




WHAT ARE THE REGIONAL AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONS (RALOs)?

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Members of the At-Large community at the Second At-Large Summit held in London in June 2014.

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THE AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

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



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

AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ALAC) — 15 MEMBERS



10 selected by RALOs to serve on the ALAC (2 from each RALO)



5 selected by Nom Com to serve on the ALAC (1 from each region)



SEAT #15 ON THE ICANN BOARD IS SELECTED BY THE ALAC AND THE AT-LARGE COMMUNITY

WHAT IS THE AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ALAC)?

Within our community's bottom-up, tiered structure, the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) is the primary organizational home for the voice and concerns of the individual Internet user. The 15-member ALAC consists of two members selected by each of the five RALOs and five members appointed by ICANN's Nominating Committee. Advocating for the interests of end-users, the ALAC advises on the activities of ICANN, including Internet policies developed by ICANN's Supporting Organizations; it also participates in ICANN's outreach and engagement programs. In addition, the ALAC and the At-Large Community select a Director to serve on ICANN's Board of Directors.

WHAT WE DO

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

WHAT IS ICANN?

To reach another person on the Internet you have to type an address into your computer - a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN helps coordinate these unique identifiers across the world. Without that coordination, we wouldn't have one global Internet. ICANN, formed in 1998, is a not-for-profit global organization dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable. It promotes competition and develops policy on the Internet's unique identifiers.

WHAT IS THE AT-LARGE COMMUNITY?

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