

**Report on pre-ICANN 65 Read-out
Ottawa, Canada
May 30, 2019**

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On May 30, Telecommunities Canada and NARALO organized the third ICANN event in Ottawa -- a pre-Marrakesh briefing -- at the offices of Rebel.com, a local ICANN accredited registrar. It was a one hour session followed by a one hour networking period with 9 people in attendance and another 15 participating remotely via the ISOC livestream channel and ICANN's adobe room.

The session began with a presentation by Joe Catapano, from ICANN's Stakeholder Engagement Team, who had travelled to Ottawa for the event. Joe described the ICANN structure and the multistakeholder system.

Link to Ebook for Joe's slideshow <http://online.fliphtml5.com/gnel/mvcb/>

On specific ICANN65 issues, Marita Moll and NCSG Chair Stephanie Perrin provided an update on privacy protection for domain name registrants at ICANN and the status of Whois now that the GDPR is in force. Marita Moll provided some history and the current status of the ICANN PDP process around geonames using the .amazon case as an example of how political and technical issues converge in the ICANN ecosystem. She also introduced the subject of universal acceptance and the At Large commitment to bring more awareness about this issue to the community. This event was designed to be more interactive than other readouts we have organized. There was powerpoint by Joe Catapano. Beyond that, the topics were presented in an informal round-table discussion format. The networking session enabled further one on one discussions and follow-up questions. A copy of the meeting agenda is attached.

This event was promoted extensively. It was listed on the online community event system called "Eventful Ottawa". We had 40 invitations printed and handed them out at a "Digital Access Day" event here in Ottawa on May 28th. We reached out through the NARALO and At Large lists, various lists associated with ISOC, the National Capital Freenet (local community network) and Telecommunities Canada. Rebel.com agreed to promote the event through its internal mailing list. We connected with various contacts at the two local universities, local advocacy groups, and our own personal networks. The event was also promoted through a listing on the events page of the local newspaper and on social media.

The extensive promotion of the event in the wider community is part of the process of creating interest and awareness in Internet governance at the global level. The "Digital Access" day turned into part of this outreach event as Adiel Aplogan, ICANN VP technical engagement, spoke briefly and Marita Moll interacted with approx. 60 people individually about ICANN and the outreach event.

In the course of organizing 3 outreach events, we have also put together a brief "how to" document to help others considering holding such a local event. Of course, all contexts will be unique, but this document is intended to be a starting guide. A copy of the guide is attached.

Another deliverable resulting from this meeting is the livestream which can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/5ylquepn0xY>

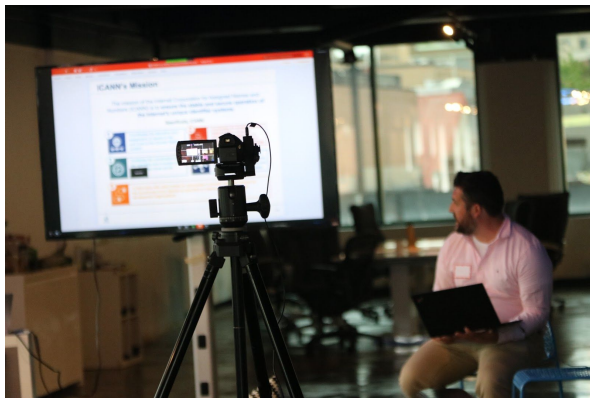
All of these items -- agenda, "How To" guide, slides and video -- will be posted on the Telecommunities Canada website.

Despite the fact that attendance was hampered by traffic snarls in the downtown area due to a brief visit by the U.S. vice-president and a high profile international parliamentary committee meeting on disinformation and fake news at the House of Commons, also on that day, which we could not have predicted, this was a successful event that did reach out to the community and raise awareness about ICANN in numerous ways.

Video

<https://youtu.be/5ylquepn0xY>

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