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Maryam Bakoshi: Thank you very much (Missy). Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Welcome to the NPOC ExCom call on 11th of October 2017 at 15:00 UTC.

On the call today we have Gangadhar Panday, Joan Kerr, Poncelet Ileleji, Raoul Plommer and from staff we have myself, Maryam Bakoshi. I'd like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much and over to you Joan.

Joan Kerr: Great. Thank you Maryam and hi everyone. So this is our September – sorry, October meeting and I just wondered before we started if there were anything that we needed to add or take away from the agenda because it was a draft agenda that I sent out.

Anything? Nothing? Okay so before we start that let's go to the actions from last time because we have the – well I guess it's in the out read so let's go to that.

Sorry Maryam. It's on the list already. Well I did send that. Okay. Oh I highlighted it didn't I? Let's just go back to the – oh my voice is faint? Is that better? Yes.

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes we can hear you Joan.

Joan Kerr: Okay so just go back up to the – if there are no additions let's just go by the agenda then. Okay so any issues around ICANN67 in terms of travel or accommodations?

I know Juan said he hadn't heard about his accommodation. Is everybody else on track?

Raoul Plommer: I just got a mail from the constituency travel like in the – in less than an hour and they were telling me that – which hotel I'm staying at which is luckily the one right next to the exhibition center.

Joan Kerr: Okay. And everyone else is probably - Juan probably has heard as well. I don't get one but (Glen) also had a confirmation.

Poncelet Ileleji: No I'm still – Joan, Poncelet speaking.

Joan Kerr: Yes. Go ahead.

Poncelet Ileleji: Poncelet speaking. I've not yet got my hotel. I've not yet got my tickets – fly out on the 25th with the SCM people. I think it's because of my visa because ICANN later – our – so processing that – the UAE government are doing it for free.

That was – I was to send my passport copy which I have sent it to them so I'm still waiting so that...

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...was – but I don't know where I'm staying. I – yes and then I know that they've confirmed that I would travel on the 25th, and they were waiting for just to approve it because he's the one sorting out the visa. Yes.

Joan Kerr: So it – it's not constituency travel. It's a visa issue?

Poncelet Ileleji: No it's not a visa – constituency travel told me to send my passport to them – copy of my passport as a PDF. That's because...

Joan Kerr: Oh okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...they are going to – it's now – visa is going to be issued for free by ICANN60 organizers through the UAE government.

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: So I sent that and then they later asked me what of my ticket. I said that I did my ticket stuff long ago but they didn't respond back to me because they were waiting for the visa, which I was to do myself.

Still I am – I can travel – said they are doing it so all this is going hand in hand and I think SCM told me that – recently told me to choose my flights and they select – I selected that I will fly out on the 25th and reaching on the 26th via Brussels through and to – and direct to Abu Dhabi.

So I'm still waiting so I don't have hotel and fun stuff like that so that's it.
But I hope...

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...maybe this week or next week latest. Yes.

Joan Kerr: Great. Well let us know so that if there's anything that Maryam or I can do to help that...

((Crosstalk))

Poncelet Ileleji: Okay I will do that by next week Monday latest if I've not heard anything and – before. Yes.

Joan Kerr: Yes. Okay great. Anyone else? Oh. No other hands? Great. So I will put together an agenda for both Constituency Day as well as the EC meeting. Now for Constituency Day we do have a couple of – well even for Abu Dhabi 60 actually.

I should just put it in the general. There are – Consumer Trust would like to do a presentation as well as – is it – (Saranuge) also asked if the EC could come and do a presentation to the fellows so he's looking for volunteers for that.

I can send all of this information to everyone. I was putting it together and anyone that wants to go let me know. But I will put a draft agenda together after today's meeting and send it to everyone for Constituency Day and the EC meetings.

If there are anything that anyone wants on that meeting let me know – on that agenda let me know and I'll put it on and then we can submit it to Maryam for ICANN.

So I will actually do that today. That's to-do for Joan. I wanted to do it last week but I thought, "We will wait until this week in case there was any suggestions of the constituency meetings."

The – and then what we want to do is actually then send out an invite to the membership to join us for Constituency Day starting on Monday so that we can get people to come on the call.

Just a quick question. There are – there's remote participation for Constituency Day and EC, right Maryam, for members?

Maryam Bakoshi: Joan sorry. Repeat that again.

Joan Kerr: For the Constituency Day and/or the EC meetings there's remote participation for – that's available?

((Crosstalk))

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes for both.

Joan Kerr: Okay great. So we can start sending out – so it's one thing that we usually don't do. We send it out like the night before so I don't – I kind of want to send out our agenda and invitations starting at least by Monday so the memberships...

((Crosstalk))

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes that's right.

((Crosstalk))

Joan Kerr: Yes. So we, you know, we start to communicate earlier with our members. I think it's really important going forward and so I will do that. Poncelet could you give us an update on what's happening with the outreach for Abu Dhabi? Have you heard anything back? Poncelet?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes. One place we can – yes...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...and thank you Joan. What has happened is the organizations I contacted – most of them looked like – what do you call this – professional organizations. They claimed they were NGOs but they were like professional organizations like...

Joan Kerr: Right.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...the Women's Business Forum and stuff like that. So what I did – yes and you know sent – and you maybe contact - Adam Peake contacted me and if I...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...had any problems I should get back to him. So I went – I emailed back to Adam Peake to tell him that this is the issue I'm having, that all the ones –

organizations I've been getting – they are professional membership organizations based in the UAE.

If you can help me to – through this staff to get the actual NGOs and I've still not heard from him. So if I might request you help me follow up with him.

Joan Kerr: Well might I suggest something? I mean, I think we don't want...

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes please.

Joan Kerr: ...professional organizations. I think that's not what we do. But I do think I want to propose something to everyone that we don't have an event for outreach in Abu Dhabi, but that we spend the time to plan for ICANN61 so that - we're together anyway.

And I think that if we can spend that time to create a framework for the next one so that we're starting right away to – and if we could do that all the time so that at each meeting what we're doing is actually planning the next one and promoting it as we go. Does that sound like a plan?

Poncelet Ileleji: Joan if I might add here yes it sounds like a plan, but my take too is that we should still try to reach out especially - that we really don't have any presence in the MENA region/in the Middle East.

So when it is one or two or three, you know, it will help to get in there but I like the plan. Yes Joan, planning a step ahead before ICANN 61 but it would still be good because definitely – and the MENA region is the region that has a lot of things that – and the NCSG will - would be good for NPOC to get involved with local NGOs in the MENA...

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...region. That's why I've tried my best Joan. I actually left that to Adam.

((Crosstalk))

Poncelet Ileleji: So I like the idea but, I mean, it will be good if...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Poncelet Ileleji: ...we can. Thanks.

Joan Kerr: Okay great. So you think that we can have not-for-profits in the room – like you said two or three and maybe build a relationship with them? Is that what you're thinking?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes that's what I'm thinking and that's why I've reached out to Adam, and if you can also follow up with him today after this call because I've emailed him.

I've not heard anything from him. Maybe he's very busy so let's see if we can do that. Yes please.

Joan Kerr: And so you're just waiting for his response. Is that what you're saying?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes I'm waiting for his response because he said some of his staff - in his earlier email he said if I need help his staff can help me get some NGOs from there.

And so I've responded to him that I'm not in – all the ones that I've – had contact me are business related professional organizations, not typical NGOs; if he can really get his staff to help to do that for us.

Joan Kerr: So – okay so...

Poncelet Ileleji: But he has not responded. It's more than a week now.

Joan Kerr: Okay. Right. So Maryam you have something to say and I have something to say too. Go ahead Maryam.

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes hi. Thank you very much Joan. This is Maryam Bakoshi for the record. Poncelet thanks for this. For next time please if anyone is sending emails for, you know, to help with tracking is it okay to cc me so that I can, you know, follow up on stuff like this. I didn't hear about this.

((Crosstalk))

Joan Kerr: Me either.

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes.

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes so I would've been able to pursue it. That's one. And number two, Baher Esmet – I think he's the regional person for the – I think for the MENA regions – the Engagement VP.

If we can get him on board and there's this other guy. I don't remember his name now. I will get those two emails and then Poncelet if you can send an email to them and say this is your plan, you know, and you want to work with them.

They're the same people Adam is talking about because Adam might be busy right now so we want to be able to just do the things without – if we can do it with the person involved one-on-one rather than going through a third party that will be excellent.

So yes I'm going to get the email and send across to you, and at the same time I'm going to send a cry to Adam now and just ask him if there is any follow up to your email. But yes thank you very much.

Joan Kerr: Great. Thanks. And also I'd like...

Poncelet Ileleji: Thanks Maryam. Yes it's the...

Joan Kerr: Go ahead.

Poncelet Ileleji: Sorry. Can I just roughly...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes Poncelet speaking. I just – and thank you Maryam. I just wanted to set the – it was an oversight on my part that I didn't copy on the email to Adam, but the first email – and it was copied to you that – and Joan sent us early – do you want to send the email to Adam to – and then Adam responded that yes if I needed help he will get his staff to look into it.

I know Baher personally who is the VP of the Middle East but – and since it was Adam that they said I should contact if I had problems that's why I went directly to Adam.

I just overlooked Baher because I know him personally. We are friends too.

Yes. But thanks.

Maryam Bakoshi: Great Poncelet. Thanks. Yes contact the – so please do contact Baher ASAP and please cc me in it so that I can follow up as well.

Poncelet Ileleji: Okay.

Maryam Bakoshi: That would be – and just yes go ahead and...

Poncelet Ileleji: Okay.

Maryam Bakoshi: ...contact Baher. Thank you.

Joan Kerr: Great. So cc me too so that we can do a bit of – we're prepared in terms of being able to host that event as well and so that...

((Crosstalk))

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes I will do that. Thank you.

Joan Kerr: Yes. And we're on the radar to actually have any planning, so we can plan some of that stuff and if we need any printed materials and things like that. So Maryam is that an old hand or...?

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes. Yes...

Joan Kerr: Oh okay.

Maryam Bakoshi: ...that's an old hand. We are – we have gone over the printing dates so we can't...

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes.

Joan Kerr: Right. Right.

((Crosstalk))

Maryam Bakoshi: ...anything's been different. No? Yes. Okay thank you.

Joan Kerr: Good. But we can always print ourselves so – especially if it's five or ten. So I – is just to, you know, I'd like to have something that looks good that's all, or even if you have to do a PowerPoint or whatever.

I just – it's just the whole idea of making sure that we're not planning the hour before that's all if it's possible. Sometimes it's not. What about PIR? Were you able to contact them as well Poncelet?

Poncelet Ileleji: Sorry. I didn't hear your last question. Sorry Joan.

Joan Kerr: Sure. We had talked about - I think it wasn't a – an action. It was more a suggestion last time we were talking about PIR. You were going to talk to them.

Poncelet Ileleji: PIR. PIR. No I've not had time to...

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: All schedules of events - to talk to Paul Diaz. He said he will get back to me.
He has not yet got back to me.

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Poncelet Ileleji: So thanks for the reminder but I tried to schedule a meeting with him on
Skype. He said – he has not yet got back to me but thanks for the reminder. I
will follow it up today.

Joan Kerr: Yes. No worries. All right. Any questions? Maryam. Go ahead Maryam.

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes hi Joan. Poncelet is it that – is it possible for us to have a timeline or a
time scale which we can work on so that I can have that in the action items
just to make sure that we're on track with things...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Maryam Bakoshi: ...like this and then always remind you if it's over the deadline?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes 48 hours. Thanks. Forty-eight hours – the PIR one.

Maryam Bakoshi: Okay thanks.

Poncelet Ileleji: That one was really an oversight. I've done it long ago but I didn't follow up.
Thanks.

Maryam Bakoshi: Thank you Poncelet.

Poncelet Ileleji: I will. Thanks.

Joan Kerr: Great. So speaking of the tracking – so one of the things that I want – I guess my function is I'd like to look at what it is – the actions that we're supposed to do.

In my business life that's what I do. I have a tracking thing and it just worked for me. But when we have our meetings – our monthly meetings that's probably - the first things that we're going to go over every single meeting is the actions that we had agreed on previously so that we're always on track and also if any other issues come up.

But we'll talk later about the Trello because I think that the Trello will help us to keep on track as well. There's also another – well we won't talk about other programs but I use another program called Asana, which actually reminds you.

When you put a date on it sends you – does Trello do that Raoul? It send – does it send you a reminder if you have a date on it?

Raoul Plommer: I think on the ones it has a headline set. For those I think it does send a reminder...

Joan Kerr: Okay.

((Crosstalk))

Raoul Plommer: ...for the person responsible.

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: But yes I'm not entirely sure but we could test it.

Joan Kerr: Well let's do a testing and maybe for – like put something on that's due, you know, say Friday or something and see what it does because the one that I use – it actually sends you what you need to do and, you know, “Well I got to do that.” Maryam you have...

Raoul Plommer: Right.

Joan Kerr: ...your hand up as well. Up. Down. Okay so let's test that and so that - it helps us because we're all very busy and it – it's – sometimes you – the month flies by so quickly.

You know, “Oh gosh I didn't get that.” Not that you don't want to. Just not on the radar. All right.

Raoul Plommer: Yes it's a great to-do list but...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...can I say something?

Joan Kerr: Go ahead.

Raoul Plommer: Related to Trello...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...is that we would need to decide whether we can open it for everyone or if we should just – well one solution – if we don't want to open the Trello to everyone - which I think would be the nice thing to do.

But if we don't want to do that then we can create a – log ins and user accounts for the NPOC Web site and then people - when they log in they would see it straight off the bat.

So we could – basically we could for example send those user details to all our members as well and then it would be just like a – within NPOC that they could go and have a look what's - exactly is going on.

But – so we'd basically need to make a decision on do we want to open it for all Internet or do we just want to have it for our own members?

Joan Kerr: Or the ECs. All right, so what would be the benefits of having the – it open to the membership? I was – I'd say the – why I'm asking. I was thinking that it'd keep – the EC has certain tasks to do and it would be a central place for everyone to go and/or that Trello itself sends a reminder for everyone so it keeps us on track without having the work – say, “Oh what did I have to do again?” because, you know, you write it down and – but this way it keeps you on track.

So that was the idea behind it. What would be the benefit for the membership to also access it?

Raoul Plommer: Well at the moment we have a completely blank How to Get Involved page so we could basically just put that there, integrate it with the – with that page and then people could have a look if there was something that they could help us with.

Joan Kerr: I – what does everybody else think? Any thoughts? No thoughts. Okay so no hands up. So here's what I'm going to propose. I think that because it's about

us doing our actions I think it should – the Trello anyway should be for the EC members.

But I see your point about how do we get people involved. Now we can put it on the, you know, be more proactive with the NPOC discuss list and also put the task on the Web site, and people could put comments and they were – that's where we can start to collect comments. But Poncelet is saying it should be open. Okay so...

((Crosstalk))

Raoul Plommer: Yes. I think it's really about trying to...

Joan Kerr: You know what? It sounds like a good idea. It sounds like...

Raoul Plommer: Yes.

Joan Kerr: ...a good idea because we're struggling to get our members involved so why not just start...?

((Crosstalk))

Raoul Plommer: Exactly.

Joan Kerr: Yes. You know what? It's – yes okay I like it.

((Crosstalk))

Raoul Plommer: That's the thing. Like we – at the pilot party we really noticed how – we...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...started putting all the tasks in Trello and then suddenly there were people who we never even knew about and they were...

Joan Kerr: Yes. Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...suddenly coming up to us and asking, "Oh can I do this? This looks easy."

Joan Kerr: Yes. Yes.

Raoul Plommer: I mean, and if it's stuff like translating and sort of, I don't know, stuff that pretty much anyone can do, then we can really get a lot of extra help. And I think...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...it would be - the ideal situation would be where not just the ExCom is doing all the work but...

Joan Kerr: That's right.

Raoul Plommer: ...actually our members would be doing - well like within NCUC so we...

Joan Kerr: We don't want to do more work.

Raoul Plommer: ...would...

Joan Kerr: We want the members to do the work. Yes.

Raoul Plommer: Yes exactly. Yes.

Joan Kerr: Okay well...

Raoul Plommer: But if they don't even know what does this involve...

Joan Kerr: Yes. Right.

Raoul Plommer: ...it's hard for them to engage with us.

Joan Kerr: That's right. We do that at our – at (IPIC) as well. They – we tell what the tasks are and people just take leadership and do it. It makes it really easy.

Raoul Plommer: Right.

Joan Kerr: So...

Raoul Plommer: Yes.

Joan Kerr: Okay is everyone on board with that then? I think it's a great idea because I'm - just been racking my brain. How do we start engaging our members not just on a one-time basis but consistently because you can always, you know, I'd like to put things in place that people can consistently do things.

That's – because I – that's probably how I function but yes great. So any objections to that then? Hearing none. Okay well why don't – can we put that as an action then for you? Is that all right?

Raoul Plommer: Yes. Great. I'll open it and integrate it for everyone.

Joan Kerr: Yes even open membership. Yes. Yes let's just try to do this stuff and we've – we're spending the time for the last three months doing this. We may as well do it right and open.

Raoul Plommer: Yes and that – there's nothing secret there anyway.

Joan Kerr: Exactly. Exactly. We can always have a meeting if we need to discuss something that, you know, is – and I can't even foresee what that would be. All right, so the next – so Maryam you have that down as an action for Raoul to set up Trello for our membership? And let us know what you need.

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes I do.

((Crosstalk))

Joan Kerr: Yes go ahead.

Maryam Bakoshi: So just a quick one. It's a good idea to do that but how do you get people engaged through that? Do you – and so my thinking is it's good to have it on the Web site but there needs to be as part - after that is getting people to go there.

So would you send an email with a list – task list and then point into the Trello or what, you know, because I don't...

Joan Kerr: Yes. Yes.

Maryam Bakoshi: You know, those are things that needs to be total. It's not just having it on the Web site but how do you get people to go there?

Joan Kerr: Right.

Maryam Bakoshi: So I think it's, you know, just send it on the main list – mailing list and say, “You know, it's there,” and then people can always check for it. It's always important to send the tasks to the mailing list.

Joan Kerr: Right. Yes.

Raoul Plommer: Yes that's right. And...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

((Crosstalk))

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: And when it's on the Web page it's really - even for total strangers they have a look at how to get involved and they will see all the tasks that we have. And outside people – they can participate in fulfilling the tasks but they won't be able to do cards themselves. And I think...

Joan Kerr: Right.

Raoul Plommer: ...we do want to keep it that way so nobody can sabotage it.

Joan Kerr: Change it. Right.

Raoul Plommer: Yes. So...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...it's - basically I think we can - also if we have this monthly EC call we could always sort of - for example if maybe Olevie or somebody could sort of - or Maryam - somebody could have the action points and we could then - or I could put that list into Trello. And then we can send out the mail every month after the...

Joan Kerr: Yes.

Raoul Plommer: ...EC call that, "These are the things that we are now set to do and please help us with - and like here's the list and you can help us with - at the Trello interface."

Joan Kerr: Yes. That sounds - let's do it so that - I - because it's really, really important after Abu Dhabi that we start to really roll on a membership engagement plan.

Raoul Plommer: Yes.

Joan Kerr: But our excuse would be that we've spent the last few months just putting together a new NPOC kind of thing and so, you know, "Here it is. We've worked on the charter.

We've worked on Trello. Here is how we're going to get you involved." You know, it's sort of a - almost like an invitation that we've set this foundation in place. So sounds good?

Raoul Plommer: Yes. I think that way we will have a lot more interested people. And, I mean, I think a lot of people will realize that it's not all like rocket surgery, that, you know, there are simple tasks to do, that we just need some manpower to do them.

Joan Kerr: And women power too.

Raoul Plommer: Yes absolutely.

Joan Kerr: Just trying to be funny. Okay Maryam go ahead. Oh hand's down. All right, so we're all in agreement for that. That's wonderful. Okay so the next - NCSG.

I believe we're in the planning stages of an NCSG extra meeting for – and I haven't heard anything. I know we have our NCSG EC meetings and all of that.

But there's also other meetings that are planned so I will also get any information to forward to everyone. I also forward to the membership – and I didn't get a copy of it I want to say.

I sent it out to the membership and I'm wondering if people are getting it – the survey for the NomCom. I sent that out and I sent out – oh I forgot what it was but I put it on the NPOC discuss list and I didn't get a copy of it.

So we need to look at that to make sure that our members are actually getting anything that we're sending out. I don't know how to do that. I usually put myself as a copy so that I actually get the copy for myself o we'll have just to keep an eye on that.

All right. Reports. So are we done with Number 2? Any questions/issues? We're good? Okay let's move on then. Number 3. Well just to say that everyone knows we're working on the charter.

I think it's looking good. It's – I've taken the responsibility for checking the bylaws for ICANN against the charter, and that's an education in itself. It – I looked at the – has anyone ever read the ICANN bylaws? When I'm bored.

Anyway so I'm checking that. If anyone can take on the responsibility of checking some of the references that we have for NCUC and NCSG as well that will be great, so that next week that we're actually looking on those references. We are having our call next Tuesday and we would love to have something done so that we will kind of have a draft charter in Abu Dhabi, and that would be quite an accomplishment.

I also - we also had a call with the CEO yesterday. Raoul was on the call as well, and (Martin). And he is - I was really happy with some of the things that he said. He was - but the greatest message of all was that he was quite positive about NPOC, which made me happy of course. But his vision of this whole idea of building relationships and being able to speak with his staff and - it was just, I don't know, it's just an open - it seems like an open door and I think that's a really good messaging going forward.

Do you have any comments on that, Raoul, on the call yesterday?

Raoul Plommer: Yes, I had a really good feeling about it as well and, well, I guess one of the most encouraging things he said was that he usually before these calls he had made 18 calls until then with the other constituencies. He said he's always talking to his staff a few minutes like before the call, and this time as well he asked his staff like so what's going on with NPOC? And apparently the staff told him that everything's looking good. Yes. So that sounded really positive.

And, yes, because he was saying that, like, there were quite a few other constituencies that they had, like, some tough issues and so on but, like, we

seem to be just doodling along just fine. So. I think once we get this charter done, we can really get on with the policy work and the member engagement better.

Joan Kerr: Yes I think so as well. All right. Any updates, Poncelet? Poncelet? Did we lose Poncelet? I think we may have lost him. One of the - well let's just move to Gangadhar if we can if Poncelet getting back online. Gangadhar, are you there? Yes, Gangadhar, go ahead. Your hands are up. Go ahead, please. Gangadhar, we can't hear you. Do you have your - hello?

Gangadhar Panday: Hello? Can you hear me?

Joan Kerr: Hi. We can now. Go ahead.

Gangadhar Panday: Hello. Yes, I will not be in Abu Dhabi but I will be connecting remote.

Joan Kerr: Okay.

Gangadhar Panday: I'm just participating remote because I will be in (unintelligible) in Internet School of Governance India. I'm a fellow there. I will there be. Just out for that (unintelligible) I can still be in the Internet School of Governance meetings. So whenever it's possible, I'll just log in to the system and connect with you. That's one thing.

And the (unintelligible) cross-setting. If there is some guidance, I think I will be able to help with that.

Joan Kerr: Right. Now how are you - yes, we will do that for sure. How are you - are you connecting with the calls on NCSG okay and in terms of membership, how - have we had any new members?

Gangadhar Panday: There was one application and Maryam told that in the next meeting we will look into that. I think it is from Pakistan.

Joan Kerr: Okay. So there has been no new members for the last two months?

Gangadhar Panday: No. Only one application.

Joan Kerr: Okay. So that's another focus that we should have. Is - if you could look at a plan on how we can get new members as well. We won't send this out for the next meeting. Maybe that's an item, Maryam, for Gangadhar. And I will - I can help you work on it because I did put together something before on how to get new members and I can send you that draft. So, Maryam, that's an action for Gangadhar to create a plan so that we can all be aware of what is being done and that we can also help to support you.

Gangadhar Panday: I think now since this is happening in Abu Dhabi, we can focus in the gulf area and get one member from one country like that. That is five, six memberships.

Joan Kerr: Yes, well I don't need the details now but if you can put it together and send it to us, that would be great.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes. And I'll reach out to Maryam and we will work on something.

Joan Kerr: Okay great. I will send you my draft as well.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes.

Joan Kerr: All right. For Gangadhar here. Great. Poncelet, are you back on? Poncelet?
No. All right. (Juan)'s not here, and (Olivier) is not here. Maryam, did
(Olivier) send the...

Poncelet Ileleji: I'm back on. I didn't connect my...

Joan Kerr: Go ahead, go ahead.

Poncelet Ileleji: I'm back on. Sorry, Joan.

Joan Kerr: Okay great. Do you have anything new for policy and do you need any help?
Go ahead, Poncelet. Hello?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes.

Joan Kerr: Go ahead.

Poncelet Ileleji: I will (unintelligible). What I want to say...

Joan Kerr: Yes, you're going in and out, just so you know.

Poncelet Ileleji: ... in terms of what's happening now with policy. Okay can you hear me
clearly now?

Joan Kerr: Not clearly but it wasn't before but go ahead and let's see what happens now.

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes. I sent my email on the 19th in which - in July, in which I stickered all the
areas which focus on policy. That is the use of country (unintelligible) in the
TLDs, review of all rights and protection mechanisms and protection of IGO
and INGOs identified as gTLDs, privacy and proxy services accreditation,

issues with working groups and the thick Whois policy development process. Those were areas I felt all of us should take a look into and also contribute.

I also sent out information on how they can understand about the GNSO, how it works and everything and within the PDP processes. Unfortunately I have not got people, apart from the usual suspects, Raoul and (Martin) and Joan, who are in different working groups and some of these that are doing their own thing, but I have not really got any new member contacting me or a member that they want to be involved in the policy deliberations and for them to - for me to give them guidance. So that has not really happened.

But what I noticed that has happened is that at least I guess apart from Martin that joins during the policy committee meetings, (Martin) also joins. He's been a councilor. And Raoul also joins, and (Sam) also attends. So that is good. And we have also - I have also been very involved in all the comments that have needed approval with the group of NCSG. And yes that is what has happened on that part.

So what I would really love people apart from people from the executives to get involved more in policy, you know. So that is my biggest challenge now, and it's still a work in progress. I mean this was in the beginning of July, so let me see how the year turns out to see what people (unintelligible) get more people.

Joan Kerr: Right. No, definitely you need support and certainly intend that after we finish with some of this foundational stuff to also step up more to that. I have a question though. We have agreed on some of the issues that we want to focus on.

Are there any or, I mean it's not done yet, but maybe from now on if we could identify some of those issues and send them - and then for public comments to our members and start to communicate to our members what the issues are that need public comments so that they can start to do that. I think that going forward we should be really, really focused on that too because definitely what we need to do is start to communicate and engaging the members for the policy process. So.

All right. Lots of work in that case. So. I'm hoping that Abu Dhabi is like a new start for us that we can do some planning and have some really, really good agreements on going forward because I think it is important for NPOC to not just have the framework but actually let people know and get them involved. And I think we're doing the right thing and we're on the right track. So that's great. Maryam, yes.

All right. So we have (Olivier) on the call. Hi, (Olivier), do you have some tracking for us on the guide on any actions and issues that we talked about? Have you been able to do that? (Olivier)? If you are speaking, we can't hear you. No.

Okay, when you get your - if you are on and hearing us, when you get your audio going, maybe you can let us know. Or if not, if you could send us an e-mail saying what you're doing and what are the actions. That's probably the best way anyway.

Any other questions about any reports, any input, comments? Good.

So number four, while I think that - oh I have got to still finish up the updates for the NCSG. I'm going to put that on because I have got to finish that. I have it on my to-do list. So the NCSG, we had done that before, but there was some

other items that I saw that we can put in just to reinforce that we are actually doing some work.

But this is not for this year, this is for 2015 and 2016, so it's a past work, which was challenging for me to find. So. I'm keeping track of this year so when we have to do our review, whomever is doing it will have that information right at their fingertips. So that's why I'm doing the tracking so all of that stuff will be easier for the EC in the future.

We talked about the tracking of the EC work with (Trollo). Did you want to add anything else, Raoul, to A3? And we know we're working on the charter. We already talked about that. We've already agreed on an action for the tracking and administration.

Raoul Plommer: Yes, I think that's really - I think I covered it pretty much previously. So I think that's something I need to do. And I'll count not just be an opportunity for our members to join our work but also it will be giving us that little bit extra pressure to work in a timely manner as well. So we will meet those deadlines, because those were kind of back since it's open to the public.

Joan Kerr: Right. Yes. Absolutely. And, Poncelet, you're good. I think we've talked about the priorities previously. Are you good with that? Anything else you want to add to that?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes, I would like to add about the public consultation that - which was discussed yesterday briefly in the - in our policy call, the community and resources consultation, yes. So it's basically how our community trusts are managed. NCSG wants to put out a statement on that, you know. So I think it will also be good if NPOC puts a statement on that. I'm willing to draft something to send to the NPOC to discuss list by tomorrow. Yes.

Joan Kerr: Okay great. Okay wonderful. So that's an action as well. Great. Thank you.

Now I'm going to suggest something as well that - because I'm looking at the next one, which is the year-end review which we had not done. But we can still do something after Abu Dhabi, sort of a here is what we've done in the last three months sort of thing, because we're not actually responsible for the year in review. We're actually responsible for - since June.

So do - maybe get in the habit of every ICANN meeting that we do a review of the last three months, ending with the meeting for the conferences. Maybe that's what we need to so that our members know what we're doing. So we have the constituency day meetings, and after the meeting this is what we've done for the EC and this is what we accomplished at the conference, and here are the issues that came up at the conference, again, to get our members involved and be aware of what's going on. What do you guys think? Sounds like a plan?

Raoul Plommer: Sounds good.

Joan Kerr: Okay. Maryam, could you bring the agenda up a little bit, please? Great. Thank you. Everything is designed to get our members involved and that, you know, it's a little bit organized. It's not going to be right at the onset every single thing but at least I think we're getting there and we're going to look good. And our members will contribute to our looking good as well so that everyone is involved.

So I have nothing else in terms of communicating to our members. Yes (unintelligible). Any other business other than the logo, which I think I read

that Raoul asked Poncelet to vote on the logo. But other than that, any other business? No? Issues that we - sorry, go ahead. Did somebody want to speak?

Raoul Plommer: Gangadhar is typing something.

Joan Kerr: Yes I see that.

Gangadhar Panday: Hello?

Joan Kerr: Hi, Gangadhar, go ahead.

Gangadhar Panday: Are we making any small film about NPOC?

Joan Kerr: The history of NPOC? Is that what you're referring to?

Gangadhar Panday: Yes.

Joan Kerr: Well I think instead of you asking, maybe we had like the idea at a previous meeting, if you could give us an idea of what you want to do and so that we can start putting a storyboard together, that would be great.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes. I'll be needing some (unintelligible) and the beginning, when it started and all that and some visual (unintelligible) from the people who matter. And (unintelligible) available with me, I'll put them together and make them into a film, a small film, two minutes (unintelligible).

Joan Kerr: Well Poncelet is the only one who's involved - that was involved from the very beginning. Right, Poncelet? You were right at the onset of NPOC?

Poncelet Ileleji: Yes. I was right at the onset and I can give like an inside view.

Joan Kerr: Right. So, Gangadhar, if you could put together maybe a draft of what you foresee that you would like to do. I know that there's (unintelligible) of ICANN as well, but I think it's really important to speak to Poncelet because he was there and he knew the first EC as well. So he could talk about that a minute. You know, I think it's important to bring them in as well and just do a - this is how we started and here's where we're going. It's very important to say where we're going.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes. The next thing is - hello?

Joan Kerr: Yes, I can hear you. Go ahead.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes. Well we are planning to keep our social media account on Facebook and Twitter still after the meeting in Abu Dhabi?

Joan Kerr: Okay. I didn't understand what you said.

Gangadhar Panday: Oh. Our Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Joan Kerr: The Twitter account?

Gangadhar Panday: Yes, Twitter and Facebook.

Joan Kerr: Yes?

Gangadhar Panday: Are we going to keep them after doing ICANN 60, Abu Dhabi?

Joan Kerr: I would think so.

Gangadhar Panday: Yes, any hashtag do we know other than ICANN 60 hashtag - is there any hashtag for NPOC?

Joan Kerr: I'm really having a hard time, I'm sorry. Oh a hashtag, okay. There's a lot of noise in the background, I'm sorry. Well we'll talk to (Juan) about that and, yes, it sounds like a great idea. Of course it's a great idea. Let's talk to him as the communications person. How's that? To create one and that's his job, so let's do that. So put that down for (Juan) to do, Maryam, as a task. So that's a great idea. Thank you.

Any other questions, Gangadhar? You're done. Thanks. All right. So that's an old hand. Yes. (Unintelligible) would be very good. All right. Yes. Any other questions, issues, business arising? We're good. All right. So we have a few actions to do.

Poncelet, do let me know about your travel, if there's anything that we can do to help. And our next call will be on Tuesday. So if we could work on the charter for the next week and just review it and - oh, Maryam, is it possible that once we're done with the charter next week that you could print out copies for us to actually have copies in Abu Dhabi to actually have printed copies to work on when we're there? Is that possible?

Maryam Bakoshi: Yes, sure, definitely. That's a good idea. I'll get those copies.

Joan Kerr: Yes. So we're, you know, together and the printed copies and we can go through. So that would be great. So that's after the meeting next week though. Okay?

Raoul Plommer: That reminds me actually. I had a talk with Adam Peake and it's about the brochure we have and I told him -- I guess I should have checked this with

you guys -- but we agreed to change our brochure by one point and one point only, and that was - I think at the moment it has Joan's e-mail address there but we should change that to something that can be changed to whoever is holding that position at the time. So we put something like info@npoc.org.

Joan Kerr: Perfect. And who does that go to?

Raoul Plommer: And then - yes well. We can put that to the whole ExCom or the membership coordinator or whoever we want really.

Joan Kerr: Yes perfect. I'm okay with that.

Raoul Plommer: Yes. And I agreed with - well I told Adam that we'd probably be happy with about 200 brochures, and he should be able to print them for Abu Dhabi and deliver to them - or get them delivered to the hotel.

Joan Kerr: Okay. Perfect. Great job. All right. So the only other business arising is I have to do an update to the CROPP plans. We had a call with Adam as well and we had submitted a plan for our overall plans, but it needed to be specific for CROPP. And Adam suggested a couple of other events as well, and it has to be dated - end date being next June.

So I'm going to update that and send it to the EC as well and get that out of the way for this Friday so that we can submit it to ICANN. So that's the only other business arising on the to-do list. So. All right.

Maryam Bakoshi: Joan, it's Maryam. (Unintelligible) agenda for all the meetings for Abu Dhabi, it was supposed to have gone in before the schedule was published yesterday. So we're actually behind time to get the agenda up.

Joan Kerr: All right. Well I'll submit it this afternoon.

Maryam Bakoshi: Perfect. Thank you.

Joan Kerr: Okay. Gangadhar, your hand's up. Is that an old hand? Okay great. Any other questions? We're good. All right. Well - oh Gangadhar's hand's up. Go ahead, Gangadhar. Gangadhar, you have your hand up.

Gangadhar Panday: Any chance that I can join you in Abu Dhabi?

Joan Kerr: Sorry?

Gangadhar Panday: Any chance that I can go to Abu Dhabi?

Joan Kerr: Any chance that you can go to Abu Dhabi?

Gangadhar Panday: Ah, yes.

Joan Kerr: I don't know. Not from the seats that are available but - not that I'm aware of, but, you know. Yes. Sorry about that. That's probably something we should be working on to have more seats where we can allocate to those. But thanks for asking.

All right. I will call this meeting closed then if there are no other issues. Going once, twice, okay. Great. Thank you all. I think that was a great meeting and we will see you on Skype. Bye-bye. Maryam, we can call the meeting to an end.

Maryam Bakoshi: Thank you very much everyone. We can please stop the recording and disconnect all lines. Thank you. Bye.

Joan Kerr: Bye-bye.

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