

Board/GAC Prep

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Board → ALAC

- To what degree is your membership actively participating in CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2? What could the Board or ICANN organization do to facilitate participation and timely completion of this work?
 - The ALAC may wish to explain to the Board the process how seasoned At-Large members who are deeply engaged in ICANN policy activities regularly brief the wider At-Large Community of the latest development of issues.
 - Particularly advise the ICANN Board on At-Large's regular ICANN Evolution WG calls as a continuity of WS1 efforts, especially as the ALAC is a charting organization of the CCWG-Accountability and will be responsible for the WS2 output.
 - Build a few statistics on RALO activities (APRALO focus, AFRALO focus, etc.) of updating their members on WS2 activities. e.g. AFRALO monthly meeting has a standing agenda item of WS2 briefing.
 - At-Large is aware of other parts of the ICANN community that hold updates/briefings on WS2 activities. E.g. NCSG holds an update every 5-7 weeks with the usual suspects (e.g. leadership people or people who are leading the Subgroup activities of WS2) attending with only 1-2 key areas of interest.
 - ALAC's briefings on the WS2 cover all subtopics and reach much wider membership, ensuring that the WS2 output would be satisfactory to the ALAC as a chartering organization.
 - Perhaps asking for more support to help end users engage, e.g. ask for translations for all WG outputs, questionnaires, and consultations into different languages.
- What policy/advice issues are top priorities for your group?

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Membership Participation

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To help?

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What policy/advice issues are top priorities for your group?

- At-Large Review
- At-Large – ALS – RALO Effectiveness
- WS2
- RDS
- gTLDs (New processes, CCT-RT)
- Continual Stream of PCs

ALAC → Board

- ICANN Meetings Scheduling
- At-Large Expectations

Meeting format and difficulty in cross-SO/AC participation, with GNSO PDP participation

- The last few meetings, coinciding with new meeting strategy, seem to have measurably increased difficulty in scheduling meetings and in particular often does not allow those active in ALAC from participating in other AC/SO activities. As an example, major GNSO PDPs such as gTLD Subsequent Procedures or Next Gen RDS meetings are held in direct opposition to At-Large working sessions. Attendance at Board-Other-AC/SO meetings tends to be impossible.
- Has the Board experienced anything similar or received other such comments?

At-Large – Reasonable Expectations

- Start of discussion an extract of an At-Large Review Survey Question
 - But this is NOT a discussion of the Review
 - Just a convenient set of options to look at

In your opinion which of the following statements most accurately describes the role played by the At-Large Community within ICANN?

- The At-Large Community is made up of ALSes and individual RALO members that mainly act in their own interests.
- The At-Large Community is made up of At-Large Structures (ALSes) and individual RALO members that engage in ICANN policy development processes on behalf of Internet end users worldwide.
- At-Large is the body within ICANN that allows all Internet end-users to engage in ICANN policy development processes in an equal and non-discriminatory fashion.
- The At-Large Community is made up of At-Large Structures (ALSes) and individual RALO members that effectively engage with the global community of Internet end-users in a bottom-up, consensus-driven fashion.
- The elected members of the ALAC have a mandate to speak in the interests and on behalf of end users in ICANN policy development

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- Largely correct. ALSes are independent entities that generally exist outside of the ICANN context. They of course act in their own interests (which may well coincide with the interests of other including the interests of 3.5 billion users. However, by consolidating these regionally diverse inputs, the RALOs and the ALAC can reasonably claim to represent the needs and interests of users world-wide.
- Not sure it really addresses the original question

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- Also correct. We certainly do need to get MORE people involved, but if the component parts listed are not us, who are we?

At-Large is the body within ICANN that allows all Internet end-users to engage in ICANN policy development processes in an equal and non-discriminatory fashion.

- Impossible. How can ANYTHING claim to engage all 3.5 billion users, or even provide the mechanisms to allow such participation? (6% of respondents thought we did this!)

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- Either impossible if it implies that ALSes and individual members engage with the ENTIRE global community, or is a reasonable target if we mean that each part engages in some subset of their local community, or is based on experience with such a community.

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- False. No one of the 10 RALO-selected (presumably that is what they meant by "elected") Member has a mandate to speak on behalf of all users or the users of their region. But together, along with the NomCom-appointed Members have a mandate to formulate statements which they believe will serve the global user community well.

Reality

- We will never get VAST numbers of people who are heavily involved in ICANN processes. Interest, knowledge and time constraints are significant

What is reasonable?

(open for Board input)

GAC - ALAC

1. Best practices for geographic names in future rounds of new gTLDs (prepared by the GAC WG on geographic names)
2. Council of Europe study on community applications for gTLD's
<https://rm.coe.int/CoERMPublicCommonSearchServices/DisplayDCTMContent?documentId=09000016806b5a14> [rm.coe.int]
3. GAC draft survey on underserved regions
4. At-Large Review
5. Work Stream 2 topics of joint interest
6. [Not IDN ccTLD string confusion]

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