Whitt
- Treasurer: Delia Sabau

See

[www.sfbayisoc.org/board](http://www.sfbayisoc.org/board)

### **Rural Broadband Project**

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter's project 'Bridging California's Rural/Urban Digital Divide with Mobile Broadband', funded by ISOC's BNET funding and the North America Bureau, will conclude this January 12 months since kickoff. This has truly been an exciting project for the Chapter and it was made possible by close collaboration with the USDA, Valley Vision, Geographic Information Center (GIC) and California State University, Chico. Please look forward to the project's final report that will be completed on January 31st, 2018. The report will detail the broadband access data collection efforts in the farming region of Yolo County in California, analysis of the data and conclusions. A project presentation by the technical team at California State University, Chico & Geographic Information Center (GIC) is planned for February. Please look forward to the presentation details that will soon be posted on the Chapter website and Newsletter. Summary update by Project Lead, Leah Symekher.

## La gobernanza multistakeholder de Internet e ICANN

This a paper, authored by Javier Rúa, presents the multistakeholder model as a way to govern all societies. It showcase ICANN as an example of a working model. Paper is in Spanish only.

Reported by Eduardo Díaz

[Learn more >](#)



## Joly's 12 Top Livestreams for ISOC

1. ISOC-NY 20th Anniversary -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/isocny20>
2. Internet Society Open Forum at IGF 2017 -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/isoc-igf2017>
3. A History of the Internet - Dave Farber -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/farber>
4. The Last Days of Reality - Mark Pesce -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/pesce>
5. Internet Society Chapterthon 2017 -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/chapterthon2017>
6. Kathy Brown - Mobile World Congress Shanghai 2017 -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/mwcs17>
7. Internet Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony 2017 -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/ihof17>
8. ISOC Community Networking Round Up 2016 -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/cn2016>
9. Community Networks talks from NYCMesh & RadNetworks -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/cn2017>
10. Olaf Kolkman - The Future of Trust -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/futureoftrust>
11. Internet Society 2017 Global Internet Report Launch -  
<https://livestream.com/internetsociety/future>

12. Geneva Lecture Series: "Current Internet Governance Challenges: What's Next?" - <https://livestream.com/internetsociety/gls17>

### NARALO Staff Pick of the Month



**Evin Ashley Erdoğan**  
**STAFF**  
**AC/SO and Policy Support**

Evin joined the ICANN Organization in January 2017. She currently holds the title of AC/SO and Policy Support, reporting to Heidi Ullrich, VP, Policy Development & At-Large Relations.

Evin provides policy development support to the ICANN Policy Department's communities and manages communications for At-Large.

Evin is a graduate of Boston University where she studied International Relations. She has also a certificate of Distinction in Nonprofit Leadership and Management from Rice University. Evin worked as a contracted consultant for two civil society organizations in Turkey administering USAID, EU and UN funded development projects in Turkey and Syria and civil society organizations in the United States. Evin is native in Turkish and English, and a dual citizen of the US and Turkey. She grew up in Saudi Arabia and Japan.

## Great Social Media Resource SPARK

<http://www.cbc.ca/radio/spark>



# Lots of great shows over the year on relevant Internet and Social Media trends

## Positive Social Media Strategy

That's according to new research published by Cornell psychology PhD student Sebastian Deri. Sebastian Deri (Cornell)

In a paper called "Home Alone: Why People Believe Others' Social Lives Are Richer Than Their Own," Sebastian found that most people think their friends have better and richer social lives than they do.

However, the problem lies in that when we think of people to compare ourselves to, we tend to think of people who have very active social lives.

"When they start thinking about other people, they don't start thinking about random other people," Sebastian says.

"The people who come easiest to mind are the people who are most social, and those people are not representative in terms of how peoples' social lives are.

However, nearly everyone thinks like that, and "obviously that can't be true."

Social media likely tends to exacerbate this way of thinking, he adds, because people tend to post images of themselves in fun social situations.

Sebastian says that there is a certain logic to this thinking: when we compare ourselves to other peoples' cooking ability, we also tend to think of people who are good cooks and not people who sit around eating Ramen noodles.

He says the idea of comparing your social lives with other people isn't really a good measure of happiness.

"I think you should take a more absolute perspective. 'Am I getting what I want, am I happy?' It's not useful in this case to see how many follower you have compared to Kim Kardashian.

### Comment

*At 35 minutes of the podcast the author's comments about practical recommendation suggestion " give it five minute mode' in responding to the reactionary Twitter feeds.*

## REPORTS

# Outreach and Engagement WG

# Glenn McKnight



## The IGF Geneva was a great success

A total of 109 participants signed up on our tracking sheets with hundreds of brochures handed at the booth. Special acknowledgement to Judith Hellerstein, Matthew Rantanen and Thomas Strutt who all volunteered at the booth. Since it was out of region we only had five people sign up. All have been contacted.

Full report is here

[IGF GENEVA REPORT](#)

To learn more about the Outreach and Engagement Working Group

## NextGen Fellows

Special Shout out to the North American NexGen Fellows going to ICANN 61  
A special effort will be made to reach out to these fellows

<b>Savannah Badalich</b>	<b>Columbia University</b>
<b>Jesús Colón Rosado</b>	<b>University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus</b>
<b>Justin Cray</b>	<b>Cornell University</b>
<b>Fransleidy de Jesús Díaz</b>	<b>National University College</b>
<b>Juan A. Figueroa Rosado</b>	<b>University of Puerto Rico at Bayamón</b>
<b>Allan Fret</b>	<b>University of Puerto Rico</b>
<b>Sarah Ingle</b>	<b>Trinity College, University of Toronto</b>
<b>Gabriel Jiménez Barrón</b>	<b>University of Puerto Rico School of Law</b>
<b>Ishan Mehta</b>	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b>
<b>Kaitlyn Rose Karpenko</b>	<b>Columbia Law School</b>
<b>Haley Lepp</b>	<b>University of Washington</b>
<b>Anna Cecile Loup</b>	<b>University of Southern California</b>
<b>Carolle Vodouhe</b>	<b>University of Montreal</b>
<b>Shamar Ward</b>	<b>University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus</b>
<b>James Wesley Wilson</b>	<b>University of California, Los Angeles</b>



To learn more about the NextGen

<https://www.icann.org/public-responsibility-support/nextgen>

## NOMCOM Report Leah Symekher



The 2018 NOMCOM is tasked with filling 9 open leadership positions on the ICANN board. The team kicked off with meetings at ICANN 60 in Abudhabi where we got right into the preparatory phase of our work that focused on detailed planning for responsibilities in the coming year.

**We achieved the following:**

- Defined operating procedures
- Outlined 2018 NOMCOM timelines, goals and strategies
- Formed 8 subcommittees each focused on specific tasks

**Outreach:**

We are currently in the candidate recruitment phase of our annual process where outreach to the community plays a significant role. NOMCOM delegates attending IGF 2017 in Geneva began our outreach efforts with more to come at ICANN 61 and at /through other appropriate channels. We welcome NARALO to encourage suitable candidates to apply for these open seats: ICANN Board of Directors 3 Seats, GNSO 1 seat, ALAC 2 seats (Europe & North America) & ccNSO 2 seats.

**Resources:**

For more information on NOMCOM 2018 and to be continually updated on our activities please use the following resources:

- 2018 NOMCOM website as a resource for information:  
<https://www.icann.org/nomcom2018>

- 2018 NOMCOM wiki for candidate applications (will be up soon)

- 2018 NOMCOM Update (will be available soon)

Summary by:

Leah Symekher

2018 NOMCOM Delegate, ALAC

## NOMCOM REVIEW

**Nominating Committee Review: Assessment Report Released and Forthcoming Webinar**

**10 January 2018**

**LOS ANGELES - 10 January 2018 - Analysis Group, the independent examiner performing the ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) Review, has published its assessment report.**

**[Read the report](#)**

The goal of the assessment report is to achieve a maximum agreement between the wider ICANN community and the independent examiner as to which areas of the NomCom work well and which may benefit from improvements. No recommendations are included in the assessment report. Recommendations will be included in the final report, expected for publication in June 2018.

## Report IGF Trinidad and Tobago

**[IGF Trinidad and Tobago Pictures](#)**



**The IGF TT was a huge success and event sponsored by IEEE, ISOC and IGF. Glenn McKnight was one of the panelists on Blockchain for Humanitarian Efforts**



## Call for Volunteers

### ICANN 61 NARALO Booth

It's become standard practice that the regional RALO has a booth. Many of the other RALO members also volunteer their time. The original idea comes from our NARALO GA in Toronto and we had premium presence at the event.

Please let Glenn know if you will be willing to volunteer and complete the online table on your availability

### ICANN 61 NARALO Booth

Please add your name to the signup sheet if you are attending the ICANN 61

### SIGN UP SHEET

## Call for Topics

Due Feb 10, 2018

The At-Large Capacity Building Working Group would like to receive the list of topics that your ALSes and individual members wish we address in the webinars we are planning for 2018.

Can you please ask your members to send to the staff [staff@atlarge.icann.org](mailto:staff@atlarge.icann.org) all topics they want to propose before 10 February 2018 at 23:59 UTC.

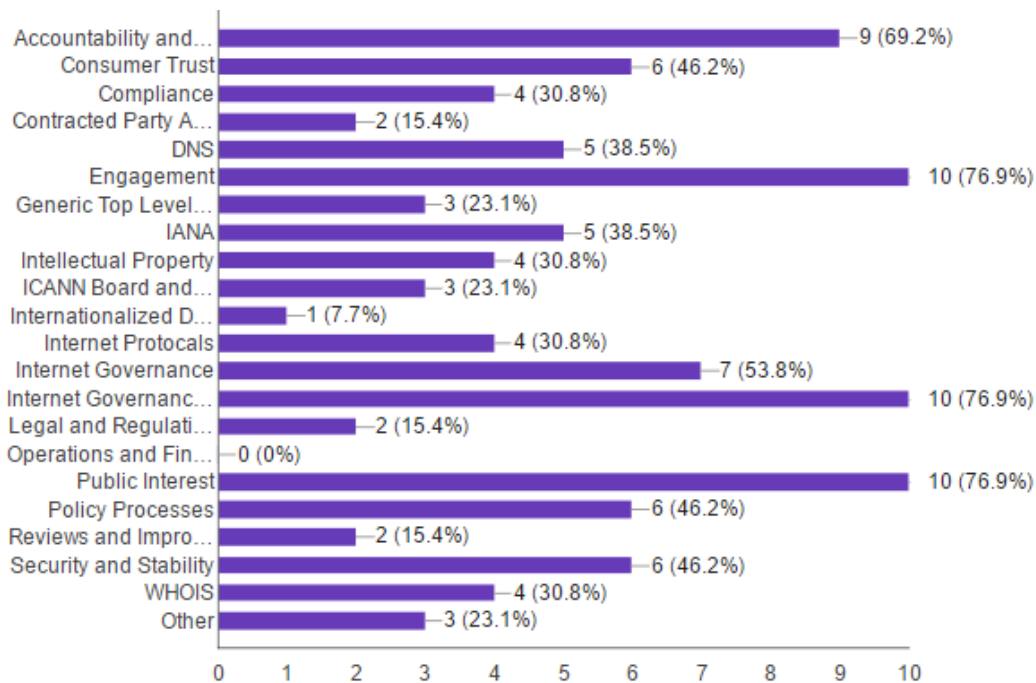
Thank you for your cooperation.

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Tijani BEN JEMAA  
Executive Director  
Mediterranean Federation of Internet Associations (FMAI)

## Internet Predictions for 2018

1. GDPR: Data in the centre of digital politics
2. Cybersecurity geopolitics: The search for new governance mechanisms
3. Digital trade and the Internet economy
4. Courts: Active maker of digital rules
5. Artificial intelligence: Between philosophical considerations and practical applications

- 6. Bitcoin and cryptocurrencies: Between boom and bust
  - 7. Content policy: Fake news and violent extremism online
  - 8. Net neutrality: Global impact of new US regulation
  - 9. Encryption: More pressure on backdoor access
  - 10. ICANN: Online identities, jurisdiction, and governance
- <https://www.diplomacy.edu/blog/2018predictions>



## Survey of NARALO membership of key ICANN Policy issues

### Call for Policy Comments

Public Comment Period Extended: **Operating Standards for ICANN's Specific Reviews**

8 January 2018

LOS ANGELES - 8 January 2018 - The deadline to submit comments on the Operating Standards for ICANN's Specific Reviews[icann.org] [PDF, 692 KB] has been extended until Friday 2 February 23:59 UTC.

[Comment on the draft Operating Standards\[jicann.org\]](#).

The goal of the Bylaws-mandated Operating Standards (see Section 4.6[jicann.org]) is to provide for a transparent and consistent review process by documenting rules and procedures. Please note, most procedures detailed in the draft Operating Standards are either based on existing best practices, or on processes that have been adapted from comparable procedures already in existence elsewhere within ICANN. The draft has been prepared taking into account best practices from past and current reviews, and community input received throughout several public consultations.

## 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[jicann.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.

## Upcoming Events

### Feb

Marita Moll, Telecommunities Canada has organized a Pre-ICANN 61 Event at the CIRA headquarters in Ottawa at \_\_\_ the event will be Livestreamed...



Register [HERE](#)

## Resources

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### Available E-Books in ICANN

[How to make an 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](#), [AT-Large Webinars and Presentations converted to EBOOKS](#), [ICANN 59 converted to Ebooks](#), [ICANN 60 At-Large Presentations converted to Ebooks](#), **(NEW)** [Digital Inclusion Toolkit](#)

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 BeijingNCUC](#), [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](#), [ICANN 59 - J'burg 2017](#), **(NEW)** [ICANN 60 Fellowship Program](#)

## PICTURES

[Belize IXP](#), [Net Neutrality](#), [Nigel Cassmire \(CTU\)](#), [Jackie Morris\(Trinidad\)](#), [Security and Privacy](#), [ABC of Internet Governance](#), [12th Annual CIGF-Belize](#), [Pew Internet Research](#), [IGF USA 2016](#), [ICANN Fellows 2016](#), [ICANN DNS and Women 2016](#), [Global Forum Cyber Expertise -Advisory](#), [GFCE 2016](#), [M Enabling Summit](#), [WSIS 2016](#), [Dynamic Spectrum Forum 2016- Bogata, Columbia](#), [Southern School of Internet Governance- Washington](#), [ICANN Morocco](#), [ALAC @ICANN](#), [ICANN Dublin](#), [Internet Society Canada Symposium](#), [IGF USA 2015](#), [ICANN Fellowship Argentina](#), [ICANN Argentina](#), [ICANN Singapore](#), [NARALO](#), [ICANN Los Angeles](#), [ALAC ATLAS 2-London](#), [ARIN-Chicago](#), [ICANN Singapore](#), [ICANN Ba](#), [ICANN Durban](#), [NPOC Beijing](#), [ICANN Beijing](#), [ICANN Toronto](#), [NCUC 2012](#), [ISOC Prague](#), [ICANN Mexico](#), [Global Humanitarian Technology Conference 2016](#), [ICANN Hyderabad](#), [ICANN 58 - Copenhagen 2017](#), [NARALO General Assembly](#), [ICANN 59 - J'burg 2017](#),

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