### WHAT IS THE AFRICAN REGIONAL AT-LARGE ORGANIZATION (AFRALO)?

The five RALOs unite our ALSes and individual members based on their geographic regions, namely Africa (AFRALO), Asia, Australasian and Pacific Islands (APRALO), Europe (EURALO), Latin America and the Caribbean Islands (LACRALO), and North America (NARALO). As the communication forum and coordination point, the RALOs promote and assure the participation of regional Internet user communities within ICANN activities as well as enhance knowledge and capacity building. RALOs also form various internal working groups for their ALSes and individual members in their regions to collaborate on issues ranging from policy development to Internet governance. Each RALO has its own organizing documents including a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with ICANN. AFRALO also has an MOU with AFRINIC, the African Regional Internet Registry. AFRALO is also supported by Global Stakeholder Engagement teams who facilitate the development of critical infrastructure for the Domain Name System. The RALOs play a key role in ICANN's regional strategies.



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# THE AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

### 5 REGIONAL AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONS (RALOs) — OVER 190 AT-LARGE STRUCTURES (ALSes)

The At-Large Structures form the basis of the At-Large community representing the interests of Internet end users worldwide. The five RALOs unite our ALSes based on their geographic regions, namely African (AFRALO), Asia, Australasian and Pacific Islands (APRALO), Europe (EURALO), Latin American and the Caribbean Islands (LACRALO), and North America (NARALO).





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#### **WHAT IS ICANN?**

To reach another person on the Internet, you have to type an address into your computer - a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN helps coordinate and support these unique identifiers across the world. ICANN was formed in 1998 as a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation and a community with participants from all over the world. ICANN and its community help keep the Internet secure, stable and interoperable.

#### WHAT IS THE AT-LARGE COMMUNITY?

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Within ICANN, we are a volunteer community representing the interests of Internet users. There are over 190 At-Large Structures (ALSes) around the world and a growing number of independent members. Whether it is an Internet-related consumer rights group, an academic organization, or a public-minded individual, we share a passion for furthering the development of ICTs and contributing to policies that influence the technical coordination of the Domain Name System. We work to ensure that the Internet continues to serve the global public interest.



#### WHAT DOES AFRALO DO?

Our community offers numerous opportunities for individuals and organizations interested in engaging with ICANN. Want to gain knowledge about ICANN issues concerning end-users? We encourage you to join the RALO and ALAC teleconferences that take place monthly or to get involved in our capacity building webinar programs. Want to influence Internet policies such as WHOIS and new gTLDs? You may learn, discuss and debate with members in our working groups, as well as help draft policy advice on behalf of the ALAC. Have interests in areas other than strictly Internet policy? You are also welcome to contribute to advancing accessibility and inclusion at ICANN, testing communication and collaboration tools, and designing project proposals, among other At-Large communitywide efforts. By gaining experience, you will also have the opportunity to assume positions in the RALOS, the ALAC and other important decision-making bodies at ICANN. Want to join us? Email staff@atlarge.icann.org.