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# NARALO

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**Hello! And help! Seeking content and feedback:**

This newsletter is now being edited by Shelley Robinson, currently representing the Internet Society Canada Chapter on NARALO. And I need

your help!

If you have relevant information about your ALS, NARALO, ICANN or other internet governance-related resources or analyses you'd like to see in this newsletter, please send it to me at [shelleylaurenrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:shelleylaurenrobinson@gmail.com) by the 20th of each month. To keep things readable we're looking for briefs 250-500 words or links with context.

This is also your chance to send along any feedback/ suggestions you have for newsletter formatting going forward.

You can find all past NARALO newsletters at the [NARALO Newsletter Archives](#).

Thanks to Eduardo Diaz for editing the first three years of the newsletter and Glenn McKnight for his work to keep it going in the meantime.

I'm keeping my first month on the job fairly simple, mostly drawing from the NARALO listserve as I learn the ropes. My interest in the newsletter is finding out more about Internet Governance generally and helping amplify the great work done by NARALO ALSes.

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## NARALO nomination period now open:

This call for nominations was issued on Monday 23rd April 2018 for the various elected/selected positions within NARALO.

Here's the whole election timeline:

- 23 April 2018 - Announcement of call for nominations and Nominee's Statement
- 23 April - 4 May 2018 - Nomination period
- 11 May - Deadline for nomination acceptances
- 14 May - 17 May - Calls with the candidates (if desired by the RALOs)
- 18 May - 24 May - Elections (If required, elections will begin no later than one week after the deadline for nomination acceptances and end no later than two weeks after that deadline).
- 2018 AGM [ ICANN 63] - Newly elected ALAC Members and RALOs Leaders shall be seated at the end of the 2018 AGM following the close of the Board Meeting on 25 October 2018.

This call is being made in accordance with the [NARALO Operating Principles](#).

All nominees are expected to submit a brief statement explaining why they believe they are a suitable candidate and also must complete or update their Statement of Interest (see: [At-Large New SOIs Workspace](#)).

There are four positions up for elections/selection this year: one Chair, one

Secretariat, one ALAC Member and NARALO NomCom delegate. If you would like to nominate someone or to put yourself forward for selection, please post on the NA-DISCUSS Mailing List ([na-discuss@atlarge-lists.icann.org](mailto:na-discuss@atlarge-lists.icann.org)). Previous nominations will not be considered.

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## Next NARALO teleconference - Monday, May 14th @ 19:00-20:00 UTC:

The agenda for the meeting is [here](#).

If you can't attend, please alert your ALS alternate or send your regrets to [At-Large Staff](#).

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## ICANN Board Nominations Committee update:

The ICANN NOMCOM kicked off at ICANN 60 in Abu Dhabi. Since then, the team has been hard at work preparing, recruiting and now assessing candidates. [Visit their website](#) for the second update on their progress.

Thanks to Leah Symekher, 2018 ICANN NOMCOM Delegate, ALAC for this information.

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## Just like being back in San Juan - ICANN read-out:

### ICANN61 Readout Webinar

On April 26th, the San Francisco Bay Area Internet Society Chapter held its third ICANN Readout Webinar. The Readout offers a re-cap and introduces new audiences to the stakeholder conversations that took place during ICANN61.

Chris Mondini, ICANN's Vice President, Global Business

Engagement, Joe Catapano, ICANN's Stakeholder Engagement Program Manager, North America and Susannah Gray, SF Bay Area ISOC Chapter President, gave a high level overview of the key policy discussions and community activities that took place at the recent ICANN61 Community Forum Meeting.

They covered topics including: new gTLD Auction Proceeds Working Group; the ICANN Budget; work from the Cross Community Working Group (CCWG) on Accountability; an update from the Government Advisory Committee (GAC); General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR); and the Key-Signing-Key (KSK) Rollover.

Chris and Joe also talked about why you should care about the policies that affect the growth and development of the Internet and how to get involved.

The recording of the webinar will be available at [www.sfbayisoc.org](http://www.sfbayisoc.org) shortly.

Thanks to Susannah Gray for the information.

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## **ICYMI - Capacity Building Webinar on Compliance of the Whois registration data with GDPR (interim model):**

A few months ago, ICANN organized a webinar about the compliance of the WHOIS registrant data with the European GDPR. It explained the GDPR and its implications on the Internet actors regarding the registrants data. At the very end of that webinar, the presenters said a few words about the 4 preliminary interim models proposed by ICANN (1, 2a, 2b, 3).

Since ICANN61 in San Juan, there have been more discussions, including new elements such as the comment of IPC/BC on the accreditation model and the reply of Article 29 to ICANN consultation. In order to keep ICANN community members well-informed and able to

comment on the proposed solutions, another webinar was offered on April 18th.

More than 40 people attended. The trainers were Alan Greenberg and Thomas Rickert. You can find their presentations and a recording of the webinar [here](#).

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### **ALS report - Net Inclusion conference summary:**

NARALO's Glenn McKnight attended the fourth annual National Digital Inclusion Alliance's Net Inclusion conference April 17-19th in Cleveland, OH. Here's what he thought:

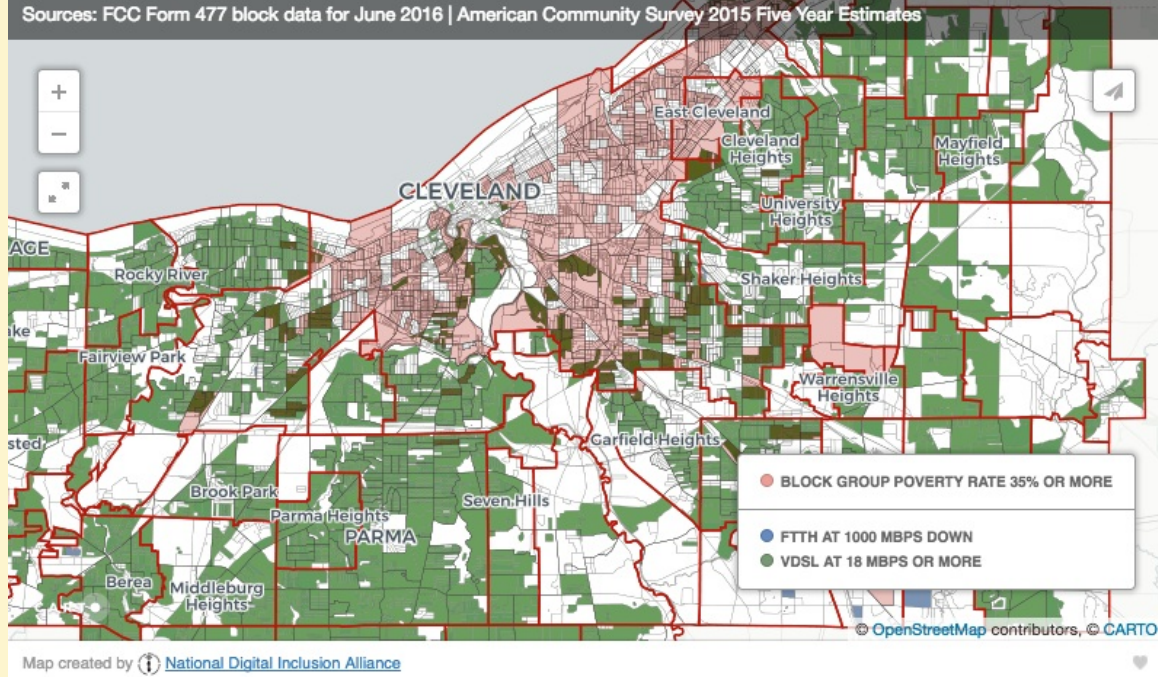
The conference brings together libraries, social agencies, trainers, policy makers and more from across the US. It included two very important sessions on digital Inclusion and the disabled community and digital inclusion and Tribal communities in the US.

NARALO has a history of reaching out to these communities through the Indigenous Fellowship and our prior participation of ALSes focused on special needs. I encouraged more than 30 people to get involved with NARALO and ICANN in general and am following up with four specific individuals from Arizona and New Mexico who work in Tribal libraries. Next year's conference is planned for Charlotte, NC.

Here's a [very interesting NDIA report](#) by Bill Callahan about broadband deployment and low income communities in Cleveland.

Cuyahoga County Census blocks with AT&T VDSL or FTTH at maximum advertised download speeds of 18 mbps or more, June 2016 | Block groups with 35% or greater poverty

Sources: FCC Form 477 block data for June 2016 | American Community Survey 2015 Five Year Estimates



To watch the plenary and keynote of the conference, click [here](#).

[Pictures](#)

## Digital Inclusion Week

As part of their work, the National Digital Inclusion Alliance also organizes Digital Inclusion Week, happening this year from May 7-11th.



Their goal is to ensure that all people have access to the

Internet and the tools they need to use it. [And you can help.](#)

Use these tools to amplify the effort and call attention to the importance of digital inclusion. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Shauna Edson at [sedson@slcpl.org](mailto:sedson@slcpl.org) or 801.322.8151

Throughout the week use and check-out the hashtags #digitalinclusion, #DIW2018, and #digitalequityis.

## ALS report - Internet infrastructure comes to life in Ottawa:



What does the Internet look like? ISOC-NY Executive Director Shuli Hallak has taken photographs showing key parts of the physical infrastructure of the internet, including subsea cables, Facebook servers, and interconnection facilities.

As part of Digital Inclusion Week, Shuli will travel to

Ottawa on Monday, May 7th to give a slideshow of her work along with a talk describing Internet infrastructure. It's a lot like Internet Governance: inclusion means people need to understand how the Internet works beyond their connection.

The event is sponsored by the Ottawa Public Library and as part of Digital Access Day, which is being organized by National Capital FreeNet, CompuCorps Mentoring, and the Internet Society Canada Chapter.

Check out Shuli's work: [www.shulihallak.com](http://www.shulihallak.com)

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## ALS report - SF Bay Area ISOC Chapter Update:

- IGF-USA on the Road: The Chapter has teamed up with the IGF-USA and Cloudflare to hold the inaugural [IGF-USA on the Road event in San Francisco](#) on 2 May.
- Rural Broadband Project: The final report from the Chapter's project, "Bridging California's Rural/Urban Digital Divide with Mobile Broadband", will be presented during the [Silicon Valley AgTech Conference](#) on 3 May.
- Keep up to date with all our [latest news and activities](#).

Thanks to Susannah Gray for the information.

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## ALS report - Telecommunities Canada:

- Telecommunities Canada member Brian Beaton is also on the Board of the First Mile Connectivity



Consortium, an award-winning not-for-profit that represents First Nation Internet service providers and residents in remote and rural First Nation communities across Canada.

- On April 16th they released a book celebrating the achievements of remote and rural Indigenous communities in the effective use of digital information and communication technologies and their struggles against systemic and circumstantial obstacles like political silos, lack of infrastructure and challenging environments, and to encourage others to continue this important effort.

To download the book, [click here](#).



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