
GISELLA GRUBER: [inaudible]to all those who have joined us on the AFRALO Showcase Marrakech call on Monday the 23rd of November at 17:00 UTC. On today's call, we have Seun Ojedeji, Mohamed El Bashir, Barrack Otieno, Sarah Kiden, Dave Kissondoyal, Daniel Nanghaka, Beran Gillen, Remmy Nweke. On the French channel, we have Aziz Hilali and Tijani Ben Jemaa. No apologies noted. And from staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, and myself, Gisella Gruber.

If I could please remind everyone to please state the names when speaking for transcript purposes, and also please to allow the interpreters to identify you on the other channel. Thank you very much and Tijani will be our chair for this evening. Over to you, Tijani.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much, Gisella. Good evening, everyone. This is the first conference call for the showcase we're going to be holding in Marrakech. You're all here because you're part of the organizing committee. We've already started to work in Dublin and I'll say our work is underway. We've made some improvements. And before we do decide anything, I'm going to give the floor to Aziz so that he can give us a brief overview of what we have done so far.

So I think we should see how far we got with [inaudible]. Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI:

Thank you, Tijani. I hope everyone hears me. Before we go into detail, I'd like to remind all the members of the group that I am very grateful to them for preparing all the activities that we're going to be holding in Marrakech.

Every time ICANN has a meeting in Africa, AFRALO has always been at the helm of progress. We've always been the ones to launch new initiatives. And so our RALO is always a step ahead of the other RALOs, who always follow in our footsteps. After Dakar, everyone started doing showcases. We also had all the ALSes of AFRALO come to the meeting. I think there were 18 or so, so we had all the ALSes there, and that was the first time we organized a capacity building session at Dakar.

At Durban, you remember we had meetings of Internet users. We had different workshops with teachers with associations in South Africa, and we also paid for the travel to some of the professionals of the neighbor countries.

Now for Marrakech, [inaudible] thinking how to outdo ourselves, and we thought we could have people from all regions of Morocco and all people from the Mediterranean region of Africa. Why not? We started to work with the ICANN team and we started to work on our capacity building sessions and you remember at our last AFRALO meeting, we created an organizing committee from the AFRALO members who will be working – like I said, I don't know if you remember, we will working together and then informing the other AFRALO members.

Beran, Seun, Mohamed, Tijani, you were all there. Remmy. And so we started discussing already how we can outdo ourselves, like I said, at

Marrakech, what we can do at Marrakech. After that, I sent an e-mail out to all the organizing committee members and I only received a number of comments. And so what I ask on my [inaudible] that everyone think of what we can do, how we can innovate so different user communities from the Mediterranean should be able to come to our showcase, and those representatives that participate in the capacity building session that will be provided by ALAC and AFRALO experts so that, in turn, they will be able to relay that knowledge to their own ALS members. It might be a good chance for them to meet other members of AFRALO's ALSes, as well.

We also thought at Marrakech we could organize a new workspace. As you all know, this will be Fadi Chehade's last meeting. And as all Africans recognize, Fadi completely transformed the presence of Africa within ICANN. And it is our duty – nay, obligation – to make sure Fadi has a last meeting that will be memorable.

And that is why we organized this meeting. We thought we could organize different interviews, different testimonials with different ALS members. Whoever wants to participate and give their opinion and share their views on what Fadi did for Africa in general terms and, more particularly, why not personal testimonials, people speaking of their relationship with Fadi and of the memories that they have from Fadi's term. So you can share with us anything related to what I just explained via a video that will be compiled and streamed during the Marrakech showcase.

So I remind you to please try and record this sort of video. We intend to have an end result of quality filled with different people speaking, so

that it will be varied and so that it will be something to show, something everyone will remember. So I've asked Heidi to work on this.

I would like to stop at this point and maybe we should also think of music, food, I mean [inaudible] what we like [inaudible] show case is. I mean, we can discuss details. We should also discuss the date. It should be Tuesday, not Wednesday, as Wednesday is going to be the gala. As you know, in Morocco, our gala is on Wednesday, it will be on Wednesday because many people will be leaving on Thursday. So I think the showcase should probably be on Tuesday. I'm now going to give the floor to Tijani, who should discuss the next item on the agenda, which is, first and foremost, everything you think of what I said, our evening, and of the activities we can organize, and on the ideas to have members of different ALSes [joining].

I've already asked a lot of my fellow AFRALO members and we still don't entirely know what the end result is going to be, so you may have plenty of questions for which I have no answer at this point. We don't even know where the money is going to come from, who's going to pay for all this. ICANN is, of course, going to pay part of it but we need many more funds if we want to do everything we want to do. So we should think of these new organizations that intend to be new ALSes that want to be accredited, then we should discuss the budget, the possible sponsors, and the digital entertainment for that evening. Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you, Aziz, for this presentation – this brief presentation of everything we've done to make progress. I am going to give the floor to

the different group members in order to know if they have any comments, if there's anything they would like to add, anything they want to correct. And we have Beran raising her hand. Go ahead, Beran. You have the floor.

BERAN GILLEN: Thank you, Tijani. Can you everyone hear me?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, we can.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Yes, we hear you, Beran.

BERAN GILLEN: Okay. I have [inaudible] okay great. My first question is, this is in regards to the capacity building. Are we planning to do it like how we did it in Dakar? I believe, from what I understand, it was done every morning for two hours, sort of like a fellowship sort of setup, or are you going to do it like, for example, what Barrack is doing with the DNS [inaudible] which is two days before the actual meeting. So how do we plan to do it?

And my second question is who is the target group for this capacity building [inaudible]. Is it just the ALSes or is it going to be newcomers, as well? That's what I want to know, as well. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Great. Okay. Thank you, Beran. I think, maybe, Aziz, would you like to reply?

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, I'd like to answer. Beran, we have lots of experience in terms of capacity building. We've gone a long way since Dakar. And in general terms, the idea was to have capacity building sessions one hour every morning. So why not more than that? Well, the experts who will be providing the training participate elsewhere, and of course, it will allow all the people who participate at the capacity building sessions to attend other meetings and it will allow them to get to know ICANN and to get to network with other people, as well.

As for the program, the agenda of the capacity building program itself, we haven't set anything yet, but I think Tijani should be the one taking care of [inaudible] since he was the one who outlined it for Dakar.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Aziz. I think we should think of who the capacity building program is for. We don't have enough money to bring ALS representatives over. So not all of them may be [inaudible].

AZIZ HILALI: I'd like to clarify Beran's question. She asked us how we would provide the training sessions, and I spoke of five NGOs we invited. So yes, how we will provide training for those five NGOs.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay. I don't think that was Beran's question, though. Maybe we should ask Beran to clarify here. Was that the question? Is it a question on the five NGOs that we intend to invite to these meetings on top of, of course, the three ALAC members [inaudible] RALO representatives – so that's five people, five AFRALO members and five NGOs. You speak of training for the five NGOs or the training for ALS representatives. Beran, what was your question? Go ahead.

BERAN GILLEN: Okay. Thank you, Tijani. My question is the capacity building. Who is the target group? Because if I understand correctly, in Dakar, you had 18 ALSes that were going through this capacity building program. We don't have those ALSes or we may not have those ALSes in Marrakech probably due to funding. So who are we going to be – who will we be training? Who will be on the receiving end of this capacity building? Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you, Beran. That's precisely the reason I tried to answer. The ALSes we had in Dakar at the time, we only had 20 ALSes, and we had 18 who had come over to Dakar, and it was for them that we provided the capacity building [inaudible]. Now this time, we won't have enough funds to bring all ALSes over to Marrakech. We've discussed this with the [inaudible] and we won't be able to have a general meeting and a capacity building program for all ALSes. So we'll invite five NGOs and I hope we'll have the means to do that because, of course, we put

through a request and we've tried to increase the budget, but we're not sure we'll be able to do it. That's the [inaudible].

So we invited five NGOs and the idea is to have a capacity building program for those NGOs, for those people.

SEUN OJEDEJI: I'd like to join the queue.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Seun, what was your question. Can you repeat, please?

SEUN OJEDEJI: Yeah, I said I'd like to stay on the queue, so when it's time, may I [inaudible]? Thank you.

DANIEL NANGHAKA: Could I please say something, please? May I go ahead? I think, okay, [inaudible].

HEIDI ULLRICH: Could we please let Tijani chair and call on you when he's ready? We're letting him know. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Heidi, the preliminary agenda was already presented by Aziz. There is the question on the capacity building sessions for NGOs that will be

[inaudible] so we've already answered a few questions. We have people raising their hands right now, so I'm going to ask Remmy to ask his question. And I'll add Daniel to the queue. Remmy, you can take the floor.

All right, so we'll have Seun first. Seun, please remember to speak up and slowly so that I can interpret.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Can you hear me?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Yes, Seun. We can hear.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Seun asked to take the floor first, right? So Michel, you're with us on the French channel. Seun, did you intend to take the floor or not?

SEUN OJEDEJI: Yes, please.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Go ahead, Seun, please [inaudible].

SEUN OJEDEJI: Yeah. So I just have a few comments on the capacity building. From what [inaudible] from Aziz's response to Beran. So it may be capacity

building for the five NGOs. [inaudible] Aziz mentioned in that five NGOs have already been invited. I'd like to know are these NGOs [inaudible] one of our ALSes? Do they have any [formal association] with AFRALO? And is there a possibility of actually opening up the capacity program for ALSes that may be present at the meeting? Because some ALSes may actually be able to [inaudible] for themselves to attend the meeting, so it will be good to open up the room to anyone who wants to participate in the capacity building, including any possible member or any possible [inaudible] interested in joining AFRALO.

The second thing I wanted to ask is about the costs [inaudible] for the capacity building. Are we working toward that [inaudible] start thinking about a topic that will be discussed in each of the [inaudible] and also the [inaudible] that were actually [inaudible]. And most importantly, the cost associated to the [inaudible] I think it would be good to start [inaudible] a list of possible sponsors and [inaudible]. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you, Seun. I'll just answer your question before I give the floor to Daniel, and then to Beran. So the training to the five NGOs that will be invited won't be the same as what could be given to an ALS. These training sessions are going to be newcomer training sessions, so it will be a [inaudible] who don't have enough background to participate in our general training sessions, and as capacity building sessions as they usually are provided to ALSes, so that will be the first difference.

And then, on the other hand, are there going to be newcomers, I think there should be fewer people so as to give them the possibility to ask

any potential question they may have so that they won't be intimidated by the other people in the next room so that if there's another ALS and they have a question, they won't get an answer as it were a stupid question from the others.

I think it's the essence of newcomer training and it differs from the training that we generally provide to ALSes, so we still don't have a training session program for our guests but we're going to have a preliminary agenda and we should start thinking of who will be able to give those classes, indeed.

But I want to be clear this training is going to be completely different from what could be provided to ALSes. So Seun, on the other hand, unfortunately, as you know, we put through a request to the finance department to ask for more budget so that we can have an AFRALO general meeting during the Marrakech meeting in order to get all the ALSes in Marrakech, as we did in Dakar. And unfortunately, our request was declined.

They promised that we would have a general meeting in the 2017 budget, so the following year, that is. This year, it is therefore not possible to hold a capacity training session for ALSes because there won't be ALS representatives other than the five AFRALO members who will be there in person. So that is my answer to your question.

Now, I'm going to give the floor to Beran first and then to Daniel. Beran, you have the floor. And there's Barrack, too. I'm sorry. We have Barrack asking for the floor. Yeah. Okay. So Beran, Daniel, and Barrack. Beran, go ahead. Beran, you might be muted. We're not hearing you.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Is this Beran or...?

BERAN GILLEN: I'm here. I'd like to skip. You can go ahead and get someone to take the floor. I'd like to skip. I'd like to bring my questions towards the end around AOB.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay, Beran. Thank you. Daniel, you have the floor. Daniel, are you there?

DANIEL NANGHAKA: Yes.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Daniel, you are not on Adobe Connect. Are you connected?

DANIEL NANGHAKA: No. I'm on the mobile.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay, Barrack. You have the floor. Barrack, can you hear me? Barrack, you have the floor.

BARRACK OTIENO: Yes, I can hear you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Go ahead, Barrack.

BARRACK OTIENO: Okay. I would like to suggest a couple of things.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Barrack, you have the floor.

BARRACK OTIENO: Yes, I can hear. Okay. I would like to suggest that we come up with a plan for the capacity building or we share the plan that is there, that contains the [inaudible] that we want to train [inaudible] to the organizing committee for their comments. After we agree on the content, we establish the group that would like to be trained, and then we'd like to [inaudible] on the AFRALO list and African list for interested participants who will be at the ICANN meeting in Marrakech [inaudible]. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Thank you very much, Barrack. First, thank you, Remmy, for your suggestion. It was decided as Aziz said, we are going to speak more about that. But your proposal has been already thought about. I think that we have not the same level of information when we speak about capacity building and about training program. We are speaking about

beginner's training for people who have just arrived who don't know ICANN.

It is not the capacity building that we will give to an ALS, for example. This is a capacity building for people newcomers. You are right. We need to organize this capacity building and we need to decide what will be the trainers who will be responsible for this capacity building, but it is an [initiation] we need that people to begin to know ICANN. We need to give them some idea about ICANN so they join AFRALO. It is not a capacity building on technical subjects. It will be an initiation about ICANN. We will explain those people how things work so they know what is AFRALO, what is ICANN, how it works, so they understand that they have to participate and to make the African voice heard.

Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI:

Thank you very much, Tijani. I know that Tijani is sharing that meeting but we wanted to speak about this ICANN during five minutes, and we have already sent 30 minutes, so [inaudible]. We have some problems about what I say, we are speaking about inviting people who are near Morocco [inaudible] like Algeria, Tunisia, Mauritania, and inviting new people representing associations in Africa so they can train as newcomers in ICANN so we can encourage them to become ALSes.

As Tijani said, we have already submitted a year ago a program and a list to invite all the ALS and it was rejected because there is a high level meeting and the money for the ALS has been spent for the high-level meeting. So now if you want, we are going to move to the next item

because we need to speak about things as important as the ALS capacity building.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Before Remmy proposed to do something to organize something special for Fadi. We wanted to make a video with some nice comments about Fadi. We also want to give him something that he will keep in his memory about AFRALO and ICANN, etc. So we thought about something. We are going to organize it. [Thank you] to think about that also [inaudible]. And now we are going to move to the next item [inaudible] that is to say the budget review. And as you know, for the showcase, we have a budget, I think Aziz is going to tell you the amount, but I think it's a very small amount of money, but that will be enough to have some drinks during the showcase, but we want to do something more. We want to do something very nice, so we have asked [Heidi] and At-Large to try to give us some more money for this showcase.

We didn't receive any answer for now, but I think there are some good intentions. I think Heidi is going to be able to give us some more funding and we need some sponsoring, too. Aziz has been looking for sponsoring and he has made a lot of demands, requests for [inaudible]. We have received some answers, but nothing really for sure. So I hope we will receive some more answers, but we need to think about different possibilities. If we have enough money, we can do that [inaudible] in that if we don't, if we only have one \$1,200 that will be given for the showcase, we will only do that and that and that.

This is two possibilities. I'm going to give the floor to Aziz and he will complete this idea, then I will give the floor for discussion. Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI:

Well, I prefer the participants to take the floor because I've made around 15 demands for sponsoring. I've been working with different organizations, [inaudible]. I've been requesting like ten sponsoring. I had the meeting with the leadership of ICANN and they promised that they will try to give us some more funding because AFRALO has [inaudible] for the general assembly and we didn't have this money, so they are going to try to pay for some trips. This was the idea.

I spoke about at the beginning, now we are waiting for some more sponsoring. We are working with ICANN staff on budget, so we can at least have a nice showcase. I'm finished.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much, Aziz. Barrack, you have the floor.

BARRACK OTIENO:

Thank you. Hello?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Barrack, go ahead.

BARRACK OTIENO:

Okay. I would like to propose that we request for funds from the Internet Society because close to 80% of the ALSes are ISOC chapters and we [inaudible] of getting support. I would also like to propose that we approach the public [inaudible] registry because they are launching those NGO [inaudible] governmental organization. And from our capacity building plan, I can see that we are targeting some NGOs. So we could have [inaudible]. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

I have a problem to understand what you said. Your line is very bad. Okay, Barrack, we have made a funding request with [inaudible] and we have also asked speaking about the launching, and I hope we will have good results. On related to the capacity building, we didn't understand what you said, Barrack. Can you repeat, please?

Barrack, you are speaking about ISOC, about [inaudible] and ISOC, but for the capacity building, we didn't understand. You are speaking about [inaudible] and ISOC, okay. I think I understood [inaudible] Tijani. I'm going to answer about [Cacophony]. We are not funding. [Cacophony] is not funding ICANN activities as they think ICANN is [rich] enough to fund its activities.

We can ask ISOC, this is possible. I don't know if ISOC is funding ICANN activities, but we can ask him. Aziz, you are going to take care of that, and here, we have already done it, so [it's done].

AZIZ HILALI: Okay. Barrack is asking us to ask for funding to the regional Internet registries, AfriNIC, the RIR. Can I answer, Tijani?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Okay, Aziz. You can answer.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay, Barrack. The ISOC, I know them, and they have some programs for sponsoring programs for activities around \$30,000 and \$10,000 and our activity is not corresponding with this kind of amount. I had two meetings with [IRI], one in Buenos Aires and one in Dublin, and I had another meeting in Brazil.

And Mr. Alan with the communication director, we have a meeting to for the sponsoring of the AFRALO meeting, but Alan told me that they don't have any money. He's going to ask during this next AfriNIC board for some money, but he told me that AFRINIC has no money. So please, trust us. We have made all what was possible, I have asked for around [inaudible] through sponsoring.

If we can't find anything, we will count on ICANN. Can we move to the item, please?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Tijani. May I speak, please?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Heidi, you have the floor.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Thank you. I'd like to make two points. One on the showcase and then one on the suggestion for the capacity building. The first, I think we're going around this a little bit in circles. I've been in touch with the finance and with the meetings team, and with the GSE team, and what they're looking for from you is a specific outline on what the activities you have planned as well as possible costs.

So once we have understand what exactly you would like to do as well as how many people you're expecting, then our staff can work with the catering staff at the venue to develop the costs. Then that would include entertainment that you would like, as well. So that's the first point, the showcase.

The second point is know that ICANN staff would like AFRALO to gain sponsorship, and we're developing a template to help you with that. And I know that Pierre Dandjinou is going to be helping you with identification of some potential sponsors. So if you could please work with them – and we're happy to put you in contact with him – that would be useful.

On the point of the capacity building program, I do note that as AFRALO was the leader and did the first showcase in Nairobi in 2010, Marrakech is going to be the first Meeting A that will have a specific event for outreach and engagement. So it might be useful if AFRALO were to take the lead on developing this kind of activity for their capacity building.

And I note, also, that Fadi Chehade, one of his activities following his lead from ICANN would be to be a teacher at Harvard on Internet

governance issues. So again, it might be useful to invite him, as an African, to speak to you at an outreach event perhaps at a Marrakech university, and I'm sure Aziz would have some contacts there. So these are some ideas on those possibilities. Thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes. Thank you very much, Heidi, for all this precision. I want to remind you that AFRALO proposed three main activities, which are very clear. First, we want to invite five representatives from associations from Morocco, Libya, Tunisia, Mauritania, from the region. Second activity, attending this video with [inaudible] for Fadi. And third, to have an improved showcase compared to the showcases we made before.

I think our program is very clear. We are working with staff. We are working with Gisella to try to have a clear [standing] that we need and that we are requesting. This is the minimum... This is what we want to do if we find some sponsoring before March, if we find some sponsoring we can organize those activities and improve them a little bit more.

For example, invite more NGOs and why not invite the other ALSes beginning with those who belong to the organization committee of Marrakech showcase and who are not going to be able to come? I'm thinking about Beran, I'm thinking about Remmy, Sarah, all those who don't have a standing to be able to come to Marrakech, so we have decided at minimum, and if we have sponsoring, we will do some more.

I repeat, first invite five persons from the region to make a video, attending this video about Fadi and three organize a showcase, a nice showcase. We want to have a cocktail or some like a dinner with some beverages and some music. I think it is clear, the program is clear, and it is clear.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Aziz, maybe you didn't mention that we want also to make a present to Fadi, and we need the money to buy this present.

AZIZ HILALI: No, Tijani. I want to explain you something. I prefer the present that we will offer Fadi... I prefer that to be some personal thing. I'm not asking ICANN some money to buy Fadi's present. There are a lot of African people who want to contribute personally for that present to Fadi, so for the present to Fadi, I prefer the present not to be financing by ICANN.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Well, this is what I say. So we will have to – we will need funding around that, we will need to find some money among us to buy a present for Fadi, and I think Remmy's proposal was a good idea. I think we need to think about this present. We need to think about this present among the committee.

AZIZ HILALI: I'm sorry, Tijani, I prefer to speak about other items that are important and that we need to address today. Yes, thank you.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Aziz, you are the chair, so I thought it was an important issue, but it's okay. So now, we have finished with the funding ICANN, so now we are going to move to the showcase program, and Aziz has already prepared something, more or less. So Aziz, you have the floor, and so you can explain us what will be the program of the showcase, of Marrakech. We have spoken about that in Dublin, and it is the result of the discussion of the people who were in the Dublin. Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Thank you, Tijani. I think the program is on the wiki page, so I've sent it by e-mail, so I won't be reading it. I just wanted to tell you that there will be some [inaudible], we will see the videos about Fadi I spoke about, and we also want to finish the meeting with something original with two music groups and some music so the showcase will be ending in a nice mood at a nice moment that will stay in our memory for Fadi and for us because, I repeat, it's a special showcase because it is the moment, it is the time when Fadi is going to leave us. So some music, maybe some dance.

Beran is waiting to take the floor. So Beran, if you want, you can have the floor.

BERAN GILLEN:

I just wanted to comment – and I realize that we only have about seven more minutes. I know we're talking about the showcase. I did have one concern that I thought maybe we had too many people that were speaking. We have, from my counting, we have about speeches or six speeches. I just thought maybe that was a bit too much, so perhaps you want might want to cut down on the suggestions.

And also, another thing I wanted to ask. Meeting A, the Marrakech meeting will be a [inaudible] it will be a six-day meeting. As chair of the New Strategy Working Party for At-Large, I'm trying to actually put the schedule together right now. So I want to confirm from Aziz is two things. I want to confirm that the showcase will be on Tuesday and that the gala will be on Wednesday, because I think I believe I heard you say these things. I just want to confirm it so that I can also – that will help me a lot with my schedule structure.

And also, the capacity building sessions, it is one hour every morning. Do you want it one hour every morning from Saturday to Thursday or is there a cutoff? Is it going to be just for four days, three days, the whole six days? These were my comments and questions. And not before 8:00 because we've decided that the meetings run too long, people get tired. Actually, our meeting A [inaudible] as of now is 9:00. So if we're going to do a one-hour session, preferably it will be from 8:00 to 9:00 and then we've got our sessions from there.

So yeah, I wanted to basically say that. We don't have time. I wanted to show you the meeting structure [inaudible] show you the schedule, but we don't have time. So Gisella can help me put the link up for the meeting schedule so that you can actually have a look at it and see what

it looks like and also compare it to other ACs and SOs and how their meeting is structured for Marrakech. Thank you.

EDUARDO: Hello, this is Eduardo. I'm going to be audio only today.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Eduardo, you have the floor. Go ahead.

EDUARDO: Am I in the right meeting?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Eduardo, no. This is an AFRALO Showcase call. The other one is at [3535].

EDUARDO: The next one is [3535]. Is that the review?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes.

EDUARDO: Okay. I'm sorry. [inaudible].

HEIDI ULLRICH: The meeting strategy.

EDUARDO: The meeting? Okay. I will check my calendar again. Thank you. Sorry. Bye.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Aziz is going to answer Beran's question. Okay. There were some problems. So Beran, you ask if for the showcase, it was going to take place on Tuesday. I prefer not to decide the day today because I know that we want the Moroccan and other ministers to be present to be participating to the showcase.

I know on Monday, the minister is going to be present. So if the minister comes twice to the ICANN meeting, it will take place on Monday. If not, we will see. So I prefer not to take a decision and we will see the minister's availability to take the decision. It will be on Monday or on Tuesday, depending on the day they can attend. Thank you.

Then for the capacity building, we have time to decide what will be our planning. I think Tijani has already done that and Tijani can be in charge of this capacity building program for this new NGO.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: So, please, can you answer Beran's question?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: I prefer Tijani to answer this question as he is speaking because he has some experience.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Well, Beran says that we are going to give a capacity building for the ALSes, so she's asking for a capacity building program. Beran, it is a capacity building for newcomers for this NGO that we are inviting. This is very important. This is the newcomers capacity building. Beran? So we are going to keep them capacity building for newcomers.

Okay, very well. Are there any other questions for the showcase program? I think Aziz has sent the first draft. All the members of our group, please take a look through this draft agenda and tell us if you think there are some things that need to be changed. We can do that on the mailing list – because I understand that this first meeting is a little bit difficult, we have spent a lot of time on different items because it was our first meeting.

The next meeting will be better structured. We need to have an agenda that we will follow, then we also need – for this next meeting, we need to adopt a program. If we need to modify, we can alter it, it's no problem, and you have the first draft. Please read it, give us your opinion on the mailing list, and during the next meeting, we are going to decide what we do and what we won't do.

For the [captioning] we have spoken about that, but I think it's a little early to speak about that because it depends on a lot of things. It depends on ICANN funding, on the sponsoring, so for [inaudible] normally, what we would like, Aziz said it, we would like to [gathering

some leverage] and we didn't speak about the music, the [culture report], and for this [culture report], we wanted some music, two kinds of music, of local music, and some dances, and Aziz, as he knows his country, Aziz is going to send it on the mailing list or to propose during the next meeting some groups or to make some proposals so we can discuss about that during our next meeting, so we can alter or adopt the proposals, Aziz's proposals.

So if you agree on this way of working, we will move to the next item. That is to say the promotional item. I don't know if you have some ideas. I thought about some things. I thought, for example, that we could organize some things, some t-shirts. Those are the basic proposals, ties for men, and with AFRALO and Marrakech, and Aziz has some other ideas. So I'm going to give the floor to Aziz so he will tell us.

AZIZ HILALI:

Thank you, Tijani. I'd like to address the three items on catering, entertainment, other promotional items. As for catering, Gisella and I are working on the budget because we need to see how we are going to get over 300 people. But now we have decided we will only be providing for 50 people because we don't have enough budget for everyone. So I [inaudible] Gisella is going to help us on that.

As for entertainment, once again, we're going to see how to figure out the financial aspects in order to get people so that we can have dancers and singers for the African Moroccan dance, which is African. And then as for promotional items, we could also add to the budget enough funds

to get, as Tijani said, T-shirts and caps and ties and neckties, and all the rest. As Tijani said.

So that's all. That's the end of my intervention.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you, Aziz. Do we have any requests for the floor? I don't see anyhow hands raised. We're going to move the interpreters as it is time, it's past our time, actually, so [inaudible] any other remarks? I'm going to move on to the any other business item. So is there any other business anyone would like to mention?

So otherwise, we should set the call for the update for the next call. So I think in December, we should have two meetings, one call a fortnight. And then in January, I suggest we have weekly meetings. Right. Who is speaking? I'm sorry, but we hear side conversation.

Gisella, could you please mute the line from which the noise is coming. Aziz? Can you hear me? Yes. What do you think regarding my proposal for the next call?

AZIZ HILALI:

I think weekly meetings are [inaudible] but maybe we should schedule a call for next month, and then we'll see, according to the progress made, how we go on. Still, I think we made quite a lot of progress today and so the next meeting, because there's going to be our monthly teleconference, our monthly teleconference could be used to discuss that. So I do think we should have a meeting within the month.

What do you think, Barrack? Do you need to take the floor?

BARRACK OTIENO: Hello?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: I'm sorry. We have to finish the interpretation. So could we please define this on the mailing list? We're going to have a call within the next three weeks, so maybe we should have a Doodle consequently. All right. So given that the interpreters are about to leave, [inaudible] that you will give us your viewpoint on the frequency of meetings for this group over the mailing list, and according to what you say, we're going to have a Doodle in order to know day and what time would be the best to have our next meeting.

GISELLA GRUBER: Tijani, I'm sorry, but we are already late. The interpreters have to go. I'm really sorry. I'm sorry, Beran, [inaudible] Tijani. The interpreters cannot stay, so you can answer over the mailing list. I'm sorry. But since we're going to lose the interpreters, I'm going to close the call. Thank you all for having participated at the meeting. It's always very important to have a first meeting which is decisive. It's normal, but I hope we can make further progress in our next call. Thank you all.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Thank you very much. Bye-bye all.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Thank you, everyone. The meeting has been adjourned and the audio will now be disconnected. Thank you for joining today's call.

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