
GISELLA GRUBER: Welcome to our AFRALO monthly meeting at 18:30 UTC on this Wednesday, December 14th. On the French channel today, we have Aziz Hilali, Tijani Ben Jemaa, Aicha Abbaad, Abdeldjalil Bachar Bong, Ramanou Biauou and Sébastien Bachollet. On the English Channel we have Daniel Nanghaka, Seun Ojedeji, Sarah Kiden and Barrack Otieno. We have received no apologies for this evening and from ICANN staff we have Silvia Vivanco, Heidi Ullrich, Yaovi Atohou and myself, Gisella Gruber.

The interpreters this evening will be Claire and Camila, and I would like to remind you to please state your name when you take the floor for the interpreters to be able to state your name on the other channel and for transcript purposes. Please also speak as clearly as possible in order to be able to interpret you. Thank you very much. Here we have learned León Sanchez and Wafa Dahmani who have also joined and they'll be connected. Thank you very much. Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz, speaking. Thank you, Gisella. Good evening, everyone. I am very glad to meet you once again for our monthly meeting. As Gisella says, this is the last teleconference of the year, so I would like to wish you very happy holidays in advance. Have a wonderful end of the year. [AUDIO BREAK] And now we're going to move on to the second item in the agenda which is open policy issues. I think there's about 8? 7 or 8, 8 I think, so I'm going to start with the LGRs, with the Label Generation Rules.

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In this case, they're asking for comments and the community has already created a group, a generation panel as it is called, that's been working with Arabic and Armenian and the present proposal regarding the LGR has now been published for comment. Now the public comment period will close on December 18th. On the other hand, there's a draft PTI-FY18 operating plan budget that's for the first year a functioning of the PTI. The draft has been prepared and published for public comment. Regarding the ICANN budget for the FY18 not the PTI, I'm sorry. Thirdly, we have a proposed consensus policy that suggests we should have a consistent view of all the policies that exists. The comment period ended the day before yesterday.

Firstly, we have a proposal for the implementation of a transition policy. As you know, the GNSO has been working on its resistance policy for dot com, dot net and dot job. Thirdly, there is a report on an analysis for the root server data. This is a study commissioned by ICANN in response to a GAC request in order to assess the delegation process of the new details [inaudible] which should not have risked the security and the stability of Internet but what the GAC and the board to examine so following that recommendation and that request, the board's commissioned this assessment to determine whether or not the program had a negative impact on the security and the stability of the DNS. Then there's also a discussion regarding the assignment of domain names and so there's work under way in order to identify the technology health indicators that could help us assess the processes. They are now defining which health indicators would be of use.

Then on the other hand, there is an updated supplementary procedures document for the independent review process. This is pursuant to

what's included in the report by the CWG for the enhancement of ICANN's accountability and then lastly, there's also a comment period on the proposed ICANN community anti-harassment policy. That period will close in January and as you know, may expect community comments on the policy that's been proposed.

GISELLA GRUBER:

We're not getting any sound from Aziz. Gisella speaking. Does anyone still hear Aziz? This is Gisella speaking. [AUDIO BREAK] Gisella speaking. I thought it was just me because I see his mic still shows as if it was working on Adobe connect, but I see that he just disconnected. So we're going to try and call you over the phone bridge. [AUDIO BREAK] Gisella still speaking. Please do tell the English channel that we've lost Aziz momentarily. Let's see if Aziz can hear us now, I think he's on. Do you want us to dial out to you because we've just lost you in the middle of a sentence there? Aziz, can you hear us?

AZIZ HILALI:

Aziz speaking. Hi. I'm reconnected, I lost my connection now I'm back. Can you hear me?

GISELLA GRUBER:

We do hear you, says Gisella. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Good. Aziz speaking. Now we're going to move on to item number three regarding the reports on the recent and upcoming activity of ALAC. So who would like to volunteer to speak first? Tijani?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Wafa, can you go first? Can you hear us? I see you are connected but I don't think we're getting audio from you because I see that your mic is crossed off so I don't think Wafa can speak for now.

[AUDIO BREAK]

WAFDA DAHMANI: Wafa speaking. Hi, can you hear me now? Can you hear me?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Yes Wafa, we do hear you now. Thank you.

WAFDA DAHMANI: Okay. I'm ready now to present the recent and upcoming activities of ALAC. We were just recently in India, as you know and I have two comments to make. On the one hand that we created a new working group. Can you still hear me?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Yes, we hear you, Wafa. Now I think you're silent. But we heard you. I think Wafa might have dropped out. So Aziz, back to you.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Can you hear me now?

GISELLA GRUBER: Yes Aziz, we hear you, says Gisella.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Great. Okay, I'm terribly sorry because my connection is very, very bad today and the internet constantly disconnects me so I keep dropping out because of these issues with my connection. I'm now on the phone bridge and I hope I won't be disconnected again. I was connecting while Wafa was speaking so I couldn't hear her, but now that she's done I would like to yield to Seun or Tijani whoever wishes to go first.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Okay yeah, this is Seun Ojedeji. Can you hear me?

GISELLA GRUBER: Yes Seun, I hear you but he just gave the floor to Tijani if I'm not mistaken.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Ah, okay, okay.

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Aziz, I know we're reaching out to Tijani. I'm not sure he's connected yet so maybe we could start with Seun on the English channel.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Yes, absolutely. Okay so now you do have the floor Seun, go ahead.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Okay, yeah thank you. This is Seun Ojedjeji. Yes, Wafa has already given a quick update after the meeting in India, we haven't had any meetings since then. But one of the outcome of this that ALAC is working on is the BCEC is currently working on the selection process of the ICANN board and from At-Large. And [inaudible] also followed the process as it compares to the procedure [inaudible] of the process itself.

I think one thing that Wafa already mentioned before you lost her, her connection was perhaps in relation to the working group, the new details of the working group have been revised, and then myself and John will be co-chairing that particular working group, so I encourage members of AFRALO to also join the working group monthly call for new members as is actually put out to the list. Your participation in that working group is very important.

The working group will basically be looking at the subsequent launch of the gTLD and then we will be discussing the current policy related discussion regarding the new gTLD and most importantly, we group also for people who are in that working group. [inaudible] joined our working group who also participate in the existing relevant GNSO working group to be set up for new gTLD.

The other thing is to receive the chapter for CCWG on accountability and then that particular chapter -- I'm sorry, not the CCWG accountability, this is WG on the use of gTLD auction proceeds. ALAC has also send approval of and also indicated that we will also be appointing each chair and each member, each [inaudible] will also be appointing a representative to that particular working group. I think it's for all as follows, it's very important to participate in that working group when it comes alive so that's of course, the working group that will be discussing how the auction proceeds, which works about [inaudible], if I'm not mistaken. Plus or minus, by the way. I was going to get used so the group is being disclosed, we recommend to the board, all that money is going to be used and I think from a developing region that should be good for all the participants in need. [inaudible] in our region is properly addressed. I think that's all; in fact we are going to meet next week, during the ALAC meeting next week so maybe after the meeting we'll have some more of this. In case I miss something [inaudible] other. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI:

Aziz speaking. Thank you very much, Seun. Aziz speaking. I think Tijani isn't connected yet.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Yes, I am. Tijani speaking. I'm here.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Great. I hear you, Tijani. Then you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Thank you very much. Good evening, everyone. I don't mean to be a crybaby here but this is seriously not within my control. I'm sorry about the issues I've been having with my connection. I certainly agree with what Seun just related regarding the activities of ALAC, the recent activities. I just think maybe we should insist a bit further on the review in general. The ALAC review was actually one of the main subjects we dealt with in India with them working very actively and it is one of the main concerns of ALAC right now.

So this activity is now underway. ALAC made a number of suggestions to the board, the BCEC started working. They have submitted a candidates list, a roster, to the board and this work is going to go on. I think Seun basically covered all of the activities, he just didn't really focus on the BCEC and the ALAC review specifically. I don't know if Wafa would like to take the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you, Tijani. Is there anyone who would like to take the floor? We have two minutes for ALSs to present their recent and upcoming activities so you can each take two minutes. If anyone

connected here this evening would like to share with us their recent and upcoming activities at the local level, this is the time to do so. So let me know. I would also like to remind you that our connections are very bad this evening so I don't necessarily see your hands raised so please do let me know if anyone is raising their hands.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. There is Abdeldjalil.

ABDELDJALIL BACHAR BONG: Abdeldjalil speaking. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Says Aziz. Abdeldjalil, go ahead.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Abdeldjalil, we cannot hear you. Please take it your mike is not muted.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: So are you there, Abdeldjalil?

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. No, I meant to speak. I just wanted to check whether Abdeldjalil needs a dialogue.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay, in the meantime then, Aziz speaking, we're going to move on to item number three. Item number four, actually item three information. Item three information includes three parts, three sub items. Mohammad is not connected this evening so we're not going to cover the CSC, we're going to deal with items two to four. We have the subgroup of CCWG accountability that is a working group that deals with the enhancement of the accountability of ICANN. So I'm going to give the floor to Tijani first and then to Seun since they are members of this subgroup. So I'm going to let them tell us about the work stream 2 of the work of CCWG. Tijani, you go first.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Thank you, Aziz. Mohammad isn't here but he is a very active member of CSC. It is the customer standing committee so it is formed by customers. Customers of what? Well, customers of the PTI which is the structure that is going to assure the control, the oversight of the INEX functions to performance. So Mohammad is a member of that community and is very active, I assure you. Now, going back to work stream two of the CCWG accountability. This is the second line of work that we've undertaken and within the framework of this work stream two, there are nine sub groups. I always explain this. I've said this for the last time and these nine sub groups deal with every aspect of accountability. Everything that hasn't been solved prior to the transition. The transition was completed without solving this nine issues because we had decided that part of the work would be completed following the translation because it could wait. We dealt with what was urgent and then we postponed these nine subjects for now after the transition.

So there's jurisdiction, there's diversity, transparency, the accountability of the CSC. There's also staff accountability. So it's a long list that you see. I'm involved and I take part time in four subgroups because I didn't think it would be possible to be active and to make contributions they don't mind some groups at the same time. But all sub groups are open for you to join if you wish to participate. So I'm involved in human rights and ICANN jurisdiction with this group. We are working very slowly. These are very controversial matters and so we make slow progress because we need to work on consensus before being able to moving on.

In the case of human rights at least, we could agree on a number of terms that were then integrated into a document that became our terms of reference. So the idea is to create a framework interpretation based on that other documents in order to state how these aspects, how the human rights should be dealt with in ICANN spy laws. So like I say, we continue to work. I think we're going to be late. We're going to be the latest of all groups because it is going to take us a while.

But like I always say, the work of our group shouldn't take 20 minutes because we should seriously consider what we are accepting. We cannot force work the rest of the group to accept something they don't entirely agree with so I think it is better to work in the comprehensive manner, to work on the details and to work out any slight differences there might be so that everyone is happy with the results at the end of the process. So I think we had better take our time and consider the background before starting so that at the time when we kick off our work, everyone can agree on what we're all saying. So we are only

going to deal with human rights within the scope of the mission of the group.

As you can imagine, the ICANN jurisdiction matter is also a difficult subject. We find a way to make some progress. There are some aspects we know we can work with and some things that cannot be solved, some differences and discrepancies that cannot be ignored. So for now we've decided to deal with what is common to us all, to work on the common ground. So regardless of the jurisdiction, we're trying to decide how ICANN should deal with a number of matters regardless of the jurisdiction, like I said. That is what we're doing right now.

So we're making progress in that sense and I think we've made a lot of headway actually with the other two subgroups that I participate in because they deal with subjects that are not as controversial. That is my brief report on the subgroups I'm working with. I know other subgroups have made much more progress and I think there are others that are worse off than us but that's it. Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Gisella. Can you hear me? Aziz speaking. Can you hear me.

GISELLA GRUBER: Yes, we can. Go ahead, Aziz.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay. Thank you very much, Tijani for these important information. Okay. Thank you very much, Tijani for this important information. Now I'd like to ask you if you can send us the list of the subgroups so we can know those groups and we can know in which subgroups you need some more people to represent as follows. Now you are the only one, Seun to know this list. Okay, now we have Abdel and León Sanchez is asking for the floor. I think León wanted to speak about an activity and there is an activity organized by Isaac Chad. It will be the third event on internet, on responsible internet. Silvia has translated the message of Abdeldjalil and she sent in the chat. Now I'm going to give the floor to León Sanchez. León Sanchez, you have the floor. Okay, Seun first. Seun first and then León Sanchez. Seun, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Seun, can you hear me? You have the floor.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Hello, can you hear me? This is Seun.

AZIZ HILALI: Yes, perfectly. Go ahead, Seun.

SEUN OJEDEJI: No, I did not ask for this at all. Is that something I was supposed to talk about? Oh, maybe in relation to ICANN accountability. Yes, this is Seun for the call again. Yes, I'm also one of the participants of the ICANN accountability. I think León is also one of the co-chairs for the ICANN

accountability supposed to be on this call, so probably I have more advantage in getting from email, he may be able to give a general update that will be more details than myself.

But on the SO/AC accountability and I'm following questions on a few other subgroups like the jurisdiction, human rights, staff accountability and the diversity one as well. So I'm on the diversity, specifically on diversity one as well.

For the SO/AC, we ask the questions and then we'll start receiving some responses from the SOs and ACs to some of the questions being forwarded to receive for their responses, so we'll receive responses from, I think from the [inaudible] staff. So we're still expecting to receive all the other responses and then we'll [inaudible] part of the businesses to present the final outcome.

One of the SO/AC discussion, one of the things that came out is the issue that has to do with mutual accountability, whether there can be mutual accountability within the SOs/ACs and whether SOs can hold the other SOs accountable vis a vis. One of the things that we came to agreement on was that nobody's saying that it is impractical to actually get one of the SO/AC or get accountability, what is more practical is the transparency and the level outreach, the SO/AC mutually or one of [inaudible].

So some of our working [inaudible] that relation in that regard also applies to transparency work as well. We are looking at mutual accountability in terms of all SO/AC interact together [inaudible] and then try to discuss issues especially for [inaudible] community forum as

an example. It's just things like that. I have not necessarily set any rules to ask one SO to challenge the rules. Well they can, but they can't [inaudible] top down approach and say one particular issue is not doing fine, even though [inaudible] but it shouldn't be that ALAC [inaudible] doing the right thing. But what [inaudible] is known and then we [inaudible] on the process transparently [inaudible].

There was the meeting today which is the plenary [inaudible]. For now, generally the [inaudible] have been following ideally I think, as well. But I think the SOs/ACs are going to complete their work so maybe by late January or February, because the [inaudible] are working hard to [inaudible] things moving fast. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI:

Thank you very much, Seun. Aziz speaking. I have a problem with Adobe connect so if there is nothing new I think we are going to give the floor now to León Sanchez. León, you have the floor.

LEÓN SANCHEZ:

Thank you very much, Aziz and thank you, to AFRALO for allowing me to be at your meeting today and to speak to you. I think that Tijani and Seun have provided a very extensive and complete update on the CCWG's [inaudible] so I have very little to add. If I could say only that we are aiming to have at least two of the nine subgroups publish a first report for public comment by mid-January which hopefully will lead us into being able to deliver a final report for these two subgroups which are the human rights subgroups and the transparency subgroup by our meeting in Copenhagen and we are also looking at other groups that

might be able to deliver by that time. At this point, it is not clear as to which of the groups could do enough progress to deliver by Copenhagen.

But what I wanted to tell you to is that we do need more participation from Africa, from AFRALO who have been very well represented by Tijani and Seun and a couple more participants that have been active in the CCWG works. But I think it is very important to stress that there are two regions that have shown a low participation in terms of number not in terms of quality, of course because as I said, those who have participated have contributed with very high quality contributions and therefore, representing very well their region.

But in terms of diversity, I think it would be helpful to have more voices heard in these efforts. Therefore, I would like to encourage to follow the subgroups that you might be identified with, but especially I would recommend to follow the work of the diversity group and the SOs/ACs accountability groups. I think those two groups are crucial for the future of not only ICANN, but also the At Large community. So I will definitely encourage all members and all ALSs from AFRALO to join the subgroups and participate actively with your contributions.

Of course, I remain open for any questions or comments and I would be more than happy to help you get involved should you need any kind of help in subscribing or in needing any guidance stuff to how to participate to or to find the sources in order to get involved in the discussions. So that would be it for me, Aziz. Thank you very much again.

AZIZ HILALI:

Thank you very much. Aziz speaking. Thank you for the proposals you made. I have programs to connect with Adobe connect. I have a message saying that it was a private meeting so maybe someone can help me. Okay now we are going to move to the next item. It's about the participation of AFRALO to AfrICANN 25. As you know, AFRALO has a very strong relation with AfrICANN so we are going to try to participate every time there is an important event in Africa. The meeting which took place in Mauritius.

So now we are going to speak about the workshop, the program of our community and three persons Daniel, Tijani and myself have been participating in the AfrICANN meeting from 28 to the 30 of November this year so I want to thank the staff and [inaudible] who helped us a lot to have a stand so we could organize some outreach there and we met some new organizations which can be a future ALSs and I'm very proud to say, I'm very happy to say that since we have participated through these meetings, you can see the number of new ALSs received by AFRALO every month.

Requests from ALSs were received, we have received two or three new requests, new ALSs, each month and we also had some meetings with Barrett from AfrICANN and we have discussed with him the memorandum, the MoU. We were the first one to sign a MoU with AfrICANN so we are going to renew this MoU, we spoke about that. How we can update this MoU because we want to have a partnership with AfrICANN and we discussed also, the way for AfrICANN to contribute to our organization and to organize activities with AFRALO

during the next Africa meeting in Johannesburg. We also have made a request for the showcase for Africa that will be organized during the Johannesburg meeting and it was agreed that for the signing of amendments that will be made with AfriCANN and with the board of AfriCANN. We are going to try to have the new memorandum signed during the general assembly of AFRALO in Johannesburg. Okay, this is what we have found during this meeting, this AfriCANN meeting.

Now I'm going to ask Daniel and Tijani if they want to ask something, if I had forgotten something. Tijani, Daniel, do you want to add something? Okay, if it's not the case we are going to move to the next item that is to say the Internet Governance Forum in [CROSSTALK] and there were several AFRALO members there. So I'm going to give the floor to Tijani and Abdeldjalil who was also there. If you want to speak about your activities in the IGF in Mexico. Tijani, you have the floor.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Tijani speaking. Thank you very much, Aziz. I have been to the IGF in Guadalajara in Mexico some days ago and my participation was with the section that I had organized and presented there. So this section I organized about the protection of Internet users and the I shared another panel on Internet related with education and I have also participated to a workshop about capacity building and about the different ways to address capacity building. If the capacity building needs to be remote or face-to-face, how to do capacity building in a remote way, etcetera so it was very interesting about capacity building. This was my official participation that was on the program, on the agenda, but I have also participated in other groups as non-official

member and I have noticed that for the IGF 2016, it was more concentrated, more focused on some items.

For example, the shutdown, the Internet shutdown because some countries are shifting Internet at some moment and this concerns the loss of some other countries. So for them it's a big problem and shutdown for them is a big problem and now I understand why because the countries who do that say they do it because of a security problem. I understand that because my local, my country, Tunisia, my country, I'm sorry, has these kind of problems. Because here terrorists are using internet for their actions and if the government has information that these people are going to use the web at the moment of—if they do a shutdown to stop them, I think it's okay. But some countries do that in a global way and it gets the information flip so it is a problem. So this item has been addressed in several groups and the other items were normal items.

I can tell you that Guadalajara is a very nice city and the ICANN was very present there with a big space. The communities were very nice and I was very happy to go there. I was very tired, I was ill, but I think it was a very good idea. One of the best in my point of view. I'm finished. Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Aziz, you have the floor.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Okay. I was saying that every time Tijani says Guadalajara is a nice city, it makes me smile because he only knows the meetings, rooms and hotels so how can you say that the city is nice? But it was just a joke. Tijani wants to answer. Okay.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. If I say that the city nice it is because every day, I had to cross all the cities to go to the convention center so I have seen the city this time.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay, Aziz speaking. Okay, Tijani has visited the city twice a day so it's perfect. Okay now we are going to move to the next item. Someone is asking for the floor. I think it's—I'm sorry because I have no connection. I have a shutdown. Okay. So first Daniel then Wafa then Abdeldjalil. Wafa is first or Daniel first. Okay Daniel, you have the floor.

DANIEL NANGHAKA: Daniel here for the record. I'm sorry to take you back to about [inaudible] in Mauritius. One of the things that's happened in Mauritius was that we were able to participate in their policy reviews whereby at least one of the policies was passed, and then the other two were [inaudible] to the community for more debates. And also, we were part of just one of the ALSs that probably Aziz will talk about, which [inaudible] the result of the outrage in Mauritius. And also, briefly discussions are going to be ongoing about AfriCANN supporting the

activities of the general assembly that will be happening in Johannesburg. Yeah, [inaudible]. Thank you, back to you Aziz.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Okay, okay. Thank you, Daniel, thank you very much. Now we are going to give the floor to Wafa. Wafa, you have only one minute.

WAFDA DAHMANI: Okay, I'm going to be very quick. I have also participated to the Guadalajara meeting as a remote participant. I have participated to the panel enhancing [inaudible] and diversity space. I've spoken to and participated in this panel to the challenges for the promotion of the IDN in our region and I've also participated on the challenge on their workshop through the Internet governance in the region and the challenges and the perspectives about our countries, Tunisia and African Middle East and I've also participated to AfrICANN and I've been one of the speaker about IPv4, IPv6. I have been elected governor community member during this meeting.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you very much, Wafa. Thank you for your brief remarks. Now we don't have much side so I'm going to ask everybody if you can stay fifteen minutes more. We are going to speak now about the item number five, items for discussion. We are going to speak about the AFRALO assembly at Johannesburg from the 26 to 29 of June, 2017. I recall you that we have organization committee working group

that has been created with Daniel, Tijani, [inaudible], Sarah, Aziz, Isaac, Barrack, Seun, Ramanou, Wafa and we are open to other members who want to join us.

We have also organized a meeting in Hyderabad with Heidi and his team to speak about the organization of this general assembly with a meeting in January, February, we are going to send invitations and we have decided that there will be a representative for each ALS, but if this person can't travel or doesn't answer our calls, we will give this possibility to travel to another ALS. This must be clear. We want ICANN and ICANN staff is going to help us to have some promotional materials: brochures, cards, stickers, etcetera on which the ALSs representatives will say: I'm from AFRALO and you can speak with me in their local language, for example.

We are also going to try to have something like what we have down in Marrakesh, we want to do some outreach about the Johannesburg university. It's going to be difficult. Everybody is telling me that it will be difficult, but I have had a discussion with the CEO of [inaudible] who is going to help us. We have contacted the teacher of the Johannesburg University so we are waiting for him for his answer and we are going to try to do what we have done in Marrakesh that is to say, meet experts from ALAC and other constituencies so they can go to the Johannesburg University and meet some students and do some outreach in the university and speak about ICANN and its role and how ICANN and its policies are developed through our organization. Okay, I don't have any other Adobe connect so is there someone asking for the floor?

I also wanted to tell you that the people who are in this working group or organization committee are making some proposals. I want to centralize all the proposals that we will receive from this organization committee or from other members to organize something for the showcase, for the university, for the general assembly. Please, if you have some proposals send them to these working groups or I'm going to ask Sarah to do a mailing list to group the person of this organization community so we can know. From the beginning of the year, we can begin working on this organization.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Aziz, I would like to suggest that Sarah be the reporter for that action, for that initiative.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. I think Sarah should agree first. Sarah, do you think what Tijani suggests is a good idea? Do you agree with him?

SARAH KIDEN: Hello, this is Sarah for the record. Yes, I agree. Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Sorry, Sarah could you please repeat. Someone just spoke at the same time as you were speaking on the French channel.

SARAH KIDEN: Hello, this is Sarah. Yes, I agree. Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Sarah says thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Tijani, now you go ahead.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Right because if you wish to get good results from that working group, we should have someone providing us with constant reports so that we can have constant work and I think the best person to do that would be Sarah. That's why I suggested that.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Perfect. Okay, great. So in the minutes of the meeting, we're going to take note of this. Sarah is now the reporter for the committee to organize not the general assembly, but we're going to say the activities of AFRALO at Johannesburg. So Sarah is going to be the reporter.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. Exactly.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. I have no connections live now so I have no idea of anything that's going on on Adobe connect. This is just to let you know

so I don't know if anyone wishes to intervene. I'm going to have to follow—

[CROSSTALK]

AZIZ HILALI: I think we should start considering from now and this is a message for Tijani and Seun. We're tired of always discussing [00:58:26 – inaudible] transition. I know people are tired of us always repeating the subject so could you please come up with a new subject matter for our meetings in Johannesburg?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking, Yes, of course we should consider that.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Okay, so let's put our minds together so that by the next AFRALO meeting, for the conference, everyone can have for propositions so that we can hear from what everyone would be interested in dealing with in Johannesburg and we should maybe have discussions on this, on the AFRALO or the AfrICANN list for all the African communities to be able to participate. Now I'm going to give the floor to Sarah for the next item which is the new applications for ALSs. I know we have forced this issue so Sarah can you please let us know.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Hello.

AZIZ HILALI: Okay, Seun, go ahead.

SEUN OJEDEJI: Okay, thank you. This is Seun for the record. Yeah, just on the AFRALO page, I think I would say that yes, personally we all are truly tired of [the IANA transition. I wish that it'd just go away like yesterday. But it's still right here with us, no longer IANA transition but ICANN accountability instead. But do we want to -- because we're talking about Johannesburg now, what of the Copenhagen which [inaudible]. I think we should put a call now as an action item to the very least asking for suggestions on what we can talk about at Copenhagen. Because I think [inaudible] would start discussing that [inaudible] comment on the Middle East before we actually get to the 55th meeting. I'll be glad if we can think of something else to talk about other than ICANN accountability, but [inaudible]. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Thank you, Seun. I'd just like to echo what you're saying it is exactly what I was trying to say. I was speaking of the general assembly and then when I said AFRALO African, I meant the Copenhagen meeting. So I think we should suggest a subject for the Copenhagen meeting, actually not for Johannesburg. I think there might have been a slight mistake in the interpretation. So we should

ask our members to make contributions on the AFRALO or AfrICANN list, but we should ask everyone to suggest subjects for this joint meeting in Copenhagen not in Johannesburg that is what I would say. Thank you. I agree with you.

Now I was saying we received four applications for new AFRALO ALSs. May I remind you that applications [inaudible] via the Wiki page and then there's this due diligence that is to be followed in order to assess applications and following that AFRALO has to give a positive or a negative advice to ALAC on whether or not those applications should proceed and those organizations should become ALSs.

At this point, I'm going to give the floor to Sarah for her to relate to as what's been going on. Sarah, we cannot hear you. If you're speaking, please make sure you're not muted.

SARAH KIDEN: Hello, this is Sarah. Can you hear me?

AZIZ HILALI: Great. I hear you now. Yes, go ahead.

SARAH KIDEN: Okay, so we received four applications since we have been recording. We received one from the Libyan [inaudible] society in Libya and we received another from Kenya [inaudible] in Spanish in Kenya and we received one from [inaudible] something, something in French from Morocco. But we [inaudible] due diligence from [inaudible]. So we

have decided to take action on these two and wait for the other two so we have their due diligence forms. That's it and I just want to add that someone has document.

AZIZ HILALI:

Aziz speaking. Thank you very much, Sarah. I'm not sure it was well-rendered in French, but as you're saying we've received the due diligence for the Libyan Internet Society, I think that's what you were saying and for the Kenya ICT Action Network, but we're still waiting for the due diligence from the [inaudible] [Participant speaking in different language]. And for the African university community center and for the promotion of internet. So the two applications that we should discuss this evening are the ones from Libya and the one from Kenya. For the other two, we're going to have to wait until we get the due diligence and so they're going to be discussed the next month.

Now, are there any objections to AFRALO giving positive advice for the accreditation off these two organizations? So the Libyan Internet Society and in Kenya, it is not a nice subchapter. So in Kenya we have the Kenya ICT action network. Are there any objections today? May I remind you I don't have Adobe connect right now and Skype is not working so don't try to reach out to me to. Basically, you should talk to me over the phone did.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Tijani speaking. Nothing on Adobe connect.

AZIZ HILALI: Aziz speaking. Okay, good. So to summarize, Sarah gave the staff a positive advice on these two first ALSs and we're going to have to postpone our decision on the two other goes until we have completed our due diligence. I have been in touch with Natalie and I think we're going to get the due diligence for the Moroccan ALS soon and for the other ALS as well, I think.

So the third application comes from someone who attended our NGOs meeting in Marrakesh, and the fourth application from Congo [inaudible] is an application that has been received because we participated at a meeting in Mauritius. This is to show you that our participation at other [inaudible] also has results for AFRALO. Now Tijani, is there anything going on at Adobe connect?

TIJANI BEN JEMAA: Tijani speaking. No, but there's someone who wishes to speak.

GISELLA GRUBER: Gisella speaking. Yes, I'm sorry. This is Gisella. I just wanted to let you know that Adobe connect, just for you to know that Abdeldjalil is saying he agrees with all applications. Janvier has one reservation; he's saying he needs a clarification on the Libyan Internet Society which is not a nice acceptor, but is confusing. So Abdeldjalil says he agrees with Janvier. Janvier is even asking whether they can change their name.

TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Tijani speaking. Listen, Internet society is as if you were primary school. It's not that because there is a world organization called primary schools that no one can name their primary school, primary school. Internet society merely means that it is any Internet society not that they are part of ISOC but as a chapter. The Libyan Internet Society has always existed but it was never an ISOC, it's nothing to do with ISOC and nowhere did they say they have any connection to ISOC. Thank you.

AZIZ HILALI:

Aziz speaking. Okay, thank you Tijani. Exactly, I agree with you. I know the people who have formed this organization. We've met them and we've asked them to become candidates and to join us for a very long time and I don't think we should ask them to change their name now. If there were any legal issue with their name, it would be up to the ISOC to ask them to change their name, but as you say they are merely an Internet organization so they're not misrepresenting themselves. And Morocco, we've called our ALS Moroccan Internet Society and when we created our group, we didn't know that the ISOC existed. It was back in 1993 that established our NGO and then later on we did become ISOC chapter, true. But when we created our organization we didn't even that ISOC existed.

Thank you all. Now, I don't think there are any other business or any other interventions. I would like to apologize with Claire and Camila and I would like to thank them very much. Thank you, Sylvia, Gisella, Heidi and everyone who participated at this meeting. So I think yes, I did say the interpreters. I said their names.

I would like to wish you all very happy holidays in advance and I hope you have a great end of the year and I hope in the next year, you will all be here to work with us. I'm not sure about the date for a next meeting, we'll see about that with Gisella. But I hope you will be here. Since you're all still connected actually, do you think we could meet on January 11th? I think if we move our meeting to ICANN 11th, we're going to have plenty of time to get some rest. Okay, so it's decided this January 11. Thank you all.

GISELLA GRUBER:

Gisella speaking. Thank you very much everyone, the meeting has now ended. Thank you all for having participated. Have wonderful holidays and we look forward to talking to you again in 2017. Thank you and good evening.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Thank you everyone. Happy holidays.

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