TERRI AGNEW:	…in a moment please.
	Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the EURALO monthly call taking place on Tuesday, the 19th of April, 2016 at 18:00 UTC.
	On the call today, we have Alan Greenberg, Yrjö Länsipuro, Wale Bakare, Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Sebastien Bachollet, Wolf Ludwig, and Mikhail Medrish.
	I have listed apologies from Jimmy Schulz and Pedro Veiga.
	From staff we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, and myself Terri Agnew.
	I would like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. Thank you very much and back over to you Olivier.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:	Thank you very much Terri. It's Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking, and have we missed anybody in the roll call by any chance?
SANDRA HOFERICHTER:	Yeah, Sandra is here. Sandra Hoferichter is on the phone.
OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:	Thank you Sandra, welcome. Anyone else? Okay. None at the moment, so let's get going with the call today. We have a packed

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agenda. We're going to be looking at the EURALO taskforce's progresses. The flyer update. Helsinki meeting is coming up soon. And we also have some CROPP requests for this fiscal year that we need to push through, and then we'll be looking at the regional selections for ALAC positions, because that's coming up too.

So let's go immediately with agenda item number two, and that's the brief summary of the current ALAC consultations. Quite a busy month for the ALAC, with a number of statements in the pipeline. First, one statement was approved by the ALAC and that was the draft framework on principles for cross community working groups. That's about a cross community working group that has done some work on defining on what cross community working groups should do.

And they've done quite a lot of work on this, and have to plug my phone in because it's running out of battery. And one report with some recommendations on how working groups, cross community working groups should be setup and run, etc. Anyway, the statement is there if you're interested. You can read it. Statement is in progress at the moment.

We've got the fiscal year 17 operating plan and budget, and the five year operating plan that are currently being proposed for public consultation until the 30th of April. It's still time to comment on this. Tijani Ben Jemaa is holding the pen in parallel with this. And others, now I think, because it's not normally me finalizing the white paper on the multi-year budget and of General Assemblies and At-Large summits. The statement that we'll be seeking for a while.

A number of other people have been involved with amending it. It's out for consultation within the ALAC at the moment, for a few more changes to be made. But that's also doing quite well in the pipeline, and that will be sent out very soon, I gather. Next, the draft report on the new gTLD program safeguards to mitigate DNS abuse.

Both Julie Hammer and I have had to read and review the public comment proceedings. I must admit, I haven't even had a chance to look at it myself yet, but I know that Julie has, and she has come up with some feedback. I'm looking at the page. There doesn't seem to be a draft, first draft per se, and I recall from memory that she said it was, there wasn't anything particularly out of place in what was being said, and what was being presented in this consultation.

But I will come back to this, after this call. I think I'll probably sort of look at it and provide further details. If you're interested in this topic, the closing time is the 25th of April, so there is still some time for you to be involved in helping with drafting a statement if there is a need for one.

The final report recommendations on the geographic regions review working group, very, very long process that has taken place to redefine the ICANN geographic regions. As a reminder, in our region, this is involving Armenia and a number of other countries around Armenia who might be moving from the Asia Pacific Islands, Asia, Australia, Pacific Islands region At-Large organization over to the European At-Large organization.

But we're still a certain distance away from this at the moment. It's a comment on the final report of those recommendations. And the ALAC is currently voting on this statement, it's due on the 24th of April. The notice of preliminary determination to grant registrar data retention waiver requests.

And this one is from [inaudible] Technologies, Denmark. That had a deadline of the 11th of January. We're not actually going to respond to this preliminary determination request, but it's a wider topic dealing with the data retention laws in Europe, and there has been some movement in Europe regarding that recently as well.

I note that Roberto [inaudible] is following up on this. I don't think he is on the call, which is a pity. I would have hoped that we could have had an update from him. But never mind, so that's the next one in there. And that's all the current statements currently being drafted, or in comment. There is some public comment requests that the ALAC has not decided to submit a statement, either because it was not something that effected end users or for various reasons.

So first one was the charter amendment of the GNSO gTLD registry stakeholder group. That really is a charter amendment within the registry stakeholder group, that's part of the GNSO Council and the GNSO. It's one of the GNSO stakeholder group and the contracted parties house.

The ALAC decided not to comment on this. That was quite an internal gTLD registry stakeholder group matter. The launch of the registration authentication platform for dot MOI TLD. We had a look at this, and it

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seems that it is some kind of, as it says on the title, a registration authentication system for any domains that would be registered under dot MOI. Nothing in particular to comment from the end user perspective, bearing in mind our previous comments, and the ALAC's previous comments mentioning that we would, in some cases, be, I think, were quite positive to authentication platforms for specific classes of top level domains.

The ones that are particularly sensitive, like dot bank and others. Then finally the release of country and territory names within the dot [inaudible] and dot [inaudible] TLDs. There have been a lot of these requests made for public consultations on release of country and territory names under the new top level domain, and we have never, we as in the ALAC, have never responded to any of them.

They are, again, on a case by case basis. This is something which I think, more often than not, I expect the government advisory committee, the GAC, because they are, of course, composed of countries that might be objecting to the release of a country and territory name under a top level domain.

And finally, there is a new public comment currently being looked at but not addressed yet, and that is a proposal for the clearest script, root zone label generation rules. I gather that the ALAC's internationalized domain name working group will be looking at this, and will be making recommendations as to whether a recommendation should be made, or a comment should be made in this public consultation.

That's all what's going on in a moment in the policy space. And the floor is now open for comments, and questions, and suggestions for any of these current public consultations. And I don't see any hands up.

Okay. So there are no comments or questions on this, then maybe we can move on. I gather we probably can. So the next part of our agenda is the EURALO taskforces progress. As you know, two taskforces have been created. One is a EURALO taskforce on At-Large structure engagement, and the other one is a taskforce on review and revision of the EURALO bylaws.

Well, the one taskforce on At-Large structure engagement hasn't progressed yet this month. It has been very busy elsewhere, and I note that there are only five people, at the moment, in the taskforce. So if any of you are interested, and are not engaged in this taskforce, then please email staff, and let them know that you would be interested in being added on the mailing list.

The two initial tasks are to follow-up on the ALS skillsets, and secondly to update and refine the list of At-Large structures with contact points behind a login. It's a bit of work to shift through those, and at the moment there just doesn't seem to be much time for any of the participants in the working group. So that's the first one.

The second taskforce is the one on the review and the revision of the EURALO bylaws. There was a call, a first call, that took place yesterday. And the documents which were sent by Mikhail Medrish on all of the EURALO bylaws and his comments, and proposed amendments, started looking at these. And it's a long task, so it's not going to be done all in

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one call. There is likely to be more than one call for this. In fact, we'll have another call next week and probably the week after, who knows? But the importance is we have started the work on this.

The first task is to map out the differences between the bylaws, how the bylaws are drafted and how EURALO actually works, and that's pretty much done. The question now is really to start discussing why there is a discrepancy between one and the other. One unfortunately matter that we have found out is that the set of bylaws that was marked as being the 2011 bylaws are wrong.

They're not the ones. They're not abated. So there was, rightly as noted by Mikhail Medrish, there was no difference between the 2007 bylaws and the 2011 bylaws. We've now had a good look at these, and for some reason, the Wiki was not updated correctly.

Anyway, we're cleaning this up and we're working now on the proper set of bylaws that has been sent to the taskforce mailing list. Any comments or questions on this? Any editions to this?

Mikhail Medrish, you have the floor.

MIKHAIL MEDRISH: Thank you. Olivier, I would like to say it is necessary to look through documents and mail archives very carefully, because it's not clear for me. I've looked once, thank you Wolf, sent a good [inaudible] to see, to look at. So it is necessary to look at what does it mean. So a lot of job had, I suppose. Thank you.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah, thanks for this Mikhail. And yes, it's going to be a lot of work. We seem to have had a bit of a historical problem, in that this change of bylaws and so on took place shortly after we had one person who was very efficient in running the, all of the Wiki, and to do with At-Large structures and so on.

And then we went through a period where there was no staff member at all in charge of this. In fact, it was a very lean period, should I say? And so a number of things seem to have fallen through the cracks, and certainly we don't appear to have the exact update of the, you know, the vote and so on, on what exactly happened there.

I think that Wolf did ask whether it was possible for staff to try and find out the results of that vote, because they must be somewhere in the archives. And the votes usually take place, the online votes take place using [inaudible]. There is, if it is setup correctly, there is a, what do you call it? An archive of all of the votes that have taken place on the account.

So it might be a little while ago, but hopefully we would be able to find this. And I note that Silvia is on it, said, we are on it and we'll come back to you with any findings soon. It's not an easy task, because it's not just a case of doing a search in the votes, it goes a little more deeply for having tried to do that in the past, and sometimes it doesn't work, so it will take a little while.

Mikhail Medrish, you had your hand up again.

MIKHAIL MEDRISH: No, it's the wrong movement of my mouse. Excuse me.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Well you have, your mouse obviously doesn't have… The control here.

MIKHAIL MEDRISH: My mouse is its own life.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Its own life, good. Fair enough. Any other comments or questions on these two topics? I just would like to add, whilst there is no hand up, that I'm quite pleased that work is progressing on this, and it is going to, if at all, it's going to put our house in order a little bit, and clean up a few of our archives and so on.

I think it's important to sometimes do a little stocktaking of what we have, and this, if at all, is a good stocktaking of where we are with regards to our articles of incorporation, or bylaws, etc. No articles of incorporation because we're not incorporated, but the bylaws, etc. I'm starting to ramble, let's move on if nobody wants to speak on this.

And the next thing is the EURALO flyer. And the EURALO flyer is quite important in that we need to have this done and ready as soon as we can so that it can be printed and made ready for EURODIG, which is really the primary meeting that takes place in Europe every year on Internet governance, and it's quite a lot of perspective At-Large structures that go and attend this.

Terri has very kindly put the link to the Wiki on our EURALO flyer. There is… So there are two things. There are comments which are on the flyer itself. There are comments which are underneath the flyer itself. There are comments in the comment box. And I'm not quite sure, and I'm going to ask Silvia on this, how are we going to do this?

Because I know that Silvia has mentioned that we should put comments on the flyer itself. I'm just concerned that it's going to be so full of comments, it will be completely impossible to read it. And I wondered whether the people who are going to make the changes on the flyer, are able to both see the comments on the flyer and also the comments that are underneath, and come up with an updated one.

Because for the time being, I must admit, I'm getting really, I wouldn't say confused, but certainly I think there is just so much in there. Silvia Vivanco, you have the floor.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you Olivier. Actually, what [inaudible] requested from us, is to give them a PDF with the edit on the PDF. So, to the extent possible, we should provide that so they just review the flyer, and can immediately accept all changes and see the edits. That's the way they operate, the [inaudible].

So we have a set of comments, as you said, on the Wiki. We have a set of comments on the PDF. It was Sebastien who did it. So we have probably [inaudible] first to agree or disagree with the comments proposed by several members, and then to put them all into the PDF.

So I will actually, Olivier, if you would like, we can have a session, live, with Wolf and staff, and we can go through the paragraphs and start editing. That would be one way. Or the other way would be if you would like to do it, go through the comments, review, accept or not, and include them in the PDF.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Thanks for this Silvia. It's Olivier speaking. So one small problem on my side is I don't have any means to edit the PDF. You need the Acrobat Pro, or whatever it is, software to edit PDFs. So for me, it looks like, yeah, I'm not quite sure how we can do this one. And it certainly seems to be double duty to be then transcribing everything that has been put underneath that PDF into the…

So underneath the leaflet, all the comments, and then transcribe them onto this PDF. It seems a bit long-winded. But I see Sebastien, who has been, during this, has his hand up. So maybe Sebastien can enlighten us on this. Sebastien Bachollet.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. Yeah, just to say that you don't need any tool, you just need PDF, and in PDF, you can add underline text and add comments. That's it, you can't do anything else. But you can do those two actions. It's what I have done in the current PDF, and anybody can do it. And you can accept or read my own comments on the current version. That's also possible.

Then I don't think that it's a question of tool. Now I agree with you that putting back what is on the comments underneath document will be a long task and maybe not very useful. I just think that, as it was suggested by Silvia, we may have a very short or [inaudible] with a very small set of people, and try to go through and take the one we think are useful, and leave the other outside and that's the new text.

I don't think that we can do here, that here in this group, it's too much people. But a small group could be a good idea. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Sebastien. Yeah, I understood that it is possible to make comments on the paper. But rightly so, you can't make, we cannot make the changes ourselves on the paper. So we can only have the comments on there. That's what I was going at. So if I understood correctly Silvia, they want us to give them a camera ready thing? Or just one flyer with all of our comments on it?

SILVIA VIVANCO: The way we have worked before with comments, they request on the PDF, the actual edit as Sebastien said. We can put a comment on, there is like a bubble next to it, and you can add a comment and even redline the document.

That's how we provide the final draft to the [inaudible] department.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: All right. So a number of us probably… It's better if a small number of us can get together on a call, and we can do the three of us together like this, three or four of us. I don't know if anybody… Sebastien I gather, you're probably one of these people who has his hand up for this. I suggest maybe Wolf and I as well, and perhaps anybody else interested.

Is there anybody else interested in helping out with the editing of this? Okay. So we'll just do Sebastien, Wolf, and I. We've got all of the comments that are there. It's just a matter of finding the time to do it. Silvia, let's do a call with you as well on this. And so we're all on the same page.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Excellent. So whenever you are ready, we have to provide the final draft for next Friday, the 30th, so it would be Friday the 29th. So within this week or early next week, we could…

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: We have a week and a half. Let's try and see by email when it's best. I don't know if… I know that Wolf is busy Thursday and Friday this week. He's travelling, so it's going to be a bit difficult for him. So we might have to do it early next week, if Sebastien and Wolf are okay with it, but let's follow up with email afterwards.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Okay, we'll send a Doodle, and we will set up a call.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay, thank you. And for anyone else who has not yet had a look at the flyer, there are a lot of comments that have already been put there. If you want to review this, you can also add your comments underneath on the Wiki page itself. And then we'll add them to the flyer.

Of course, if you've already read, the comment has already been made, it doesn't matter that you don't need to also add your comment and say yes, likewise, I think so too.

Good, okay. I think we can move on then. And the next thing in our agenda is the Helsinki meeting. And that's coming up very quickly. It's in June, and as you know, this meeting was supposed to take place in Panama, and that's been moved to Helsinki so it's in our region. We had a discussion with Wolf on whether the General Assembly should take place at this year's EURODIG, or whether we could have a General Assembly taking place in Helsinki.

And it's probably better that we do it in Helsinki. I think there was some support from others for doing it in Helsinki. It's not a funded face to face General Assembly, which means that the people who will be able to travel, either thanks to ICANN or on their own behalf to Helsinki, will be able to meet face to face, but everyone else will be invited to join in remotely.

And we will be carrying out the tasks that we usually do during the General Assembly, with the yearly update from the chair, and a few things. We probably sort of need to build it up and see what we want to discuss during the General Assembly, and so I will open the floor in a

second, in fact I can open the floor now, and ask for your suggestions on this.

And Wolf I notice a green tick. Do you have a couple of words to let us, just to refresh our minds on what is in a General Assembly? What was…? We've had General Assemblies in the past. We had one when we all met in Dublin, not that long ago. So that was a big face to face General Assembly, but in general, when we don't have people funded to come face to face, what is discussed in the General Assembly?

What kind of an agenda do we have for this? Wolf Ludwig.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thanks Olivier. It's Wolf Ludwig for the record. Actually, from the approach, and some [inaudible] it's not much difference between face to face and virtual General Assembly, besides the practical issues, the preparations and asking members who will attend, etc. Of course, this is always a logistic challenge, taking effort and time.

The essentials are we need to announce the General Assembly at four weeks, and we have to invite three weeks prior to holding the General Assembly, to inform the members that there will be a General Assembly. Then we have to discuss an agenda. What is also not much different. It can be, more or less, the agenda from previous meetings.

The only difference, there will be no elections at the next General Assembly. So it will be only regular procedures like presenting the annual report and to discuss activities. We had during the year before. And then with the members who can make it, then we have to check

with At-Large staff in what room it will be in Helsinki, that we can have remote participation for the meeting, etc. These are the practical things, and then we have to bill the people who are present there, people are not present, they have the agenda, they have the general report, etc.

They can also make suggestions, even if they cannot participate. Then we usually compact the meeting with the people who are present. But whatever decision will be taken at the non-face to face General Assembly is simply a preliminary decision of the members present. And this has to be afterwards communicated via the list. And to ask for approval or objections of the rest of the members.

These are usually, that's whenever we did, we had in 2010, not face to face, this was [inaudible] in 2011 in Belgrade, and in 2012 in Stockholm, we had already three such non-face to face General Assemblies. So we are familiar with the differences, and we contact them usually according to our usual procedures, if they are not as many people, if there are only less than 10 in the room, instead of around 30, it's happening in a more informal way.

But we have to follow certain rules as for a regular face to face meeting.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Wolf. Very helpful indeed. And I note in the chat that Silvia Vivanco has suggested that we open a Helsinki General Assembly Wiki page, and that we can start with a draft agenda. I would go further and say that as a starting point, we can probably cut and paste from our last year's draft agenda, and then we will be able to

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modifying this and obviously getting rid of the elections part, since there are no elections in EURALO this year. At least no elections as far as, no elections on chair and secretariat, etc.

WOLF LUDWIG: Right. No elections for the Board, because they all have two years term. There will be a nomination process and I think it's on the agenda later, for next ALAC candidate, etc. This can be also discussed at General Assembly again, but there are no formal elections at the General Assembly itself.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay thanks for this. And I note from the chat that Heidi says that the selections for the ALAC and for the other positions are to be completed in May. So by the time we have the General Assembly in Helsinki, it will have already been past anyway.

WOLF LUDWIG: That's what I thought or that's what I assumed as well.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Good. Any questions or comments on this General Assembly? I don't see anyone putting their hands up, so that's another little bit of work that is coming up, preparing this General Assembly. Now secondly we have the outreach activities in Helsinki. There are a number of things going on simultaneously.

First, the very fact that this is a B type meeting. And the B type meeting is shorter than an A or a C type meeting. It also has a significant component of itself devoted to outreach. Reaching out to local populations, schools, or university students. Basically trying to get out there and talk to the population about what the Internet and At-Large and what ICANN is about, and domain names, etc.

There are a number of activities that are being, as we speak, discussed. I certainly am aware of the outreach and engagement subcommittee working on this. There is also some work by ICANN staff itself, themselves, on outreach with the European VP for outreach and engagement. But there is also a coordination going on, I guess.

And there are two people who are in charge of this coordination. One is Sebastien Bachollet and the other one is Yrjö Länsipuro. Sebastien for the ALAC, and Yrjö being the local [inaudible], as one could say, in Helsinki. So I'm not sure who wishes to speak first. I was going to perhaps ask about how, any progress on the ALAC from Sebastien, and then as from Yrjö, what are the different plans?

I certainly know that on the one hand, there could be a showcase in Helsinki. There could also be an event afterwards. I'm not exactly sure. And there could also be an event before that, in other words, an activity that would take place on the Monday or Tuesday, I don't even know what day is earmarked for this, to go leave the ICANN meeting and go and meet with some people, some local people.

So let's start with Sebastien Bachollet please. I see no issues from Sebastien. Okay, what are we expecting Sebastien? Let me just put you on the spot here. Where are we now? From where we were before?

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: It's Sebastien Bachollet. Thank you Olivier. I must admit that I didn't work on that issue since the last call. No move. The purpose was to try and see how we can do something, I would like in Marrakech with, for example, students or NGOs or other type of users in Helsinki. Maybe I can suggest to call or chat with Yrjö in the next few days and come back to the list and to see what we can do.

I'm sorry not to have done anything on that issue the last few weeks.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Sebastien. It's no worries. We will take that out from your big salary that you're being paid for being in the position that you are in. Let's go to Alan Greenberg who has got an even larger salary. Alan Greenberg is the ALAC chair.

ALAN GREENBERG: Yeah, and you can cut it in half, I won't notice. As far as I know, you said the GSE VP for Europe is doing something. As far as I know, there is no central planned outreach activity. Now, maybe that's changed since I last heard an update, but at this point, if we do anything, it's purely up to us, and the only funding, I believe, we can expect from ICANN is, you know, a shuttle bus or something like that.

But as far as I know, because of the change of location to Helsinki, they were not planning any substantive type of centralized outreach. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Alan. It's Olivier speaking. And I have seen, I think it was a few days ago, that in Finland, 98% of the population is connected to the Internet, and the remaining 2% just don't want to be at all. Maybe we should go and find those 2%. Yrjö Länsipuro.

YRJO LANSIPURO: Yeah, they don't want to be bothered. Well anyway…

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Speak a bit further from your mic because your voice comes out very…

YRJO LANSIPURO: [Inaudible] now?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: It's still a bit loud.

YRJO LANSIPURO: Okay. I will speak… I will try to be away from the mic as much as I can. Anyway, I'm sorry I didn't answer your email about the GENS show part, but [inaudible] an interesting possibility, because the ISOC Finland has been, we reserved actually a nice place not far from the [inaudible] for

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an event for ISOC people at the meeting. I understand that ISOC itself is not organizing anything in Helsinki, so [inaudible] that ISOC Finland would be a small reception for other ISOC people.

Now this could be enlarged, of course. I mean, the place… But then the question is how many people should be accommodated and so on and so forth? Because there are certain limitations. But I mean, I'm open for anything actually, for combing the ISOC event, ISOC Finland event with whatever music that could be available from this, from the GENS.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this. It's Olivier speaking. And you've spoken about the social event, which we might wish to move forward with. Just as a reminder, this is a four day meeting, which I think starts on the Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Or is it Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday? It's one or the other. But there is, Wednesday night is probably likely to be taken up by Women in DNS event, and the Monday night is likely to be taken up by some kind of local host event or something…

YRJO LANSIPURO: Yeah, that's the… The City of Helsinki, yeah.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: City of Helsinki event, okay. So Tuesday is the only time. The question I had now is whether we would be planning a showcase, and a showcase that takes place at the conference center itself. I understand there is a little bit of funding from ICANN for a showcase to take place. But it

really depends on what we want to showcase, or whether we should have a discussion, or something like this.

I remind you all that we did not have a showcase in Dublin. We had a discussion on the public interest in Dublin. That was quite interesting. I don't think we can have another discussion on the public interest. Maybe we can have a discussion on something else. I don't know. Let's see. I have Yrjö Länsipuro still in the queue. Is that an old hand or is that a new one?

It's Sebastien Bachollet next.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. Sebastien Bachollet speaking. I really think that we need to try to think another way. We don't want to repeat what is done in the other meetings. And therefore, I don't think it is a good idea to have any showcase. If we want to do something, let's try to do something but really different, and not trying to mimic what we have done up until now.

Really the idea of the meeting is to be really another type of meeting. And the second point is that we are mixing two things. We're mixing the outreach, and the outreach is supposed to take place on Monday. It was supposed to be for everybody within ICANN one day outreach. It has end up to be the ones who wants, and very short time. But still, if we can do something around Monday, let's say outside of the place, or bringing new people inside, if we are able to, but that will really depend on the help of the local people because we can't manage that from outside.

It was a discussion, we had a long discussion about doing that in Panama. And in Panama we tried to see where we could have contact, who could help us [inaudible]… would help us find the right people, the right place to go on the [inaudible] for outreach.

And the question of an event within the organization on Thursday, it's something different. But please don't try to [inaudible] that you will. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much Sebastien. It's Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. You mentioned Monday, and I don't even know what the status is with regards to Monday and Tuesday now, as far as our actual sessions are concerned. Let me turn to Heidi Ullrich for a bit of enlightenment on this.

HEIDI ULLRICH: I'm not sure I can do that, but I will try. To just let you know what I know, and then suggest an idea too. So again, keep in mind that meeting B starts on Monday. And there is going to be this town hall event on that Monday evening. But each day in the afternoon, Monday through Thursday, there is going to be between I believe three and five, there will be sort of a plenary session, where all of the ACs and SOs get together.

So and Wednesday, as Olivier mentioned, there is an event in the evening. Now Tuesday, there might be some social events going on in the evening too. Olivier might wish to let you know about that. So a

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suggestion might be is to as in Marrakech, that worked really well, was during the morning of Tuesday, which is when the ALAC sessions that we hold, the work sessions will likely take place, to have some sort of short outreach session there.

And I think what Yrjö is saying that there might be something nearby where people could go out. And then using the funds available for the showcase, to then perhaps have something back at the venue. Maybe a lunch or something where we can invite people, a buffet lunch or something. And then have some sort of session with ISOC and others coming back there for the outreach and engagement. Go ahead, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes, thanks for this. No, are you done? Or are there other suggestions that you have?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes. Basically that's just an idea that the [inaudible] is on Tuesday, and to combine it, combine, use the funds that we have for the showcase was something that we can maybe do, you know, linked to the outreach, and then bring it back. Now do that out of the venue, if it's nearby, and then bring them and others that are in the ICANN venue together for something around lunchtime on Tuesday, using the funds that we have for the showcase.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Heidi. Sebastien Bachollet, you have the floor.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. Sebastien Bachollet speaking. It's in what the working group on the [inaudible] strategy have done, and it was actually by the Board, it's not any more. The way the meeting will be organized and I have nothing to say except that I am very puzzled that some people decide to change what was supposed to be done.

And that's not good, but if it's alive in ICANN, I see how we will go for the transition. So that rude, but I am really upset with what is going on. And not having any involvement in what is happening, it's where I think when the implementation that is done with the people who work on the proposal, we arrive with something completely different. Sorry. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks very much for this Sebastien. It's Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. And I'm not knowledgeable in depth about the differences between the plan of the meeting strategy working group and what's being implemented right now. I have a feeling that we're, well actually I don't have any feeling. I have no idea really what's going on in Helsinki.

[CROSSTALK] suggestions that Heidi has made, and maybe Heidi, you have the floor again.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes, sorry, just to interrupt again. My understanding is that there is no other outreach being planned, period. That basically is just At-Large you're doing some sort of outreach. So you know, I think we need to

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move forward in a positive way, and maybe show the other groups how useful [inaudible] At-Large can be. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Heidi, just a quick question for this. It's Olivier speaking. You said there is no other outreach happening. Is that specific to this meeting because we are in Helsinki, we're in Finland. The Finns are probably going to do outreach to us, rather than us doing outreach to them? Or is it that the implementation team for this meeting strategy has decided this is how things will be done now?

HEIDI ULLRICH: This is Heidi. So my view is maybe a bit of both. That's may be because the last minute change to Helsinki. And then again, even meeting A in Marrakech was supposed to have outreach among the other groups and we didn't see that much. But At-Large, what we did was really setting a high standard for everyone else.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Okay. Sebastien Bachollet.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. The meeting in Marrakech was a little bit special because the local host was part of At-Large, or part of the local host was Aziz, and we end up with a lot of [inaudible] from him, and it was why we had this very good and high level of engagement. But if nobody else is doing outreach during the Helsinki meeting, I don't see why we will

stand on that, and with the other work on some issue and we will not be able to do it. Monday was not supposed to be a day of working within ICANN.

ICANN was supposed to work for three days. And we had one day for going out. People don't understand that they need to find new way to work and to work in shorter time. It's not possible? Okay, but then let's do like the other. Don't try to do better than the other. We have shown in Marrakech what we could do, we don't need to do it in Helsinki, and find. That's it.

We have a lot of things to do, other work to do, and my goal is not to show the other. I don't care. We need to show to the end users. If we have end user to tackle with, to discuss with, let's go. If we don't, leave that alone and the end user normal work [inaudible] have all this session inside ALAC, and then the session with the other. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Sebastien. Next is Alan Greenberg.

ALAN GREENBERG: Thank you. Just to be clear, my understanding, which could be wrong, is that the change in not having a specific ICANN wide outreach focus was because of the venue, not because of an intent to change B meetings. Just for the record. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Alan. And next is Yrjö Länsipuro.

YRJO LANSIPURO: Yeah, just a question. The period after midsummer in Finland is a time when basically everybody is at their summer cottage [inaudible]… The notion of having to do some work, including attending conferences, at that time, is somewhat strange. So that [inaudible] outreach to… I think it would be good to have some outreach for the Finnish society, to end users and so on and so forth. But that would mean actually, that certain [inaudible] and so on and so forth, but gets people interested with the work.

And that means that we should start pretty early. [Inaudible] helping that, but they of course, [inaudible] and then what I would say about [inaudible] that's a [inaudible] and [inaudible] ISOC event could be somehow combined with [inaudible]. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this. It's Olivier speaking. Next is Sebastien. And you know, I'm going to close the queue after Wale, because we are starting to go a little bit in circles. We do have a few more things to discuss today. So next is Sebastien Bachollet.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yeah, sorry Olivier. Sebastien Bachollet. Just to be sure, if I heard well is to say that everybody will be in their country houses and we don't need to do any outreach, specific outreach during the Helsinki meeting. And I get your point Alan. I could agree with you, but I am sure that the next B meeting will be in Durban, don't we already get there? The

meeting was supposed to be in new places. We will not do outreach either. And then the habit will be getting, we will have four days of meetings.

Sorry to be negative, but I really think it's… Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thanks for this Sebastien. Net is Wale Bakare.

Wale, you might be muted. We cannot hear you at the moment.

Okay, we're unable to hear you Wale. I don't know whether it's your connection or Adobe Connect. It seems that you are muted at the moment.

Okay Wale has put his hand down, and hopefully we'll be able to type his point in the chat. Right. I don't think we've made much progress on the outreach activities yet. What we'll do is to follow up after this call. I will follow up with Yrjö. There are two things. There is the ability to have an activity during the day, and there is also the ability to have some activity in the evening.

The activity in the evening is more of a social event type thing, and this, I'm currently in discussion with Yrjö and others, to see if we could have that global equal multistakeholder band which we had in Marrakech, in the restaurant, as part of the venue in Marrakech. It was great fun for a lot of people.

We need the sponsor on the one hand, we might be able to get a sponsor. Maybe the same sponsor as Marrakech. But as far as the

social event is concerned, I think we're pretty much set and there is not much that we need to discuss here. On the event of showcase, or something that will take place at the venue or some formal outreach activity that would take place there, I think the point of Yrjö saying we are just, I believe it's just after midsummer, and it's probably is going to be a bit bizarre for people to come in and work or discuss things in a very serious way.

We'll have to follow up on this afterwards. Let's go on. We have two more agenda items and we only have three minutes left. Let's try to go through them efficiently. First, the CROPP fiscal year 17 requests. Now, the, it's actually fiscal year 16 requests, because the fiscal year ends on July the 1st. So FY 15 is, FY 16 is still the fiscal year that we're in for the targeted dates for the CROPP travels. The CROPP is community regional outreach pilot program.

It is used by the At-Large community and by the regional At-Large organizations to go out there and try and get more outreach, find new ALSs, enable ALSs that are out there. Wolf and I have discussed the way that it has been done in Europe in the EURALO region in the past. In our region, in the past few years, there has been a selection of people to go over, so selected from parts of Europe where there could be an At-Large structure, or there is a newly established At-Large structure, and bring them over to the EURODIG, the European dialogue on Internet governance, which is really Europe's premier event for Internet governance these days.

This year's one is taking place in Brussels. It's a particularly large meeting and with a lot of people. So we are definitely going to be doing

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a lot of outreach at the EURODIG. But it would be good to also have a mix of people that would come to the EURODIG to help us with doing the outreach, or to also cement maybe the ability of these ALSs or these organizations to become At-Large structures.

Wolf and I have discussed, on our recent travels throughout Europe, of potential participants. And the list that we are proposing is as follows. First there is [inaudible]. Wolf, could you say a couple of words about [Rolof?] please?

WOLF LUDWIG: Can you hear me?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes we can.

WOLF LUDWIG: It's Wolf Ludwig for the record. [Inaudible] Olivier and I discussed the matter under the following logic, it would be a good opportunity now trying to get new members, new coming members involved, and actually at the moment, we have three applicants. We have two applicants from Austria, so it's [inaudible] from the Austrian Computing Society. And [inaudible] from another Austrian association which is close to the Vienna University.

They have two candidates, one was recently last one, [inaudible] on the list. And there was no objection from your side, from our members, that we approve and recommend certification to ALAC. The second one

is [inaudible] and then we had a third application from Serbia. And I'm very pleased after various efforts, that we finally could get another member from the Balkan region.

And for Olivier and me it was almost a logic to suggest them for the next CROPP support and to attend EURODIG. And they were all very pleased about our invitation, etc. Then we had, as a suggestion, [inaudible] from [inaudible] Romania on the slot. And she's interested, but she told us that she has other channels for support to come to EURODIG in June. And then we had to find two more candidates, and then we thought well, it's a good idea to have [inaudible].

And finally, Olivier got in contact with a guy from Romania, who could also be a new potential member. And after Olivier contacted him, he immediately confirmed. So we now have five candidates on our slots. After various discussions, I still believe it's a good selection for a good criteria and reasons.

And not to come back to people we have funded in the past. So these are basically and shortly the arguments, the key arguments of the discussion I had with Olivier, and we contacted the people and they responded, and we are now a little bit in a hurry to present, to finalize our CROPP request and to send it to staff as a proper [inaudible]. That's it.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much Wolf. It's Olivier Crépin-Leblond speaking. I was just going to add a couple of more things. First on the gentlemen from Romania, it's [inaudible] is his name. I met him last week. He was a

representative for ISOC Romania, the Internet society chapter in Romania. A few years ago, I had been in Romania and tried to get that chapter interested in joining EURALO. And there was a bit of a question mark. They weren't quite sure whether they were interested or not interested.

I note that the interest has now risen, and so this would be an excellent opportunity to have a newcomer. [Inaudible] is a very new person in Internet circles. So it's also reaching out for younger members as well. And as far as the others are concerned, obviously Yrjö is not a newcomer. We all know that, but I think certainly his inclusion in being able to come to Brussels for EURODIG is going to be very helpful when it comes down to actually us performing outreach out there.

And Yrjö having been on the nominating committee for so many years, is well aware on how to recruit more people for At-Large and for EURALO. And on top of that, I think he can also act as a mentor for any of the others, the other four in the list. So that's the current proposed rundown of people.

I realize it's not very bottom up, but the problem that we've had is trying to identify people. I have asked in the past, do you have any suggestions? And I have not received any suggestions for the ALSs anywhere. What we will probably do is after the final reports are given for this CROPP travel, from all of those people going to EURODIG, I would say that the Board, the EURALO Board would have to come together and evaluate the return on investment on this.

Not only for this year, but for previous years as well, and finding out if the way that we're doing the CROPP requests is actually more or less helpful to our development then the other regions. The other regions take usually the chair or somebody in the leadership of the RALO, and send them to other conferences, which are not the usual conferences that ICANN goes to.

And I'm not quite sure what the response rate is on those either. So it's a different way that we do things in Europe, I guess. And EURALO is testing this out. We've had some failures, we've had some successes. Let's hope the five that we have here are going to be great successes. We already know one is a great success that' Yrjö, but the other four.

Any comments or questions on this? The FY 16 request must be sent by April the 28th. Thank you Silvia. It must be sent by the CROPP review team by April the 28th, which means that we need to really send those CROPP requests before the end of this week.

We have a couple of more days, 48 hours let's say, to build those, and send them out for the CROPP review team to have enough time to review them. Sebastien Bachollet.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. I was, at least I heard that we wanted to have [inaudible] participation to other conference. We put all of our eggs in the same basket, which again, I am really concerned with that. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:
Thanks for this Sebastien. It's Olivier speaking. As I said, I think in the future years, we definitely have to look at this. But one of the things though, is we have to choose what are these other conferences, and there is a political side to this in that if one chooses a local IGF, let's say, so let's say the Swiss IGF, that of course would then mean that everyone wants to, every country will want to go for CROPP to these countries.

I don't know. It's a little difficult. It is something that we need to carefully plan because obviously the success of the program really depends on the actual conference that is chosen, the conference itself. So we might wish to ask for the future calls, or maybe the current Board of EURALO to look at this, and to perhaps start looking at other conferences that we might wish send people to.

As I said, this current year finishes now, and we, as soon as we gone through this, we now have to really think about the next fiscal year, FY 17, which starts from the 1st of July. So maybe that discussion needs to start soon as well.

Okay. That's the CROPP request. Now the EURALO regional selections for ALAC position. Let's do one minute on this, just to say that we are launching this. I know we are way over the limit for today. I was hoping we were going to finish early, but obviously not the case.

So the schedule is such that… Let me just make this large. By the 26th of April, so on the 26th of April, there will be a call for nominations, and for nominees to draft their statements, from the 26th of April to the 9th of May is the nomination period. That's a 10 day period. On the 16th of May, there is a deadline for nomination acceptances.

From the 18th to the 25th, there are elections taking place. That's when the votes of the ALSs will be required. And the newly elected ALAC representative will be seated at the wrap up session during the 2016 annual general meeting. So that's the meeting that will take place at the end of the year in November, November/December.

So that's the schedule at the moment. And the person, the incumbent at the moment is Sandra Hoferichter, and she is, I believe, she is not going for reelection for this. So that's an open position. Then we also have the ALAC voting delegates to the nominating committee. And Yrjö Länsipuro was so far our voting delegate to the NomCom, and he is not eligible for re-selection, since he has reached his term limit.

So we need to nominate someone there as well. And that's again, the schedule for the NomCom is also very tight, very similar to the others. So it's 26th of April, announcement, 10 working days for the nominations. 16th of May is the deadline for the nomination acceptances, and then from the 18th to the 25th we have the vote that will take place as well.

And that, I believe, is the announcement here. I open the floor for comments or questions. Sebastien Bachollet.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you Olivier. Thank you for all of these announcements. I would like to stress that we really need to find a way to have as much as diversity, and for that point, I think it's important to try to have a woman and somebody from Eastern Europe will be preferable. It's, I am not sure we will get that, but at least we need to try.

And then we need to try to see people from, if women from those countries, or from south part of Europe, or other part of Europe maybe, but East would be good. We need to try to help them to become engaged. Thank you.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you Sebastien. Next is Wolf Ludwig.

WOLF LUDWIG: Thanks Olivier. Wolf Ludwig for the record. I just want to add to this. Sebastien said exactly our consideration and exactly our priority. I think as long as we are having this direct informal context, and nothing is confirmed, I'm hesitating to drop names, but what you mentioned, Eastern European and female is exactly our priority.

And I still hope we will get a confirmation from the candidate we asked what would make me personally rather [inaudible] to have a balance, regional and gender wise, etc. The problem is people, what happened in the past to me, I approach, didn't confirm then we had to look for other alternatives or solutions.

In the moment, it's the status of [inaudible].

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you for this Wolf. It's Olivier speaking. And [inaudible] in English is the status of the poll. Testing out. Right. I note that we are very much beyond the allocated time for this call, are there any comments or questions regarding the process? This is just to give you really an

advanced warning that this is coming up, so get ready to nominate, get ready to start moving. 26th of April is when it's all starting, so we have about a week.

And I think it would be good to follow exactly what Sebastien said. Actually finding someone in one of our underserved regions, and certainly with this gender diversity particularly important as well. And staff will note nominations and acceptances. Nominations and so on can be made on the mailing list, obviously.

But the opening period has not started yet. So announcement is on the 26th of April. And with this, we move into any other business now.

I don't see anyone putting their hand up so I would like to thank you all for joining this call. I realize it has been primarily focused on things that were taking place internally at EURALO. There is a lot going on between the CROPP, the regional selection, the Helsinki meeting, the different work of the taskforces.

Please, if you do have a bit of time on your hands, think about helping out with the one taskforce that does need help and that's the one on the ALS structure, At-Large structure engagement. We are getting more At-Large structures. We are getting more At-Large structures into EURALO.

We also have to work together to try and see how we can get our current At-Large structures interested in the work of EURALO. And I do realize that calls like this monthly call might not be that exciting, so maybe there is also a few things that we can also change in the monthly call to get people more interested.

So with this, I would also like to recognize and thank Alan Greenberg, the ALAC chair, who has joined our call today. He has to do all five RALO calls, and it's not an easy task, having been in his shoes a few years ago. So thanks for this Alan. It's really appreciated that you managed to join us for this hour, hour and 15 minutes.

And with this, I would like to thank our staff and adjourn this call. So thank you and goodbye.

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