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RENATE DE WULF: The recorder has started Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Renate. Good morning, good afternoon, good evening everyone. This is the cross community working group on Internet Governance conference call, I think it's bi-weekly conference call now. The time is 13:04 UTC. Let's start with the roll call please Renate.

RENATE DE WULF: We have in the room Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Becky Burr, Bill Drake, Hector Ariel Manoff, Juuso Moisander, Lynn St. Amour, Olof Nordling, Veni Markovski, Nigel Hickson, and myself Renate De Wulf. Is there anybody else on the phone who is not in the AC room?

Nope, so that's it. It's done.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks very much Renate. Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. And today's call is going to be just a little bit, very much like our last call, looking quickly if there any updates on the WSIS plus 10, and reminding you all of the working table for the comments on the paper, if one has any. There are a few links [CROSSTALK]...

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RENATE DE WULF: I'm sorry about that Olivier. I tried to stop it, but it doesn't seem to work.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. What language is this?

RENATE DE WULF: That was in Dutch, for some reason.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: In Dutch. Okay. At least I know [CROSSTALK]... shouted at. So starting in the middle of the sentence. My name is Olivier, and we don't have much of an update on the working table at the moment. There is potentially a link that we need to have that links to the Internet society's matrix.

They have done one very limited to a one specific set of input, I think it was the government input. And then we are going to look at our two sessions in Dublin. The public session and the working session. Are there any additions or amendments to the agenda at this point in time?

No one has put their hand up, so the agenda is approved as it is. Let's go to agenda item number two then, and that's the update on WSIS plus 10. I mentioned the link to the Internet Society's matrix of input, which has been found to be very helpful by those people who had the link.

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I'm sorry I did not have the time this week to forward it to the mailing list, but I shall do this after this call. Nigel Hickson, are there any additional updates that differ from our call two weeks ago?

NIGEL HICKSON:

Yes, yes. Thank you very much Olivier. And [inaudible] might have recent views. I'm actually away so I [inaudible] for a couple of days. But I mean, in terms of what we've been doing, as you know, we did a brief summary on paper, which I circulated. That's really just from the government's incomes. The, as you say, the Internet Society [inaudible] is more comprehensive, and I think that in their, what they have done is looked at certain countries and not just their comments on the paper, but also on the, you know, on the comments of the governments back in August as well.

So that gives a fairly comprehensive position on what the governments are, what the governments are thinking. So from our side, we're waiting for the zero draft, and of course [inaudible] I have, might have news on that. So I'll stop there.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks very much Nigel. Let's here from Veni Markovski.

VENI MARKOVSKI:

Yeah, there is no news. I expect that the [inaudible] will be published like today or in the next couple of days.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks for this Veni. That was a very quick update. It's Olivier speaking.

VENI MARKOVSKI: I just muted for myself a moment, sorry Olivier. I just muted myself for a second because it was noisy. The, well maybe just need to know is that once the zero draft is published, we'll have time to comment again. So the exercise that we did for the non-paper we can do for the zero draft, one. And two, you say this is a bi-weekly call, which means that the next week, the next call will be while you guys will be in Dublin.

I won't be in Dublin because I'll be at WSIS [inaudible], so if you can schedule... I mean, I don't know when you are meeting, but if it's like in the morning, I won't be able to join you. But I will be happy to provide feedback to the group through Nigel.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much for this Veni. And a question for you, the meetings which you will have in New York at the time, are they falling on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of the ICANN week? Or are they happening just over the weekend or before that?

VENI MARKOVSKI: No, no. Monday through Thursday. So Monday is the public consultation and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday is the [inaudible]. The good news though, as far as I know, is it seems like the governmental [inaudible] will be open for participants to stay and listen.

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So whoever comes for the Monday open consultations will be able to stay through the rest of...

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. That's good. Thanks for this Veni. Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. And one last, well it's not a question actually, but our meetings, are face to face meeting, being on the Monday afternoon UTC time, it will probably be your morning in New York, Monday morning in New York. I'm not sure you will be able to make it or not to our meeting through remote participation, but it would be interesting so as to have the latest news from New York.

And I hope I'm still on the call. [CROSSTALK] Great, thank you. Thank you Renate. I see Bill Drake has put his hand up. Bill, you have the floor.

BILL DRAKE: Hello everybody. I hope you can hear me okay. I have a new headset here that I'm testing out. Just two points of information. One, Olivier you just said, if I understood you correctly, that the face to face meeting is on Monday. On the ICANN schedule, it's listed as being on Wednesday morning at 8:30.

So I'm not quite sure what you mean there. Perhaps you can clarify that. I had a question also for Veni or Nigel, or anybody else, who has been close to the action. And that is, I was just curious, the G 77 document, in calling for the creation of a new inter-governmental forum for dialogue, promised to be providing details of that proposal relatively soon.

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Has there been any further information about that shared with anybody? Do we have any idea of what it is they're thinking? Or do we have any idea when they will actually share their thinking? Etc. Just very curious about that proposal, and how they see... I'm also curious how they could get a link to IGF renewal. But anyway, I just want to hear more about that if anybody knows anything. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Bill. It's Olivier speaking. Thanks for correcting me. Obviously I have my wires completely mangled at the moment. Indeed, Wednesday morning is the face to face working session, and hopefully Veni would be able to join us from New York, or find some time to provide [us with some] details of the first two days.

You won't be. Okay. Well, never mind we'll find out...

It is 2:30 in the morning, isn't it? Yeah, it's very late. Now with regards to the points that Bill had made, is anyone able to provide some details on this? Nigel or Veni?

NIGEL HICKSON: Well, yeah. So the [inaudible] made two contributions, one in August, in terms of the construction of the non-paper, the comments on the non-paper themselves. The second comment, the second comments they made really repeated the first, with just a different introduction. So we haven't seen anything further from the G 77, and certainly I haven't seen anything that, if you like, further illuminates their thinking on the

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sort of governmental [inaudible] or UN forum for discussing Internet governance issues.

But, I mean, this idea is not new. [I mean, India] put forward something a couple of years ago on this, and others have suggested having some sort of UN committee to look at Internet governance issues. So that, I mean we haven't had any further details, and I mean, we will wait with [zero patience] and see if it picks up any ideas or not.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay.

VENI MARKOVSKI: And Bill, I will address your question. I will address your question a little bit later this week. Appeal to you guys always, when you have questions like that if you can email us, at least me, if the question relates to the UN. Just a few days in advance so I can actually reach out to somebody in G7 and find out.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Veni. That would be helpful. Any follow up Bill?

Can't quite hear you Bill Drake. Is there any follow up from you? I note that you said in the chat the forum framing is new.

BILL DRAKE: I'm sorry. I muted...

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, go ahead.

BILL DRAKE: I was muted and multitasking. No, yeah, I understand that the idea of having a space is due, but this is a, there is old, but this is a new spin, right? I mean, for a long time the work was we needed or a body that had some teeth and could make decisions, and things like that. And now they've come out with well, we at least want space to talk to each other.

At least that's how I would understand a forum framing. And if so, that is, that to me, a categorically different proposal, and I know when I talk to some people through the G 77 about it at the front end, it seemed to me that their objectives were indeed rather different from what it had been back in the days of the Indian [inaudible] proposal and so on.

So I was just wondering if they had gotten around to specifying it, or at least telling people when they would specify it, but if they had not given any indications yet, then okay, I will talk to some people in Dublin, if I don't hear anything before. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Bill. Are there any other questions or thoughts on this? I see Veni Markovski. Veni, you have the floor.



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VENI MARKOVSKI: My question was rather not a question, but the, let's really wait for the [inaudible] but let's also wait for the meeting in October, because until late last week, nobody at the UN was really engaged a lot with the WSIS issues, because of the high level summit and [inaudible] meeting. So we will...

And the G 77 are already having certain disagreements within the groups, so based mainly on slight changes in the provisions of countries like India, [inaudible], and China. And let's see how this is going to fly at the UN from October 18<sup>th</sup> on.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Veni. Other concerns, questions? I don't see anybody putting their hand up, so that's a good update. Thank you everyone. And we look forward to all of this moving towards the full face to face meeting in New York. In the meantime, may I ask Veni if you do have any updates to provide us with on the process...?

I know this really is what you're focusing on right now, if you could think emailing them over to our mailing list, that would be really helpful in the run up to Dublin, and we might have whatever documents or any information that emerges that we can take into account when we meet face to face.

NIGEL HICKSON: Olivier, this is Nigel. Just briefly, so when we get the zero draft, we'll obviously copy around. Lots of people would have seen it anyway. And we'll... Sorry, hold on. There is lots of noise here. But we'll try and,

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we'll probably be commenting on it as well, so we'll have to look at that.  
Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks for this. Thank you Nigel. All right. We have spent the allocated time on this part of the call, so I guess we can move to the next agenda item. And that's all about our preparation for the two sessions we have in Dublin. The first one that we'll focus on is the public session. There is a link, in our agenda that goes to the actual agenda page, announcement page.

And it's a Wiki page. It has just a very draft agenda there, update and discussion on WSIS plus 10 review process, including a debate on the draft output paper to be agreed at the UN General Assembly in December, and renewal of the IGF mandate. Preparation for IGF in Brazil, discussion of the ICANN objectives specifically, and number three, other pertinent Internet governance issues.

I think that since Bill is going to be the moderator for this session, maybe I should hand the floor over to him, or ask him if there is anything in addition that we need to work out at the moment. There is a rather long list of... Well, there is a list of potential invitees that we have, but the whole format and so on, we've already discussed, ad infinitum.

I think we're pretty much set for this. And I guess I can just ask Bill Drake, is there anything else that we need to add or to discuss with regards to those, the agenda itself and perhaps develop the agenda further?

BILL DRAKE:

Okay. First of all, I'm the co-moderator along with Matthew Shears. Matthew, as I understood it, is going to do the first 40 minutes on WSIS plus 10. And I'm supposed to do the second meeting, or the second session, which is the IGF meeting in the larger politics around it, that was the label that was put on there.

And there had been exchanges of suggestions around people that we would have as conversation starters. I presume that we are indeed, as discussed and prayed for before, doing a U-shaped room in a more interactive thing. We are not doing anything remotely like what we did in Buenos Aires, that was my understanding, but rather more like Singapore, where we had fewer people as conversation starters, everybody at the table together, and more interaction from the get go.

We still need to identify, I don't think we have to spend a lot of time worrying about exactly what would be the topics covered in the discussions. I think that Matt can figure out some good questions to ask about WSIS plus 10, and I can figure out some good questions to ask about the IGF, and we can have a discussion. That will be fine, but I do think we have to decide on people.

I had suggested, with regard to the IGF part, at the suggestion of Marilyn [Kay], she pointed out that [inaudible], from AT&T in India, who is a very active IGF [MAG] member, was going to be at this meeting. If so, I thought he might be a good business sector person to have on, because he's very deeply engaged. From a Civil Society standpoint, I thought it might be useful, and I suggested this also on the email list, to

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have Jeremy Malcolm from the Electronic Frontiers Foundation. EFF is, of course, a very prominent NGO and has become a NCUC member in the past couple of months, and Jeremy has a long standing relationship with the IGF for being a little bit critical but supportive of it, and [inaudible] about it.

And he's a fairly interesting character, and relatively new to the ICANN world. And since we wanted to get new faces, I thought that would be good, and he would stir things up a bit. And then I suggested Marcus [inaudible], who is on the Board now of course, and was formally the head of the secretariat. And he has been deeply involved in the effort to do intersessional work, which is a new and important thing within ICANN.

If [inaudible] is coming, she would have been great for that too, because she has been very involved in the intersessional work, but she will be in New York. So unfortunately, there is a little problem of gender there, obviously, but maybe we can make it up on the other side. But I think those three, at least, would be good people to have as folks to boot to for the IGF discussion.

Yeah, I know, I guess if we wanted to expand to four per a discussion, as long as the moderators are real, you know, time clock Nazis about it, and keep everybody to two minutes or so on, we could probably do that for more diversity and so on. But I think those three would be worth talking about.

On the WSIS plus 10, it's harder because it's harder to find people who are really plugged in, and totally tracking what's going on in the WSIS

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plus 10 process. And those who are will be in New York, so Marilyn [Kay] will not be at this meeting.

As I said Constance [inaudible], from ISOC, will not be at this meeting. And then the other problem is that the government people, who are tracking this, many of them have to be in the GAC. So I had reached out to John [inaudible] from Santos from Brazil, and he said, "Sorry I have to be in the GAC meeting at that time."

And I think that that probably would happen with most GAC members. So I don't know that we're going to get a governmental person there, unless we could ask Larry Strickling. Larry is not directly engaged in the WSIS plus 10 stuff as much as he is the ICANN stuff, obviously, but he is able to sneak out of GAC meetings, because he's got Suzanne and others there handling it.

But the question remains, who to have in that session? Now, there had been a view expressed by one person that we should be striving very hard to have only speakers from the community, rather than staff. I personally don't think that that's a problem. We are in this CCW, I think, trying to work as a collaboration between staff and the community in a close way.

And so my feeling would be, since Nigel is following these things closely, will be with us, whereas Veni will be in New York, I would strongly suggest having Nigel lead off the framing update of what's going on, and then having a couple of people key off of that. And I have reached out to Constance and said, "Is there anybody from ISOC going to be there,

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whose closely engaged besides you?” And she said, “I’ll get back to you,” and has not.

I don’t know if [inaudible] is following the WSIS plus 10 process closely. Otherwise, I think we may have to be a little bit more free form here, with people who are not necessarily spending their time in New York, but who nevertheless have a close appreciation of what’s happening. And can put it into historical context and so on.

So I would suggest that we try to settle on a couple of names, particularly if we’re going to not have another meeting before Dublin. I think we have to decide this and get it posted on the website. Right now the link doesn’t really have much information on the schedule. So one possibility here, I think Lynn had expressed willingness to be part of something, if she still is, then I would suggest perhaps that she could be on this session.

And she’s saying, “No, no, no.” So okay, then I withdraw that suggestion. We could... That’s a very immediate response Lynn. We could put you on the IGF bit instead, or we could just go in another direction, but we do need to have some folks that we can put in there, who are following WSIS plus 10.

Now there are people we’ve used in the past, [inaudible], but of course, I tend to think of the Civil Society people immediately, because those are the folks that I’m interacting with the most. And so I need others to make suggestions. Have I looked through the ICANN registration list, Lynn? No I have not. I am totally slammed with other things and have not been able to do that.

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But so I would take any suggestion from people, let's have a conversation. And please put some names forward that you would think would be appropriate, particularly for the WSIS plus 10 but for either, and let's get it settled. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Bill. And we have, indeed, I think, with regards to the two sessions, it looks like your suggestions for the IGF discussion is quite straightforward there. I've noted three people who I believe could be confirmed. The WSIS plus 10 is indeed is going to be a bit difficult then all of the people who know about it are actually in New York.

So let's find out if we have anyone here with any suggestions. And I see that Lynn St. Amour has put her hand up. No doubt, she will say no, no, no to the suggestion of being in the WSIS plus 10, but she might also be able to provide some suggestions. Lynn, you have the floor.

LYNN ST. AMOUR: Thank you Olivier, and thank you Bill as well. No, I mean, obviously I'm always willing to help, but I'm sure Constance will get back to you with someone from ISOC, and I think that's enough. I'm still trying to maintain some distance so as not to confuse things. I mean, I very much support Nigel on the panel, and I think Nigel can do a good job of providing everybody with the kind of current state of play, and I think it's, you know, just as important that we spend a lot of time hearing from people in the community.

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You know, perhaps it's better to hear from those who aren't quite as deeply involved in WSIS, because I don't think any of us need to watch another WSIS insider discussion unfold. I'm willing to take a look through the registration list, and see if I can think of somebody else, Bill. I must admit, I've been so involved in all of the IANA stuff for a bit, I haven't paid a lot of attention to the WSIS plus 10.

And I also support, you know, [inaudible] and Marcus, they are for the, for your session as well. But as I said, I will actually commit to taking a look through the list and see if we can suggest anybody else, and if I come across anybody else with some of the other forums and things that I'm on, I'll send those suggestions along.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Lynn. It's Olivier speaking. And thanks for volunteering to take a look at the attendee list to try and find additional people to be on that panel. Certainly, with the amount of time we will have in that public session, the more interaction we can have with the audience, the better, and so we probably just would be looking for one or a couple of people, just to populate this. Perhaps someone from the business community would be an important thing.

No doubt, Nigel will be able to take us through the, all the state of what we've reached today, and no doubt, Matthew will be able to take us through the, some I guess, although he is moderating, will also be able to provide us with some news from Civil Society, and how Civil Society has been involved with this.



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I think it would probably be interesting to see the link between what is going on at UNGA, and at WSIS plus 10, with what's going on at IGF, with what's going on at the IANA stewardship transition, or maybe the other way around. How the IANA stewardship transition might be linked to some of the discussions, by taking in these other places, and whether there are consequences and so on.

But I leave both Matthew and Bill to direct the debates, when it takes place face to face at the time itself. Bill Drake, you have the floor.

BILL DRAKE:

So just to try to move this along. So we agree on Nigel, and then we just basically need two other bodies to start. I mean, as long as we've got three and three, as conversation boot-up people, then I think, you know, we can list that, and then the moderators will just be sure to call in everybody else, and it will be fine.

So in trying to think about two, my question is, we tend to get the others, this kind of funny divide in ICANN between people who are sort of Internet Governance policy wonks, and the people who are sort of more in the domain name business industry and so on. And I'm just wondering, can we think of anybody who is like in the contract parties, for example? Who follows WSIS type or UN type stuff?

Or maybe somebody from the intellectual property community, or the SSAC, or...? I'm just trying to... Can somebody poke me here with ideas, so that we can try and...? I would really like to resolve this now, and not like have to have multiple follow-up efforts to try to sort this out. So I mean, can somebody through some ideas at the wall of folks that they

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think are paying any attention to these issues, and would have some connection to them?

We could hold one slot as a sort of ISOC slot, and hope that they will populate it with somebody. But we should at least have another, and maybe from a different part of the constituency, not from the community. Not the usual IG works like me people. Yeah, Marilia is always great. Marilia is always happy to talk like stuff like this. Go ahead.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Bill, it's Olivier. I can think of a couple of suggestions. I have no idea whether they would be suitable or whether they would be interested in attending. I would certainly think it might be interesting to have someone from Google, for example, because they are involved in the new gTLD process. They're also involved in ICANN and they have a large contingent at ITF, a large... And certainly looking at the WSIS process and following that as well.

I don't know whether it's the same people. The other person I was thinking of, and just as a person, was [inaudible], from Afilias, who might be following the WSIS process. I certainly know that she is involved in a lot more than just ICANN, and she is very likely to be in Dublin at the time. I have no other suggestions at the moment, unfortunately.

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BILL DRAKE: I think [Des] is a good idea. She was involved throughout the main WSIS process 10 years ago, and certainly has very connected individuals plugged into what is going on. And I think, I would say that would be a sensible thing right there. You've got to contract it, so that would be great.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thanks for that then. So, I guess what we can do is to just, let's wait another few days. If anybody else has more suggestions for one more person, let's find out... Bill, are you going to follow-up with ISOC directly, or do you wish someone else to follow-up on this?

BILL DRAKE: I wish you to, you're the chair.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, I'll hand the floor to... I think that Nigel would be the person following-up.

NIGEL HICKSON: Yes, thank you, just...

BILL DRAKE: Okay, Nigel then.

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NIGEL HICKSON:

Yes, thank you. Just, Nigel here. Just very briefly. [Inaudible] would the idea, of course, she does follow this. I was on a panel with her in Finland last week discussing WSIS in relation to the IANA transition, and she's, of course, well versed in all of these issues. So should be great if available.

We'd also, of course, know, in terms of the substance of the sessions, given that it's on the Thursday... By the Thursday, we'll have a good record of what happened on the Monday in New York. So we'll be able to use the feedback from the New York session to illuminate the audience on the Thursday, so that should be useful.

And just to note one practical issue. So in terms of the website, in term of the meeting's agenda, and Renate might have some update on this, but when I left the office on Friday, I understood that it hadn't been posted. I mean, I think the reason it hadn't been posted is sort of fairly obvious to a lot of people, that there is still an issue of when the CCWG accountability sessions will be, and what nature they'll be, etc. where they fit in.

So the agenda hadn't been posted, but perhaps it will be posted today. I'm not sure. But anyway, on the agenda, we updated the agenda at the beginning of last week, or at least at the weekend, or whatever it was. So we had put the revised topics described slightly differently to what they are on the Wiki. You know, we agreed the text on those.

And so Bill's name and Matthew's name are down as the moderators for the session. We've got the main room on the Thursday session, and of course, we've requested the horseshoe configuration. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: That's great, Nigel. Thank you. Olivier speaking. So we're set for this, I think. I don't think there is anything else to add with regards to the IG public session. So I guess we'll leave it in your hands, and we'll follow up by email afterwards then, to contact all of the different people, and really we're set for this.

Do you have any other suggestions or anything else you wish to add Bill?

Bill Drake?

BILL DRAKE: Possibly because I'm multitasking. No, yeah, yeah. I'm here. Can you hear me? Can you hear me now?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, I can hear you. It was a telecommunication problem on my side. Go ahead.

BILL DRAKE: All right. No, no, no. I'm being a bad correspondent. Yes, no, I have no other... As long as Nigel or someone reaches out to the three people, and I think I did copy both of you guys on the messages with Constance, so as long as somebody reaches out to ISOC, and nails it down and then shoots a note to Dez, and Marcus, and Jeremy, and [inaudible], saying

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you're on, and then spells their name correctly on the program, I think we're all good to go. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Excellent. Thank you very much for this Bill. And then now let's look... It's Olivier speaking. Let's look at the face to face working session, as I incorrectly said earlier, it's not on Monday, it's on Wednesday, indeed. And that has an agenda already that's a little bit more fleshed out at the moment. First, it starts with the IGF Brazil preparation of the ICANN workshop on the transition of the IANA stewardship.

And as I, we've already rehearsed this in the past. We've actually done two similar presentations with different teams. A few questions on this. First we have a very long list of people that we have listed out to, in order to present the workshop so that it was going to be agreed by the [MAG].

I have concerns about the number of people there. A large list. There are only a couple of people that responded and said so far that they're not able to make it there. They will not be [inaudible]. So we are likely to have a long list of people. Secondly, as you know, the IANA stewardship process might work quite well so far, but the ICANN accountability seems to be taking its time.

And so we might need to discuss our strategy on what we are going to be discussing, and that's probably the main discussions that we will have in Dublin. Hopefully by that day, by Wednesday, we'll also know a little bit more of where the ICANN accountability process is. The

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accountability process feeds into the stewardship process, which feeds into the ICG, which feeds into NTIA, which feeds into blah, blah, blah.

It just goes on and on, but we're likely to be at a moment when we meet in [inaudible] with, weird situation that no one will really know if the process will succeed or not. That said, I think we should concentrate on the successes so far, and describing how it has gone so far. Bill, Nigel, and I have had a discussion on the number of panelists, or potential panelists.

Nigel, Bill is there anything that you would like to add on this, or...?

NIGEL HICKSON:

No I mean, sorry. This is Nigel. The session in Dublin clearly it's the face to face of the cross community working group, so I mean, it's useful to hear what people think about, you know, the session that's going to take place at the IGF in Brazil, but there is a separate issue, of course, of the panelist for the session in Brazil. And I had agreed to reach out to the panelists that are on the list, just to check that everyone is okay, because if they're not, then as you said, there is a lot of [inaudible].

So it wouldn't be necessary for us to lose a couple, as well, you, as long as we maintain a diverse string of participants. But we'll, I think I agreed that we would follow up with the panelists just to make sure that we know exactly that everyone is still coming to Brazil.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks Nigel. Bill Drake.

BILL DRAKE:

Not to replay here conversations that we've been having on email too much, because it's kind of not, got so much of a point to it. But I do think that we, for what we do in Brazil, we need to have a little bit more diverse set of viewpoints. I think that we need to be a little bit more geo-diverse as well, if we can.

So as I said to you guys, I hope we can do, whoever is doing this will do the follow-up and find out... Obviously [inaudible] invite anybody who is already, who was already invited in the first place. So if you guys can find out who is going to be, who is definitely on, then we can decide whether we can add one or two different kinds of voices into the mix.

A second point, I am a little concerned about, while we do want to be emphasizing the positive nature of the exercise, and I think, particularly in the context of the IGF this is relevant because after all, many people who are not inside the ICANN environment may have harbored, at various points in their lives, or even now, skepticism about the effectiveness of the multistakeholder model, and so demonstrating that said model was able to be employed usefully here is a good thing.

At the same time, I think we also should try to avoid looking like there was a big Kool-Aide dispenser, and pretending that there are no problems, strains, contradictions, tensions, ambiguities, or anything else. I think that that's probably not an ideal look, and if we do come across that way, then probably the kinds of questions that will come at us in the Q&A will be of a predictable sort.



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So, I hope that for that conversation, we can get the right mix, both the difference of people and substance. And what I wanted to talk about in the face to face meeting in Dublin, was exactly we conduct it, because the way we did it at the WSIS forum in, at the ITU, and the way we did it, we did something similar in another place that I'm blanking right now.

I think, oh the EuroDIG. I think we need to rethink the model a little bit, and because it is a completely different challenge to have an interactive conversation with 15 conversation starters. So we're going to have to agree... What I hope we would do would be to agree, because I'm stuck moderating to agree a few key questions that I would pose to the group and then we would identify who would take the lead in formulating initial responses.

So and I think somebody has to do a basic kind of quick overview of the frontend of the process, before people start to comment on it. So we have, there is something like I'll actually sit down and have a conversation about it. While using the time at one meeting to plan for another meeting might seem a little weird, we have a very hard time getting critical mass on these phone calls, and whereas at the actual ICANN meetings, we get 30 to 100 people in a room.

So it seems to me it's an appropriate time to try to like sort this. I'm not suggesting we should blow too much time doing meeting planning, but think we should have a conversation about how exactly we conduct it. So that was why I was arguing we should do this here. So I'll stop. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much Bill. Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. That's a good point moving forward. So I guess the action item for this really is to get in touch with all of the currently listed people in that workshop, and obtain their confirmation that they will be available and present. And we can do that before we meet face to face, and when we meet face to face, we'll engage in the discussion which you have laid out, just now, with hopefully a lot more people in the room than the five or six that are on this current phone call.

It looks like a good way forward. Nigel, will you be doing then the follow-up with the people listed? Or have you maybe already started? I think you might have.

NIGEL HICKSON: Yes, thank you. It's Nigel here. Yes, I will do the follow-up from Geneva, and report back to you, and [inaudible], and of course, we'll have a clearer situation in Dublin. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you. Okay. Thanks. Now the next thing in the agenda was the IGF Brazil, discussion of ICANN's activities as they support and relate to the IGF. My thinking about that was that it was going to be an update, most probably from both staff, on the one side, but also from others in the room who are organizing activities, and I wonder whether there is a master list somewhere, of all of the ICANN related, so not only ICANN run but ICANN related workshops.

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I seem to have seen some in the past IGFs, but I haven't seen one yet.  
Bill Drake?

BILL DRAKE:

This is on the other point, sorry. I just received an email from [inaudible] saying that he will be in Dublin, and can represent ISOC on the panel about WSIS plus 10. So that would then give us Nigel, [inaudible], and Des. My only problem then is that we only have one woman and five men.

And that's not a good look. So I'm wondering, sorry I don't mean to revert back, but I just really would like to sort this out before, and then we can do your other thing real quick. Online, perhaps, if people could suggest, we could go to four, in for a conversation starter and just, you know, keep them short.

So please suggest an additional female person for each of those two conversations on the list, and we'll go from there. Thank you. And on your, on the point that you're actually trying to talk about, I have nothing.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Okay. Thanks for this Bill. I was going to ask actually, regarding the point that you just made, will the moderator of that session be ready to wear a tu-tu?

I gather not. Okay. Back to this session then, the face to face...

BILL DRAKE: You know, after the trouble you go in, in Sofia, do you really want to be making jokes like that? Let's leave it. Thanks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I'm just asking. We're looking at balance, and I see that it's going to be a really tough one here, because of the fact that most of the people will be in New York for this. Let's see what we come up with. I know Lynn, in any case, will be looking through the list of attendees, and maybe she can come up with someone from the list.

Going over to IGF Brazil again. Would staff, then, be making the... So yes, my suggestion, if I can repeat it. Staff makes an update on the ICANN activities. Others who are running working groups would be making an update on what working group or session that they're going to be running in the IGF.

I think that probably gives a good, or better view of idea, of what workshops there will be, but I don't know whether there is a federating page that actually lists all of the ICANN related workshops, including those made by different parts of the GNSO, or parts of the ccNSO, or the ALAC, or others, or SSAC.

Is there such a page now? And I don't even know who usually organizes such a page.

Nigel, do you know by any chance?

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NIGEL HICKSON:

Yes, thank you, it's Nigel here. I mean, I don't really think we do, or it's probably not our business to do so. I mean, there are a number of events where ICANN community members are involved. To my knowledge, there are only two specific workshops which we, if you like, were involved in trying to organize, or organizing this one. The one that we've just been talking about, and one with LACRALO, that our Latin American engagement people are spearheading.

So and then, of course, is the ICANN open forum itself, which is on the Wednesday. This is the usual sort of hour and a half, two hours forum that ICANN asks for. And we've also secured a slot on day zero, where for the IANA transition discussions, or for discussion on the IANA stewardship transition. The sort of direction usually would be on accountability or whatever that hasn't been sort of finalized yet.

But you're right, I mean, there are other sessions that other people are involved in, and we could certainly go through the list. And so for Dublin, we could update approval on that. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

Thanks for this Nigel. It's Olivier speaking. What I was going to suggest, I could fire off an email certainly to the ALAC and find out if any workshops are organized by some of the At-Large structures in the At-Large community. Anyone in the GNSO, and I think maybe Bill or anyone else, can fire an email over to the GNSO different mailing list, and find out if there are any workshops run by parts of the, stakeholder groups of the GNSO.

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I know that there are a few that I've seen already on the schedule. And I'm just trying to share the load here, and once we've got that, then I guess we can just have one Wiki page made up with the listing of all of the workshops that might be something interesting or helpful for our community. Bill Drake?

And you are probably muted at the moment.

BILL DRAKE:

I need to stop doing that. I'm sorry, I'm trying to upload my course lectures at the same time here. So you want to have a listing of events from people in the ICANN community at the IGF, is that right? Is that what you're saying?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

It's just a suggestion.

BILL DRAKE:

Okay. I think it's a good suggestion. There are at least a dozen workshops organized by NCUC people. So I can certainly send along of list of some. And then there are many other... Do you want just organized by or community people on them?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

It's Olivier speaking. I'm open to anything here at this time, and it's probably something that the whole group can discuss once we've got a list in front of us.

BILL DRAKE: Okay. So...

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: So it's just whatever you think is more helpful for the ICANN community to see the interests that they might have in [inaudible].

BILL DRAKE: I would think this is simple, you just send a message to the list, and then people can crowd source in reply, and somebody aggregates the responses.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, excellent. Thanks for this Bill. And the last part of the face to face agenda was the planning of the working group for its activities between Dublin and Marrakesh meetings. Is there anything that we need in advance to this?

I was wondering whether we should perhaps continue looking at the, or have ready for the meeting, whatever calendars there are to plan on the WSIS plus 10 activities, and all of the other Internet Governance activities that are going out there. I know that Marilyn [Kade] has worked with staff to produce a calendar. Is this up to date? And should this be updated ahead of our face to face meeting?

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Perhaps I can ask Renate regarding that, the calendar of Internet Governance activities. I think that Marilyn is working on this. Is it with Alexia?

RENATE DE WULF: It's with Alexander. And it has been updated about a month ago, I think.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay thanks. So perhaps we could ask that this be updated ahead of our face to face meeting, and then we'll be able to refer to this when we discuss this part in our face to face meeting, so agenda item four in the face to face meeting.

RENATE DE WULF: Okay. I will coordinate with Alex.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much Renate. And that, I think, is the bulk of the discussions we needed to have today. Is there any other business to discuss?

Don't see anyone putting their hand up. So I'd like to thank all of you for being on this call, and for your contributions. We have a couple of action items following up from this call. I don't see them in the list at the moment, but Renate, I believe you've taken them.



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RENATE DE WULF:                    Yeah, I will run them by you before posting them.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:        Okay. Thanks for this Renate. And I'd like to, look forward to seeing you all in Dublin. And if not, see you all in the future on the Internet. In the meantime, this call is adjourned. Thanks and goodbye.

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