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As always, please send along information about your ALS, your work as an Unaffiliated Member, NARALO, ICANN or other Internet governance-

related resources or analyses. Please send to [Shelley Robinson](#) by the 20th of each month. To keep things readable we're looking for the briefest of briefs.

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

- Shelley Robinson, NARALO Newsletter Editor

At-Large/ALAC Public Comments & Advice

All of NARALO and the At-Large community are invited to contribute to [ICANN public comment](#) proceedings. For more, please visit the [At-Large Policy Advice Development Page](#) or contact [At-Large staff](#).

The following public comments were announced in July:

- [Recommendations for Managing IDN Variant Top-Level Domains](#) closes 03 September 2018
- [Initial Report on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process \(Overarching Issues & Work Tracks 1-4\)](#) closes 06 September 2018
- [Proposals for Devanagari, Gurmukhi, and Gujarati Scripts' Root Zone Label Generation Rules](#) closes 10 September 2018
- [Draft ICANN Africa Strategic Plan 2016-2020 Version 3.0](#) closes 10 September 2018

Have your say! To contribute to ALAC public comment, please comment on the wiki space or volunteer as penholder.

The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) ratified 2 Policy Advice Statements in July:

- [Draft Community Travel Support Guidelines](#)
The ALAC submitted a detailed Statement representing the Internet end user community within ICANN. The ALAC noted At-Large is unique within the ICANN community in that most volunteers in At-Large activities do so as true volunteers. None travel in support of their employers, few are employed by what could be considered the domain name industry or in activities supporting it, and many are not even employed in jobs supporting the Internet.
- [Draft Proposal of the New Fellowship Program Approach](#)
The ALAC provided extensive community comment on (4) issues related to the Draft Proposal of the New Fellowship Program Approach, including application and selection criteria of the Fellowship Program, as well as on-site recommendations and post-meeting requirements.

See: [At-Large Website Policy Comments & Advice](#)

ALAC Update

- The ALAC held its [July Monthly Call](#).
- Ratified the [ALAC Statement on the Draft Community Travel Support Guidelines](#) and [Draft Proposal of the New Fellowship Program Approach](#).
- Invited applications for two ALAC travel slots to the [ICANN63 Annual General Meeting \(AGM\) in Barcelona, Spain from 20-25 October 2018](#).
- Confirmed its two Members and two Alternates to the ICANN Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP). The two EPDP Members are Alan Greenberg, ALAC Chair and Hadia Elminiawi, AFRALO ALAC Member; the two EPDP Alternates are Holly Raiche, APRALO ALAC Member and Seun Ojedeji, AFRALO ALAC Member.
- The 4 ALAC liaisons (GAC/SSAC/GNSO/ccNSO) will be reappointed for one more year (2018-2019), [as determined](#) on the July Monthly Call. The ALAC liaison to the GAC is Yrjö Länsipuro; liaison to the SSAC is Andrei Kolesnikov; liaison to the GNSO is Cheryl Langdon-Orr; liaison to the ccNSO is Barrack Otieno. See all ALAC Leadership Profiles [here](#).

New ICANN Leadership Positions!

The ICANN 2018 Nominating Committee announced its selections for eight leadership positions within ICANN.

For the ICANN Board of Directors this includes Rafael "Lito" Ibarra from Latin America/Caribbean Islands, Lousewies van der Laan from Europe and Tripti Sinha from North America.

Tripti Sinha is Assistant Vice President and Chief Technology Officer within the Division of Information Technology for the University of Maryland. She is also Executive Director of the Mid-Atlantic Crossroads (MAX), a GigaPoP. She has more than 25 years of technology leadership experience in areas ranging from software engineering to advanced cyber infrastructure.



Tripti Sinha

New At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) members include Joanna Kulesza from Europe and NARALO's own Javier Rúa-Jovet from North America.

At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)



Joanna Kulesza
Europe



Javier Rúa-Jovet
North America

New Council of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) members include Laura Margolis from Latin America / Caribbean Islands and Ajay Data from Asia / Australia / Pacific Islands. Finally, Erika Mann from Europe was selected for the Council of the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO).

Those selected will take up their positions after the end of ICANN's Annual General Meeting, during ICANN63, scheduled for 20 October - 25 October 2018 in Barcelona, Spain.

The Nominating Committee is charged with recruiting and selecting a portion of ICANN's leadership and is mandated to ensure that ICANN's overall leadership is diverse in geography, culture, skills, experience, and perspective. Thanks to them for all their work!

RALO Discretionary Funding

Given the significant success of the FY18 ABR request for RALO Discretionary Funding, for FY19, the ALAC requests that each of the five RALOs be given access up to \$4,000 each for targeted local discretionary funds to permit the local travel, luncheons, displays, graphic and promotional Facebook/Twitter graphics.

For more information, including criteria, please see the [related workspace](#).

Message from Marita: Incoming NARALO ALAC Member



Dear NARALO members, thank you for electing me as your next representative on the ALAC council starting after ICANN63 in Barcelona.

Perhaps this is a good opportunity for a brief introduction. I live in Ottawa, Canada but was born in Germany. I carry a Canadian passport but also consider myself very much a citizen of the world. I speak French, German and a bit of Dutch as well as English. In addition to my role as Telecommunities Canada representative for NARALO, I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) which manages the .ca domain name.

I have been an internet policy junkie from the moment I sent my first e-mail in 1993 and very active domestically in keeping the public interest on the radar as the internet rapidly became an essential feature in our personal, social and economic lives. Together with other researchers, I have edited and produced a number of collections of essays on internet policy issues -- including net neutrality, privacy, security, and calls for a digital policy strategy. More information on these publications can be found [here](#).

In the early days, when locally established freenets, and community networks jumped onboard to offer public access to e-mail, newsgroups and community discussion lists, there was a real feeling of magic in the air. Now, much more sophisticated applications have become part of our everyday lives. But it is still crucial that we continue to demand public input to communications policy making. I am here to keep fighting for end-

user input into the evolution of the most important communications innovation in recent history. Through its multistakeholder system, ICANN offers an opportunity to do that.

Over the next two years, I will be communicating with NARALO members regularly - through this newsletter, at meetings, on-line and in person, and through discussion on the lists. I will be listening to your ideas and looking for ways to reflect your opinions in upcoming policy work.

- Marita Moll, Incoming NARALO ALAC Member

New NARALO Member: George Kirikos



George has been following ICANN policymaking for more than 15 years, and joined the At-Large NARALO this past month.

He's the president of Leap of Faith Financial Services Inc., a company based in Toronto, Canada that owns and develops a number of domain names and websites used by millions of users from all over the world every year including math.com and school.com. His personal background is in economics and finance.

Welcome George!

ICANN DNS Symposium



On July 13th in Montreal, Canada ICANN organized a who's who symposium on the future of DNS entitled "Attention, Domain Name System: Your 30-year scheduled maintenance is overdue."

Organized a day before the recent Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) meeting, panelists included Paul Mockapetris, who invented the DNS 30 years ago. In that time we have evolved from the early experimentation and implementation of the formative domain name standards to a distributed name resolution system with millions of name servers that process billions of queries daily.

The event was very informative on the history and the inner workings of the DNS. Special note to the excellent afternoon session by Warren Kumari and Suzanne Woolf.

You can view most of the slides and speaker pictures [here](#).

Recordings available [here](#).



Thanks to ICANN and support from the RALO discretionary fund to permit me the opportunity to attend this event.

- Glenn McKnight, NARALO Secretariat

On July 27th, IGF-USA was held in Washington DC. Hosted by the Center for International and Strategic Studies, it featured panels on the future of work, privacy frameworks, connectivity, competition, smart cities, platform content moderation, extra-territoriality of court ruling and fake news.



A number of NARALO members attended. To find out more, search for the #IGFUSA hashtag on Twitter or check out their videos [here](#).

Glenn McKnight, NARALO Secretariat took some photos, available [here](#).

Incoming ALAC Chair, Maureen Hilyard



Alan Greenberg, ALAC Chair and Maureen Hilyard, Incoming ALAC Chair at ICANN62.

The ALAC has elected Maureen Hilyard as ALAC Chair for the period of one year, beginning at the end of the ICANN63 Annual General Meeting.

Hilyard is a project manager and consultant for development projects in the Cook Islands. She has a Master of Management although her former career was in education.

She founded an NGO - the Cook Islands Internet Action Group (CIIAG) which advocates for internet development focusing on accessibility and affordability and which became an ALS in 2011. She is a member of the Telecommunications Advisory Committee that advises the Minister.

Maureen joined the Pacific Islands Chapter of the Internet Society (PICISOC) in 2006 after meeting Vint Cerf at a PacINET held in Samoa. She ran PacINET in 2008 and joined the Board in 2009. She was Board Chair from 2011 until 2014, and was Secretary in 2015. Her interest in internet governance was spurred by a Diplo Course on IG in 2008 after which she was awarded a fellowship to attend her first IGF in Hyderabad. The following year she was an ISOC Ambassador at the Sharm el Sheikh IGF.

In 2010 Maureen was awarded an ICANN Fellowship to attend her first ICANN meeting in Cartagena and was soon captured by ALAC and a working group reviewing the regions. The Pacific became more integrated into the ICANN system as before attending her next ICANN meeting in 2012 in Costa Rica, she maintained contact through APRALO and ALAC meetings as well as joining into other working groups.

Maureen has now attended more than 12 ICANN meetings, is involved in a number of working groups, and has been penholder for a number of ALAC policy statements.

ICANN62 Panama: By the Numbers!

At the end of July, ICANN published their By the Numbers Report for ICANN62 in Panama City, Panama. It includes technical, demographic, and attendance statistics and summarizes the findings from ICANN's third Policy Forum of the [current meeting strategy](#). The report is part of ICANN's commitment to transparency.

Highlights included:

- 1,113 checked-in participants, with 303 listing their region as Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 22% of attendees participated for the first time.
- 247 sessions were held for a total of 416 hours.
- 543 attendees logged into the schedule website and mobile platform.
- 10,465 gigabytes of data as network traffic.
- 9% of network traffic was IPv6 (5% decrease from ICANN61 in San

Juan, Puerto Rico).

Read the full report [here](#).

Video resource: From Network Neutrality to Network Self-Determination

Suggested by Glenn McKnight



In this TED-X Roma talk, Luca Belli discusses the turn the Internet has taken since people have realized that our data could be exploited.

Luca Belli, PhD, is Senior Researcher at the Center for Technology and Society (CTS) of Fundação Getulio Vargas, Rio de Janeiro, and works at the interface of law and technology, focusing on the impact of ICTs on fundamental rights. Luca also served as a Network Neutrality Expert for the Council of Europe and worked as an agent for the Council of Europe Internet Governance Unit.

Belli believes network self-determination is the solution to bring back net neutrality.

Next NARALO Monthly Meeting: Monday, 13 August 2018 at 19:00 UTC

The agenda and call details can be found [here](#).

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

NARALO Secretariat Report

Another way to [stay on top of events](#) across the region!

Glenn's Summertime Bliss



Some of you might be at the cottage or beach but I spend my time in the hot sun at a six acre community garden - we have a number of community gardeners helping out and the harvest supports the local food bank.

We are working on a way to showcase off-the-grid power with a 500 Watt solar system in our 17' x 72' greenhouse. And a new addition is our trailer for workshops, we are now planning two public events.

One of our challenges is our 1959 tractor which has refused to start this year despite replacing the gas, fuel filter, batter and coil. Someone suggested vacuuming out the tailpipe for possible mice nests blocking the exhaust.

For pictures of us working on the tractor without any success, [click here](#).

- Glenn McKnight, NARALO Secretariat

Thanks for reading! Do you have suggestions, concerns or information to add to a future NARALO newsletter? Want to update us on life outside of ICANN?

Please send all ideas to [Shelley Robinson](#).

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