

## Adobe Connect chat transcript for Thursday, 05 May 2016

Terri Agnew:Welcome to the New gTLD Auction Proceeds CCWG Charter Drafting Team held on Thursday, 05 May 2016

Olga Cavalli - GAC:Hi Terri can you enable my audio on adobe?

Terri Agnew:Hi Olga, yes, mics will be active. This call will begin in 30 minutes.

Olga Cavalli - GAC:sure thanks

Terri Agnew:Mics are now active

Erika Mann:I'm in but I think someone put me again on forced mute

Terri Agnew:Hi Erika, you will need to active your mic. Directions are on screen now

Erika Mann:Terri, the problem is always the same, 'someone' puts me when I enter on mute. I can see the curser moving. I mentioned this before. On my end, I'm fine, not muted.

Terri Agnew:Would you like the op to dial out to you on the telephone?

Erika Mann:I re-changed settings on my end as well, let's try if it works

Sylvia Cadena 2:A lot of echo coming from Jonathan's line

Asha Hemrajani:Good evening

RussMundy-SSAC:I'm dialed in to the audio bridge but am not hearing anything

Asha Hemrajani:lot of echo when Terri speaks on the audio bridge

RussMundy-SSAC:dialed back in am now on

Sylvia Cadena 2:A lot of echo

Sylvia Cadena 2:Thank you Terri. Thanks Jonathan, no comments to the agenda from my side.

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree,

Erika Mann:Sam - there were two comments from Alan as well

Jonathan Robinson:That's helpful Sam. It speaks to the ongoing chain of accountability of a donation

Olga Cavalli:sorry I had to change my coputer

Asha Hemrajani:Yes I think Sam has already addressed Alan's two comments via email already, but worthwhile to discuss those again after we go through Jonathan's comments.

Erika Mann:I raise my hand

Sylvia Cadena 2:I also have raised my hand

Erika Mann:Lauren/Terry - you have to unmute me!

Terri Agnew:@Erika, I will unmute you

Terri Agnew:@Erika, I have muted you again

Erika Mann:Thanks Terri

Erika Mann:Jonathan, I like to come back

Sylvia Cadena 2:I realy agree with that. Very important to address it as you so clearly point it out.

Asha Hemrajani:Agree Jonathan, that is something we should pick up on again

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree with Alan.

Olga Cavalli:+ 1 to Alan

Erika Mann:I think we need a reference in the Charter that the allocation of the funds must be appropriate to the mission/core values and must the respect the tax-exempt status ...

Asha Hemrajani:Sylvia, I cannot make out what you are saying - your voice is very muffled

Alan Greenberg:If I understood Russ's comment correctly, I have the same concern. If we must narrowly adhere to ICANN 's mission, I am not sure how we differentiate from our regular work and what this money will be used for.

Alan Greenberg:That is why I asked about the AG reference to "doing good things with regard to the Internet" where I thought we had our largest leverage.

Alan Greenberg:leverage

RussMundy-SSAC:yes, Alan, that is my concern

RussMundy-SSAC:although it may not be feasible, the informal guidance I have from ssac members is that doing things for the "good of the Internet" is a highly desirable result

Erika Mann:Jonathan, I have a direct point to make

Lyman Chapin (SSAC):@Russ +1

RussMundy-SSAC:but may not fully fit ICANN mission

Jonathan Robinson:@Russ. "Consistent with" may be the helpful phrase here

RussMundy-SSAC:Thanks Jonathan & Sam, this is very helpful

Alan Greenberg:@Jonathan. YES, that would be very good. Consistent with is FAR better than furthering the mission.

Alan Greenberg:My poster child for something that we should be able to do is fund Internet Exchange Points. There is great value to the internet in developing regions, and is certainly not counter to our mission, but it is IN our mission.

Olga Cavalli:good point Alan

Asha Hemrajani:I am having difficulty understanding Sylvia, could someone summarize what she is saying?

Alan Greenberg:Saying that the requirement to explain how a project meets our mission is a responsibility of the applicant to document in application.

Alan Greenberg:Not to be specified in detail by us or ccwg

Erika Mann:Agree Alan

Asha Hemrajani:Thanks Alan for transcribing Sylvia's point - yes agree with that.

Sylvia Cadena 2:Thanks Alan :)

Sylvia Cadena 2:My only comment there, will be to expand that to involvement on political activities and lobbying not only on the US space, but also globally.

Asha Hemrajani:No worries Sam! totally understand!

Erika Mann:Sylvia is right

Asha Hemrajani:Yes agree Sylvia

Sylvia Cadena 2:Yes, fully agree with spending more time and do a deep review to provide clear guidelines for the conflict of interests. Agree with Asha. The more that can be done on that front the better

Alan Greenberg:Are we talking about the individuals on the CCWG, or those making the funding decisions?

Samantha Eisner:Apologies again for the background noise here. 1300 UTC calls are normally quiet times in my house!

Erika Mann:Asha, state their conflict of interest but not their interest ... tiny difference but relevant

Asha Hemrajani:@Alan, I would think both

Erika Mann:Alan - only those involved in the distribution of the fund

Sylvia Cadena 2:I think on both Alan.

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree with Asha. Declare your interest, not only the conflict of interest

Sylvia Cadena 2:I believe that will be to decide on the process.

Sylvia Cadena 2:100% agree with Alan.

Erika Mann:Agree with Alan

Sylvia Cadena 2:The CCWG should not be the ones to make decisions.

RussMundy-SSAC:I fully agree with what Alan is saying

Sylvia Cadena 2:Thanks Alan. Agree.

Olga Cavalli:+1 to Alan

Sylvia Cadena 2:I understand, but due to the amount of the money at play, it is very important to be very stringent and point any potential risks

Erika Mann:The Echo is on my end

Sylvia Cadena 2:Yes, that is my opinion Erika. We should include on the charter that the CCWG should focus on the process.

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree with Asha.

Asha Hemrajani:+1 Alan

Jonathan Robinson:@Alan. Agreed, this is an overarching document. that will flow through all phases of the project.

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree.

Asha Hemrajani:yes agreed! We have yet to make this fundamental decision

Asha Hemrajani:ok Alan, need your transcribing again

Asha Hemrajani:Sylvia sounds super muffled to me for some reason :-(

Sylvia Cadena 2:Sorry, will type it here

Asha Hemrajani:Thanks Sylvia

Sylvia Cadena 2:CCWG to focus on process, outcome to be the recommendation about what mechanism to choose to actually allocate the funds. Each mechanism has different rules (example foundation vs endowment) so that will be very messy for the CCWG as they will be playing by all sorts of rules

Asha Hemrajani:yes indeed Jonathan, this is an overarching point

Sylvia Cadena 2:Thanks for extending it, really appreciate to be able to go through in enough detail to make progress

Sylvia Cadena 2:100% agree with that. Rules should be drafted to allow for different types of organization to benefit /access funds

Jonathan Robinson:Thinking of process / structure / mechanics as outputs from the CWG?

Asha Hemrajani:@Jonathan, I am not so sure we should rule out some level of disbursement at this stage...it could be very high level of disbursement? eg splitting the funds into eg 3 big buckets?

Sylvia Cadena 2:I don't think we should discuss disbursements

Sylvia Cadena 2:That should be for the CCWG to determine in my opinion.

Sylvia Cadena 2:No need to apologize for that :)

Sylvia Cadena 2:I already explained on my comment before, that it is the responsibility of the applicant to explain how their proposal fits or not with ICANN's mission. I think that by changing the order, you also change priorities. I do not agree

Sylvia Cadena 2:It is important to have the ICANN's mission first, so that it is clear that gives scope for the funding to be allocated.

Samantha Eisner:ICANN would also have an obligation to review if the mission is furthered, as actions outside of ICANN's mission could subject ICANN to an IRP

Erika Mann:Jonathan I like to say something

Samantha Eisner:The applicant's explanation of how the mission is met would be a very important item in consideration, and I do agree that it should be a responsibility of the applicant to explain how the proposal fits the mission

Asha Hemrajani:@sylvia re discussing disbursements, I did not mean the DT should discuss disbursements

RussMundy-SSAC:I support Asha's suggestion

Samantha Eisner:I'd be happy to help support efforts at extraction

Asha Hemrajani:I meant that we cannot at this stage rule out that the CCWG does not do disbursements

Sylvia Cadena 2:Me too, happy to help with those efforts, if there is some support from someone else

Asha Hemrajani:+1 Erika

Sylvia Cadena 2:I say we should rule out that they approve disbursements

Lyman Chapin (SSAC):@Asha I would be very worried about convening a CCWG that would directly make disbursements, rather than design the process(es) by which disbursements will be made.

Erika Mann:Jonathan- yes, even better

Asha Hemrajani:Yes Jonathan, makes sense

RussMundy-SSAC:+1 Lyman

Sylvia Cadena 2:Will do that Jonathan. On the google doc? as comments on the word file?

Erika Mann:Jonathan, one more point, we need to agree on guiding principles Russ and I identified from the comments we reviewed

Asha Hemrajani:@lyman, I agree that the CCWG has to design the processes & structure. I was referring to a high level of disbursements eg could there be a situation where the CCWG decides to split the funds into foundation #1, foundation #2 and foundation #3 (example only). This is what I would call a high level of disbursement

Sylvia Cadena 2:I have my hand raised

Erika Mann:Agree with Alan

Sylvia Cadena 2:Those will be recommendations, not disbursements. It will depend on what mechanisms are decided

Asha Hemrajani:Alan is spot on - we need to get the fundamental decisions out of the way first

Sylvia Cadena 2:Consistent or in line should be there. Not directly as stand there.

Erika Mann:We will do this

Erika Mann:Sylvia!!!

Alan Greenberg:If we are tied to directly support, that is a game changer in my mind

Asha Hemrajani:i got disconnected

Lyman Chapin (SSAC):@Asha What concerns me is the way in which the selection of members for the CCWG might be affected by the opportunity for the CCWG itself to direct the allocation of funds - even at a high level.

Asha Hemrajani:could I have a call out

Asha Hemrajani:please to +6566852483

RussMundy-SSAC:Perhaps it might be better to use the term "dispursement" for funding going to an "end party" and "allocation" for funds going into some "process", e.g., a foundation

Erika Mann:Asha - I took note about the comments Jonathan made when you were disconnected

Asha Hemrajani:Thanks Erika

Erika Mann:+ Russ

Asha Hemrajani:good point Russ

Sylvia Cadena 2:ok

Lyman Chapin (SSAC):@Russ That might work

Asha Hemrajani:ok back in again

Jonathan Robinson:@Russ. Thank-you. Helpful distinction to make between allocation / apportionment and disbursement

Asha Hemrajani:I see your point Lyman

Asha Hemrajani:yes apportionment is a good way to describe it Jonathan

Asha Hemrajani:the guiding principles will have to come out from Sam's split into the categories

RussMundy-SSAC:Yes, I'm fine with this

Erika Mann:Russ, are you fine with this?

Asha Hemrajani:split of her document I mean

Sylvia Cadena 2:Agree with Jonathan, and apologies for being silence on email, but commit to sent comments by email on the document that Jonathan's shared

Erika Mann:Jonathan can you repeat your quesiton

Sylvia Cadena 2:Not me. Not to allocate.

Sylvia Cadena 2:It was an old hand, sorry.

Olga Cavalli:not me

Sylvia Cadena 2:No, the CWG should not be responsible for allocating funds

Erika Mann:Not me

Sylvia Cadena 2:That is not an allocation. That will be apportionment

Asha Hemrajani:No, I had not thought the CCWG would do the detailed level of disbursements, but I did envision that the CCWG could do some high level allocations

Erika Mann:Jonathan +1

RussMundy-SSAC:Jonathan +1

Sylvia Cadena 2:+1

Asha Hemrajani:very useful discussion indeed

Samantha Eisner:+1

Sylvia Cadena 2:Very useful, thank you all

Olga Cavalli:bye thanks!

RussMundy-SSAC:very good call

Sylvia Cadena 2:Bye thanks

RussMundy-SSAC:bye

Asha Hemrajani:Bye

Erika Mann:Thanks!