
TERRI AGNEW: This is Terri. We'll go ahead and begin. One moment please.

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening. Welcome to the APRALO APAC Hub Webinar on IANA Stewardship Transition and Enhancing ICANN Accountability Update on Tuesday the 24th of November, 2015 at 5 UTC.

We will not be giving a roll call as it is a webinar. But if I could please remind everyone on the phone bridge, as well as computers, to mute your speakers and microphones, as well as state your name before speaking for transcription purposes.

Thank you for joining. I'll now turn it over to our moderator, Silvia Vivanco, At-Large regional manager. Please begin.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you very much Terri. Welcome everyone. This is our fifth webinar being developed jointly with the APRALO and ICANN's ICANN hub and At-Large staff. And this is part of the implementation of the APRALO ICANN AP Hub silo stream work for [inaudible] area two, [inaudible] for capacity and accountability building.

The purpose of this webinar is to provide you with an update of the IANA stewardship transition and enhancing ICANN accountability discussions [inaudible] for Dublin meeting, including the current status and how you can still participate. If you missed the ICANN 54 meeting in Dublin, this webinar is for you.

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Our speakers today are Cheryl Langdon-Orr. She APRALO founding member and ALS representative for Internet Society for Australia. She's the ALAC member for the Asia-Pacific region, and [inaudible] for the cross community working group CCWG on ICANN accountability, and the ALAC member for the Asia-Pacific region, and [inaudible] for the cross community working group CWG on IANA stewardship.

And as you may know, in this year, Cheryl was rewarded second ICANN multistakeholder [inaudible] award. We have Jia-Rong Low, he's the global stakeholder engagement senior director for Asia at the ICANN Asia-Pacific hub in Singapore. His role is to develop and continue to implement and involve the APAC's engagement strategy in partnership with [inaudible] stakeholders in the region, expanding ICANN's presence and deepening it's engagement in the region.

We thank our speakers for their participation in this webinar today. And over to you Ariel for housekeeping rules.

ARIEL LIANG:

Thank you very much Silvia. This is Ariel Liang, policy analyst supporting the ALAC and At-Large community. Just going to show you quickly that we were going to use two pods in the Adobe Connect room to keep this webinar interactive. The first one is called the [tip?] pod, which is the one that is right below the attendee list, and right next to the agenda list on the, in the bottom section of the AC room.

In that part you can type in any questions you want to address the speakers, and staff will notify the speaker about the questions, and at

the appropriate time they will answer the question, but if we run out of time to answer the questions, we will let the speakers answer them in writing and then post them on the Wiki room.

So you can feel free to type in the pod, in the middle bottom corner just to try out this functionality. And then the second pod we're going to use is called [pool] pod, and we're are going to use that for pop quiz, which will be one pop quiz after each speaker's session, and to make this webinar interactive and just to test your knowledge, whether you pay attention or not during this webinar.

So this is the functionality we are going to use throughout the webinar. And then, at the very end, after the speaker has finished their presentations, and a Q&A session, we will have a three minute evaluation session for four question, just to understand, feedback for this webinar. And then with that feedback, we'll be able to improve that webinar for the future.

So Terri, do you want to post the first pop quiz question as a way for everyone to practice using this function? And if you want to start?

TERRI AGNEW:

Thank you very much Ariel. This is Terri from staff. As you can see, the pop quiz questions will now appear in the bottom right hand corner of your screen. And you can just select the button for the voting. Our first question is, what was your engagement with the Dublin meeting ICANN 54?

I know nothing about it. I attended some remote activity or sessions. I attended many sessions remotely. I was in Dublin and engaged with the meetings of IG, CWG, and CCWG. Or I attended Dublin and did not engage with the meetings of IG, CWG, or CCWG.

Please cast your vote now. Again, it appears in the bottom right hand corner.

And while folks are filling that out, I'll go ahead and broadcast the results, just so everyone can see. As a percentage of who was engaged during that Dublin meeting during ICANN 54. I'll go ahead and turn this over to our first speaker, Jia-Rong Low. Please begin.

JIA-RONG LOW:

Hi. Good morning, good evening and good afternoon everyone. My name is Jia-Rong. I'm the director of Asia Pacific stakeholder engagement. [Inaudible] on the ICANN Asia Pacific hub here in Singapore. Very, very happy to be given this opportunity to do an update. And from the first poll we can see, quite a number did not attend, were not at Dublin.

And I think this update will be very [helpful] to everyone in this regard. Let me just shift the slides quickly.

And we can begin. Okay. So to start off with, this is where the start of the conversation with regards to the IANA stewardship transition began. So in March 2014, the US government announced its intention to

transition historical supervision of the IANA function to the global multistakeholder community.

And since then, the ICANN and wider global Internet community have spent a considerable amount of time in discussion to develop possible mechanisms to replace the US government's role, and to ensure that ICANN has the right accountability and governance systems in place to allow the global multistakeholder community to effectively exercise its rights in the future.

I would also like to highlight our Asia Pacific participation, which I have circled here in the slides. And while in the process that Asia is [inaudible] when it comes to multistakeholder Internet governance. But you see the number here, we have really stepped up in this regard and I'm very, very pleased to be able to share this with you.

And for those that have missed Dublin, the two topics, the IANA stewardship transition, as well as the enhancing ICANN accountability topics, were the center of the Dublin week. The IANA stewardship transition coordinating group, also well known as ICG, as well as the cross community working group on enhancing ICANN accountability, also known as CCWG accountability, hosted almost 70 hours of meetings working and engagement sessions, including [inaudible] on behalf of their group, to numerous stakeholder groups and advisory committees throughout the week.

The result is for both groups reached [inaudible] and we are now entering the final stretch of these discussions.

For the ICG, whether through the public comments period on July to September and the meeting in Dublin, the ICG has finalized their IANA stewardship transition proposal, with the exception of one outstanding item. The names portion of the proposal is conditioned on ICANN level accountability mechanisms.

There are three other developments in the ICANN accountability, the CCWG accountability track. With all this, sending this proposal to the NTIA via the ICANN Board, the ICG was [inaudible] confirmation from the CWG stewardship that is accountability requirements have been met.

And the full announcement and final report of the ICG can be found on the link here, that's on the slide. And currently the ICG is also in discussion on potential implementation risk if there is any.

This next slide gives a quick overview of the ICG combined proposal. I shall not go into the details, but for those interested please, this is a link in a previous life, and you can access all of the information then.

Now, the next portion of the update, of course, is on the CWG accountability track. So, further to receiving public comments through September, the CWG accountability has also reach significant progress in Dublin. As well as post-Dublin. Last week on 15 November, a 36 page [inaudible] of the access and review. We encourage you to use the link in the slide to read the former update in preparation for the full draft proposal, which will be shared for public comment on 30 November, with a 21 day public comment period that will end on 21 December.

Though I don't have time to share all of the details, but I will take some time here to highlight some of the key items in the former update. Now, as [inaudible] set back first on the background for CWG accountability, there are two work streams.

Work stream one highlights mechanisms to enhance ICANN accountability that must be in place or committed to within the timeframe of the IANA stewardship transition. Work stream two focuses on addressing accountability topic for which a timeline for development solutions and full implementation may extend on the transition.

So the upcoming third draft proposal focuses mainly on work stream one, with some references to work stream two in it. Now, very briefly, here are some highlights regarding the former update published. I will just summarize some key elements. First is a revised mission statement for the ICANN bylaws, clarifying ICANN's mission statement, while not changing ICANN's historic mission.

The second key element is an enhanced independent review process, and [inaudible] with a better scope and the power to ensure ICANN's stays within its mission. The first point is new specific powers for the ICANN community that can be enforced when the usual methods of dialogue have not effectively built consensus.

So this is powers on the slide, on the right side, [inaudible] consensus of engagement and escalation. Now the three highlights, just now, outlined that, just outlined earlier. I could put it through the two points

after the orange line. Now these are additions to the ICANN bylaw to create and empower community, which is [currently] the status of the designator, a real [inaudible] involved, enhance the standing to enforce the community powers if needed.

As well as core limits of ICANN's governing documents, such as the articles and bylaws, being categorized as fundamental bylaws. The third area of other proposed changes include areas that are highlighted here on this slide, so basically as a condition of ICANN's [effect] of [human rights?], incorporation of ICANN's commitment under the 2009 affirmation of commitment, and as well as include accountability and diversity for ICANN's supporting organizations and advisory committee.

There is also a commitment to discussion additional accountability improvements and broader accountability enhancement in 2016. Following implementation of this [inaudible] accountability [improvement].

Now again, community input is extremely important, and we need the involvement to make sure all the bases are covered, so I really encourage everyone to have a look at the following updates in preparation for the full GAC proposal that will be published on 30 November.

Now the next steps and timeline. Pending no further changes or concerns raised during the public comment period, the CCWG accountability aims to submit a proposal of the ICANN Board by mid-January. So in this regard, we can also expect the ICG to follow this

timeline, as mentioned early, in the earlier slide that there is a link with the CWG on the naming portion, that ties in very [inaudible] to the accountability portion.

So once both proposals are committed to the ICANN Board and transmitted to NTIA, that will mark the end of phase one. So we are kind of like at the last stretch of this one right now. And that's when phase two will begin. And the rest of the timeframe, we are expecting to see the complete transition sometime in September 2016, and that is also the time when the contracts between IANA and the NTIA for end of the time.

So this timeframe is [inaudible]. And that's all I have for this update. And we will have further details that Cheryl will be able to cover, but before that let's go into the pop quiz.

TERRI AGNEW:

Thank you very much. One moment while I bring up your pop quiz.

Once again, the pop quiz now appears in the bottom right hand corner. The ICG has finalized its work and has no more works to do. Is this a true or a false statement? Please cast your vote now.

Once again, the ICG has finalized its work and has no more work to do. Please cast your vote now.

And Jia-Rong, if you could please share the results.

JIA-RONG LOW:

Thank you so much. Well, this is kind of like a trick question I put in, regarding the ICG. Because the first thing is, is indeed it has finalized its work, but we are still waiting for the CCWG track to complete, before the ICG can submit its proposal to the ICANN Board. The second portion is also that ICG will remain [inaudible] as the body until 30th of September 2016.

In the meantime, they will maintain the ICG mailing list to ensure communities can still get in touch, and schedule calls and meetings as needed. And as I mentioned earlier in my presentation, there is also discussing whether there is a need for implementation related to work. So in this regard, the ICG, while it has finalized its work regarding the proposal, it still has work to do, so the answer is false.

Thank you very much everyone for being so attentive in listening to me. And I shall now hand over the next segment to Cheryl. Cheryl, please.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thank you Jia-Rong. Cheryl Langdon-Orr here for the transcript record. And I'm very pleased that you've broken the ice on this somewhat exhaustive, I would have thought, rather than just like a time consuming conversation that many of us have been deeply engaged with, for coming up to a year now.

And regarding some of what Jia-Rong has said to you all, we both look forward to answering any of your questions after our presentation today. But of course, at least, with the matter of accountability and improving accountability for ICANN as an institution, but also for the

work of the CWG on stewardship, there is still a little work to do. We did have, as updated in Dublin, a number of pieces...

I'm just going backwards in my slides, which seems to have to go to the end rather than the beginning. That a number of these points that we on the CWG have been, in inverted commas, put to bed. And of course, the report has been put forward to the ICG. But there are still a couple of matters including, most importantly, the discussion now on the intellectual property aspects of the names and domain names to do with the management of those, that work is still ongoing, but in the, within the CWG.

And also, that there is currently bylaw language, bylaw changes advertised as a result of the work the CWG on stewardship, and that language has been prepared on behalf of the CWG by external legal counsel. And that language has only relatively recently, and only just before Dublin, come to the community's hand, but of course it also then has to run the rigors of going through the normal bylaw change proposal process that ICANN undertakes.

So of course, the opportunity for public comment and input at all on that language as well. Onto the CCWG, and yes I have been silly enough to serve on and be a repertoire for both of those cross community working groups. But the CCWG on accountability, certainly has, as Jia-Rong did mention to you, got to the point where we are entering, was about to enter the second phase on the timeline.

But the CCWG on accountability's work will, with what he outlined as our work stream two activities, matters which are not necessarily critical or required for the transition of stewardship away from the NTIA and the US government, for matters that are not pretty cool to that activity.

They've gone into what we called our work stream two planning. And that is yet to begin. So for the CCWG, on accountability, as we come towards the end of our fairly hefty workload, just for the work stream one, those things that are important and essential for the stewardship aspects to be done in a timely and efficient manner. That we still will have ongoing work and commitment in the CCWG for our work stream two.

So ladies and gentlemen, there is plenty of time for you all to get involved in the wonderful world of improving institutional accountability for ICANN. However, after that short advertisement and hopefully a moment for you to switch gears, to get to my croaky voice. I'd like to just bring you up to speed with a little bit of detail on the specifics of what the CCWG on accountability is, both immediately during Dublin, after Dublin, some of our outcomes Jia-Rong has indeed mentioned to you, but nothing like a little bit of review, and look towards our new full proposal document that will be coming out, as mentioned, on the 30th of November.

So as we move to the next slide, Jia mentioned how many hours was spent with the various meetings, but specifically in Dublin, the CCWG held meetings from October 16th, which was several days before, this

was the Friday before the opening of the Dublin ICANN meeting, all the way through the 22nd of October.

And these slides, will I believe, be available for you to download and look at, at your own leisure. And each of these is a URL link to the material. Presentations, the recordings, the translations all sorts of useful things for each of the meetings held during Dublin, for the CCWG. We had a whole, 8:30 in the morning until 6:30 of the evening meeting, which is our meeting number 60, of the CCWG in Dublin.

That was a very productive meeting. And like all of our meetings, of course, was open to more than members, and indeed, more than members and participants. And just on that, the CCWG, like the CWG, has a group of people who have been allocated to the role of what's called member.

Those members, like myself, they're serving in the capacity of acting in the best interests of and representing particular constituency, or part of ICANN. I hold the reign for our region. So to some saying, our RALO, for those of you who are used to ALAC and At-Large. It was in fact for geographic region that we did our appointment.

But we also have a vastly larger number, at least three if not four times, the number of people who attend our calls, and who are absolutely equally treated, and absolutely essential, and in many cases, taking leadership and pen holding roles. Many of the people engaged in both of these working groups are in fact labeled participants.



And as such, they're not formally allocated members, as such, but they're contributions in absolutely essential to our work. And it takes our numbers from somewhere between 30 and 45, 50 to well over around the 200 mark, and a little over 200 in the, in both of our working groups. So participants are absolutely essential.

We had our face to face number 60 meeting in Dublin, and like all of our meetings, including each of our teleconference meetings and our sub-team and work team meetings, our meetings are open and fully transparent, we trust, and accountable, but we enjoy having our meetings during ICANN meetings because it allows for so many more parts of ICANN community to join us.

We particularly note that, for example, we did an increase in the people who are representing roles and interests of the contracted parties within ICANN, with the business constituencies and business interests in ICANN, and indeed with governments who are, or may not necessarily be, but are often parts of the government advisory committee, what we call our GAC within ICANN.

And where they're unable to attend the [inaudible] meetings and activities we undertake, they are able to join us in our open meetings in the face to face situations. And their contribution is absolutely essential as well. It's possibly the most exciting thing that happened in terms of moving forward and breakthrough methodology and mechanisms, was what happened in our all day meeting, which happened on the Saturday, that was the 17th of October, and that was the second one, called the sub-team breakout sessions.

This was pivotal to the outcomes of the cross community working group on accountability's work in Dublin. At our previous face to face meeting which is being held in Los Angeles, the months earlier for a much smaller group of people in a position to travel and attend to that face to face meeting of the CCWG.

Part way through that meeting, we had found a need to move to a different method of group think, and of group discussions. And we ran a couple of breakout sessions, there was three of them and a remote one on a couple of key questions that we had found some difficulty moving forward to full consensus on, or at least a shared understanding about, and based on the success of that activity, which I would be delighted to let you know, was in fact managed and orchestrated particularly by members and participants from our region.

And I was very, very pleased with how that worked out. We then held a full day of sub-team breakout sessions on the Saturday. And this was quite literally a professionally facilitated and assisted set of breakout sessions, where we had five, sorry four, different topics being dealt with and remote participation able to interact.

We thought it was just one of those topics, but it ended up being able to have a walk around, inverted commas, and interact with a number of those topics. And it was during those topics that seemed like how the escalation of an issue, may be dealt with, during the community process that you see in our update documents that Jia-Rong mentioned to you, and that you will see in detail in our full proposal, were hammered and agreed upon.

It was also where matters of how and under what circumstance and with what criteria, replacement of ICANN Board members, or removal of ICANN Board members, could be instigated under the five key community powers that our proposal continues to refer to. And indeed, how any particular control or mechanism of detail or access on things like budget could be exercised.

So the work that happened on Saturday, the 17th of October, was critical. We stood around flip charts and we had professionals in communication capture what was being said by balanced and mixed groups of ICANN stakeholders and interested parties. There you have Board members in each group, you had community members from all advisory committees and support organizations in each group, and you had usually sometimes as low as 11, but sometimes up to 25 people, standing around and talking through and coming to consensus and agreement.

It was a joy to behold, and I could bore you all a lot longer with that, including pictures and video footage, but I shan't. Our engagement sessions and indeed, then our working sessions, as listed in meetings one, two, and three, were much more bulk standard, back into the main room. Presenters presenting and people discussing, coming to the microphone to raise questions and make points.

And I would encourage those of you who are interested, or indeed newly passionate about this topic, to take and follow those links, and they are excellent ways for you to come up to speed. So there was a few hours spent there, as you can see.

However, after Dublin we continued to work. One of the most important things that came out just at the end of Dublin, was the distributed statement from the co-chairs, which was in fact presented by one of our co-chairs from the At-Large community, from the ALAC, León Sanchez, presented a short two, two and a half page statement at the public forum at the close of the Dublin meeting in the 54.

And there are a couple of high points that were covered, that I'll just briefly cover with you now. First of all, it did mention that in the seven days in meetings, as I just alluded to, we held more than 25 hours of formal meetings, but that was not all that happened. There was, in some cases, at least that many more hours, and in some cases, more than 25 hours was of additional discussions taking place in various sessions, including many that were run within the support organizations and advisory committees, and of course, there was the very important hallway and meal time conversations that were held on the topic.

It was right at the moment. And I had a great pleasure in finding some time, and I think it was probably in the government advisory committee coffee break, to have a very frank and feelers conversations with some of our support personal for the Chinese members into our government advisory committee. And it was there that some very important questions could be asked and discuss, and I think therefore contributions from Asia-Pacific being made back into the GAC room, that would have, I think, strongly influenced what we saw in the GAC communique at the end of that meeting.

There was also, and I think it really was appropriately called, [inaudible] as collaboration. It was a continued and sustained effort by everyone, including our external advisors and our external legal counsel, to try to come together and work collaboratively and cooperatively on consensus.

We released a very important [inaudible], we planned to release at that stage, a very important preparatory document now, and it's a Dublin update. And this is one of the things that came out, probably about a fortnight, a midpoint between the Dublin meeting and where we are now. That's that 30 page, that Jia-Rong went into particular details over, and I will just briefly cover in a minute or two.

And the link there is labeled short proposal update, 2.0, will take all of you to that complete document. Let me recommend this document to you because we had it professionally written. Now that is a breath of fresh air to all of this, because whilst many of us spend a ridiculous amount of hours talking over these topics, very few of us are professional writers who can capture the essence of meaning and write in a simple language and clearly understandable way, like the professional writers we engaged for this short proposal.

So it is unlike most of the documents you'll have read from ICANN before. It has lots of wonderful, and I think you saw a couple of diagrams that Jia-Rong used, they were very clear, they were understandable. They are professionally developed by a source external to ICANN, who have been in the trenches with us and who can take a more human view on what we mean when we start saying all of these

letters, but we also had the text professionally written by a team of wonderful writers including, I'm very proud to say, our very own Samantha Dickenson, who hails from Australia and is well-known in the Asia-Pacific region, and wider Internet governance.

So again, we're pivotal as a region in the outcomes of all of these things. I do recommend, it's the sort of thing you can with your CEO and they will understand. So have a read for it yourself, pass it along to others. You'll find it a refreshing change from other sorts of things you read out of ICANN. And you'll be just as pleased to hear that we have maintained the same professional communication writers' team to help us work on our full proposal document.

So whilst our full proposal document, a full and final proposal document, coming out on the 30th of November, will indeed be a somewhat lengthier term, we're going to try and shorten the actual document down to fit under the 60 or so pages. The appendixes may very well run into three figures. But fear not, the important bits, unless you want to get into the appendixes, you don't have to, all of the important bits are again, professionally written, and you might find that they are a much more refreshing read.

But you should wet your teeth on the short proposal of the document. And also, obviously, at the end of this week, the 26th of November, we will have held no more and no less than 10 more meetings since Dublin. Let's move on.

So at Dublin, we did a whole bunch of stuff. We reach broad agreement to move forward with sole designator as the new reference enforcement model for our draft proposal. And I do apologize. I have 12 week old puppies, and they have both decided to start rumbling with each other on my veranda, despite the closed doors between where I am and where I am.

I'm not being attacked by [inaudible], I just have two very happy pups playing with each other in the background. My apologies for that. Now, we have still got a couple of outstanding concerns, but they are relatively small, in my opinion at least, that are still being worked upon even by the meeting which follows the one that we're having right now, meeting number 69 starts immediately after our meeting closes.

So we are still working on a couple of meetings, but in the main, I think you'll find this new thing, this new construct known as the sole designator, as a new reference model which has very much come out of the Dublin work, is a superior way forward to minimize risk of capture, and standards, and maximize the opportunity for the community powers to be exercised in an acceptable and intelligent way, in the extremely rare, and I would like to think almost impossible situation, where we would have to exercise those powers in the future.

These are insurance policy like possibilities. We do not intend on spilling the ICANN Board, but should we ever never to, in some future point of time, with a [inaudible] or rogue Board, we have mechanisms by which the community can do so, and do so in a fair, transparent, accountable, and predictable way.

We've got some fairly important defining consensus based decision making model, conversations, which are yet to be completed, but are being completed even more so based on today's meetings of our work party one. We're getting very close to a consensus agreement on the decision making model, it goes along with our sole designator reference, with concerned support for the all-important enhanced IRP.

The matter for a reconsideration request on an action at the moment, is limited to very much a process based issue, and is also somewhat limited by who has standing, who is materially harmed, by such a decision of ICANN to bring an IRP request forward. Your accountability CCWG has, since the beginning, widened the ability for meeting more, including all in the ICANN community via an AC or a SO, to bring forward an IRP, to be supported in the case of communities without the necessary funding to normally bring these legal review requirements forward, to ensure that we have expert panels who know what we are doing and what the domain name system is all about with balanced and diverse global experience, ready to roll on any IRP which will happen.

And most importantly, to also run the test which is what happened in an outcome or a decision of ICANN within or not ICANN mission and objectives. And that is a very important new additional test as a result of our accountability work. We've also looked at how we can be better able to put a very strong marker of objection into a process where the community has a considerable problem in some future of our one year operating plan and budget development.

And I want to credit the ICANN financial staff and our financial controller, Xavier, who has worked hand in glove with us on that, and they have been nothing but cooperative, helping us come to ways where community power to ensure that not line by line veto, but a serious concern by community can be flagged, so that the ICANN Board is required to look at a significant community concern that was to come out of some future operating plan or budget deliberation.

We've also said, basically [inaudible] agreed with decision models for methods of removal of directors appointed by the various communities and support organizations, that includes a complete Board spill, and that has safety nets in it, including things like when one petitions, for example, for the removal of a Board director or indeed, [inaudible] of a Board particularly.

The ACs and the SOs have to have ready alternates to put forward for the interim Board, so we've minimized any unintentional consequences. We're also talking about this interim Board and indeed, the Board that would be under question at some future point of time, operating under very much under caretaker mode, and also just so those of you with the financial controls of various businesses, you may have got nervous about community power to influence the operating plan and budget.

The fallback position, should one have a successful petition, which asks for a review of a particular plan or budget, ensures now, and is made sure that it is a workable solution, that a minimal, a caretaker budget at a level equivalent to the previous year's budget for essential activities including, most importantly, the work of the IANA activities.

We certainly want our names and numbers still managed in the day to day manner. And so it would continue with all those sorts of expenses, paying staff, etc. all of that continues on at an equal to plus 10% of the last year budget level. So there is no risk, unlike some governments that we could mention, that actually can get themselves into a situation where services need to be effective, the services will not be affected by such a future situation.

We've also concerned support and we are still clarifying some of the words and language, but they are fairly small and very specific points within the mission statement and commitments and core values for ICANN which are being proposed, that are indeed at the meeting following today, we will have hopefully closure on some of those outstanding items.

We've got a bunch of consensus agreed for very general human rights commitments, to be woven into the bylaws, but a lot more of that will go on in future work, beyond our work party one. We also have shifted things like the affirmation of commitment's reviews, proposed that they be moved into our bylaws, which allows them to be enshrined into the future ICANN.

And of course, they are various important and effective accountability tools, so very important that we've done that. And we've worked over our work stream two list of things. And as I said at the beginning that is work that will be continuing. And the last point on that page just talks about a lot of the things that everyone has covered into presentation.

So whilst there is still work being done on mission and core values and some of the options for the community decision making level, as well as some of the stress tests and here, in particular, it is one called stress test 18. Stress test 18 is one of the stress tests which, as a result of our stress testing, looking at what constitutes a consensus for GAC advice.

And therefore, what would trigger the particularly higher level of deference, but it is the current bylaws of how the Board treats such GAC advice. There was a proposed change in the bylaw language out of that stress test, and we are still, as of just a few hours ago, dotting the I's, crossing the T's, and looking at language that we hope maybe middle ground acceptable to all of, if not more of, the GAC, that it is now.

As well as the rest of the community. That's one of those watch this space. We will in fact be putting at the moment, two possible sets of texts forward to the CCWG at the meeting following this one. But I am relatively confident in the spirit of collaboration, corporation, and building consensus. We will get there.

With that, I just wanted to mention that with your expectations of the new document coming out, we've looked at a few particular high points which were followed out in the Dublin update in these couple of slides you'll see in short bullet proof form. The key parts of that in greater detail by Jia-Rong earlier in today's presentation, and that includes things like the sole designator model and our ability to work with the five community powers.

And with that, if you would like to contact me, there are my details. And it's back over to staff. And if staff can stop the next call calling me, I would appreciate that.

TERRI AGNEW: Certainly Cheryl, we'll take care of that. Are you also ready for your next pop quiz?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: All finished by me, just pop quizzes to go.

TERRI AGNEW: Certainly. What is your level awareness of the post-Dublin meeting output from the CWG? Again, the pop quiz now appears in the bottom right hand corner. Please cast your vote now.

I am not aware of any output from Dublin. I am aware of but not deeply of the Dublin update. I am aware of have read the Dublin update. I am fully aware and would believe myself well-informed about the Dublin update. Please cast your vote now.

And Cheryl, if you could please share the answer.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Oh, it only works if I come off mute. Thank you Terri. At this time of day, we also have the local bird population squawking so I had gone to mute. I am delighted to say the results show that almost 80% of us

believe that they are aware of, but not deeply aware of the Dublin update. A few of us believe that they are aware of and have read the Dublin update, but that's going to change after today.

I know you all are going to rush off and download it, and be well and true aware of it. And probably talking about it over your family meals by the end of the week. And I'm the one who said I was fully aware, I couldn't help myself. Terri, back to you.

TERRI AGNEW:

Thank you very much Cheryl. And our last pop quiz question, before the question and answer period, will you or your community be responding to the full proposal document scheduled for release on November 30th? Yes, no, maybe, or not sure. Please cast your vote now.

And Cheryl would you like to speak on this before we move on?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Very briefly, thank you Terri. Yes, I'm also relatively pleased to say that the, hang on, changing people, moving please. The maybe vote is sitting at almost 36%. That is hotly pursued by the yes vote, which is sitting at 26 almost 27%. A very low no vote, which is good to hear from this group. And all of you who are not sure, that's okay.

We've still got time for you to respond to in an almost a month after 30th of November, should you feel that individually or on behalf of your organization you would like to respond. And that's it. Thank you very much Terri.

TERRI AGNEW: Thank you Cheryl. We will now begin the question and answer portion of the call. Please either speak your question by raising your hand in the Adobe Connect and we'll call upon you, or down in the answer pod, please type your question.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Terri, this is Silvia. I see Gunela has raised her hand. Gunela, please go ahead.

GUNELA ASTBRINK: Thank you Silvia. This is Gunela for the record. I note that human rights was included as some of the work recommended through the CCWG, and there is a separate small working group there. And I commend that, that's very positive news.

What I wanted to ask was, there is a framework of interpretation and decisions will be made as to what type of human rights to include, if it's going to be established international human rights, or whatever. I'm thinking, for example, of the Netmundial human rights principles, but they might not be appropriate in this situation.

And I'm just wondering what thoughts there have been by that particular working group, how to move ahead with reference to particular human rights and conventions. Thank you.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Jia-Rong, do you want me to take that?

JIA-RONG LOW: Yeah, I think I would need your help for that Cheryl. Thank you.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Okay. Thanks Gunela. It's Cheryl for the record. I'm happy to respond to that, but also very happy to suggest that if you want the real gory details, I'm going to send you to the recorded materials from that sub team that worked on human rights under the leadership of both León Sanchez and Nigel Roberts, for the particulars of who tells what.

But the language that's being proposed out of that work stream is deliberately general and specifically limited in so much as it's limited to the mission and core values and activities of ICANN. We are not in any way trying to suggest that ICANN, as an organization, needs to extend its human rights responsibilities more widely than those, one would expect under good governance model within its own activity.

The specific language does refer, at the moment, to recognize international norms, and quotes obviously the most well-known of those in reference, and in fact it is that framework of interpretation, specific work that you've referred to, that will be the focus of work stream two.

Arguably, I want to point out, even now in the existing bylaws of ICANN, it does make the codicil quite clear that it respects all of the norms of international acceptance of what is human rights, but what the

accountability sub-team has done, has narrowed down and come to agreed language to go into the bylaws which strengthens that, linking us specifically to the activities and the mission and core value of ICANN.

So much of what you're asking about is yet to come, but it is a hotly contested and debated point. But one that many felt, unless we got at least some language in under work stream one as opposed to work stream two, may not have enough streams. And we've got that language in now.

Happy to talk more later, but time is against us today on that topic.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Thank you very much Cheryl for that very complete answer. And if we had another question from [inaudible] and is for Jia-Rong is, what is the main difference between the [inaudible] membership model and the sole designator model? Jia-Rong please.

JIA-RONG LOW:

Thank you. Yes, this is Jia-Rong speaking for the record. The difference is that the key things, I'll just highlight one or two points, but I will send you separately offline on email the full details, but just to highlight on the call. The key difference is basically when in terms of a sole member model comes off enforcement, for example in rejecting the budget for example.

When it's a sole member model, the powers are committed to the Board fiduciary possibility. But when there is a sole member model,

remember the powers of the Board are subjected to member's reserved powers.

Another area, for example, is in terms of changing the bylaw, there is a sole member model, it gives a sole member a given reserve power to reject the Board's [inaudible]. And this takes away the consensus making mechanism within ICANN. The sole member model is the only when there is disagreement in consensus building. That's when the community comes together.

And they would then create a [inaudible] which is from the community, to represent the community, and then trigger enforceable consultation between the stakeholder organizations and advisory committee, which can then stop all other, reject the Board, for example, in terms of the ICANN budget or in terms of changing the bylaw.

So the key difference is this, is basically in terms of a sole designator, the community comes together and [inaudible] the rights, the power of that community, which represents the whole community in that escalation and in this escalation process, to try to find a way to resolve the issues.

But when there is a sole member model, what happens is that a particular group of stakeholders could come together and just decide that oh, they do not agree with the Board approval of the budget, or do not agree with changing the bylaws, and they can reject it directly. And this event, the consensus meeting mechanism in ICANN, from being able to take this place and to run its concerns.

So that's really the key main difference.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Great. Thank you so much Jia-Rong for that answer. And I do not see any other question on the chat, and perhaps [inaudible] indeed has a question, you can raise your hand please.

Do we have no questions?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: We were very clear.

SILVIA VIVANCO: If you allow me, I have a question. And if [inaudible] asks for one minute or two. I read some of your comments regarding the removal of Directors, and there is a difference of procedures between the removing and [inaudible] afforded by the NomCom, and a different procedure for a director appointed by the ALAC or SO. What are the main differences between those two procedures?

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Okay. Very briefly, and what I will do is suggest that with the release with our full proposal on the 30th, we will be running various webinars. And I'm hopeful that APAC hub will host one of those webinars. We will make sure that we spend a little specific time on this question and any others that we might perhaps be able to gather in advance of such a webinar on our full proposal.

But primarily the main differences is a logistically driven one, and that is for two reasons. The nominating committee only exists by year to year. So a new nominating committee starts fresher every ICANN AGN, and the work of the previous nominating committee ceases at that time. And so unlike a support organization or in the case of the ALAC, the advisory committee that also appoints people to sit on the ICANN Board, there is no continuity from one year to the next.

And so it is far more difficult for something as [inaudible] as an annually fresh NomCom to go through and petition and have a support for a Board member, or even all of the Board members removal. Remember also that the nominating committee actually appoints more than half the Board.

The ACs and SOs appoint either two each, or in the case of the ALAC one, and the nominating committee appoints eight of the voting Board members. So it is, as you can imagine, it can be far more chaotic to have a NomCom to petition for any or all of its appointments, that it would be for a support organization or indeed an advisory committee, to go through the petition process and see whether they get the necessary community support for an action.

But let's spend some more time on that in our, hopeful, webinar between the 13th of November and the end of the calendar year.

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Okay, great. Thank you very much Cheryl for that very interesting differentiation between the procedures. Thank you.

So now we are going to move to the next agenda item, is the webinar evaluation. And we will ask everyone to please remain with us just for a few minutes, and Terri will take you through the questions. And this is very important for us to know how we are doing this webinar. Over to you Terri.

TERRI AGNEW:

Thank you Silvia. This is Terri again. Our first webinar evaluation question is, in your opinion, is the webinar well structured? Please cast your vote now.

Our second of four questions, overall, were you satisfied with the webinar? Please cast your vote now.

The third of the four questions, what topics would you like ICANN to cover for future webinars? Please cast your vote now.

And finally, our last question, please provide us any other comments or feedback. I'll leave it to this screen so that you can type in your answers now. Thank you very much for joining today's webinar. We appreciate your time. This webinar has now been adjourned.

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