

Dear APRALO Community,

Greetings to all,

I'm starting this email expressing my interest of self-nomination to APRALO position as representative of ALAC delegates to the Nomcom.

My path in ICANN started with my first fellowship in ICANN53, 2015, in those two years, I gone through a discovery mission to familiarize myself of the work of different entities of ICANN organizational structures and its cross community interactions, because believe that experience strengthen the theoretical background and gives depth understanding in knowledge construction. When my timeline started with ICANN at Buenos Aires, APRALO LT team gave me the understanding of what is expected of the role of ALSes and it happened that ISOC Palestine was a recent accredited ALS APRALO member. As the vice chair of ISOC Palestine, I became a delegate of my ALS, after that the Chapter carried different outreach activities for ICANN and how to make the public aware of ICANN. At ICANN55, I was a coach fellow and I focused my schedule to attend ccNSO sessions. Where .PS considered me their liaison in their absence of ICANN public meetings, I even gave presentation about .PS at the newcomer session of APTLD70. On April 2015, I became a member of MEAC-SWG, helped in putting its Charter and the Strategy itself. Attended APSIG 2016 as a fellow participant to increase my awareness of the IG issues in the diverse Asia Pacific region and now I'm active in their fellowship sub-committees. Again I was a coach fellow at ICANN57 which helped me widen my AP network with ICANN members. This week I gave a hand in formulating an IGF2017 workshop proposal initiated by APSIG community member in cooperation with IG activists from Global South. As for the GNSO, last August, I became an individual member of NCUC, an experience which helped me identify the difference in the missions and affiliations of At-Large and their focus programs of civil society and end users. The closest I could get into the ASO was through my remote attendance to sessions at MENO17.

For my ICANN engagement in committees/sub committees, I'm a participant at the "ALAC Subcommittee on Finance and Budget", "Cross-Community Working Group on new gTLD Auction Proceeds" and a member of the NomCom2 Review Working Party. The later equipped me with comprehensive understanding of the role of nomcom members while examining of the RFP for Review of the Nominating Committee to the independent examiner.

A brief background of my personal profile, I'm online freelancer in Capacity Building on IG and certified tutor by Diplo Foundation. Soon to end, my term as a vice chair of ISOC Palestine and founding member of ISOC Blockchain Special Interest Group. Graduated from Syracuse University with double MSc. degrees in Computer Science and Information Resources Management and have a BSc. in Mathematics/Computer Science from Jordan University. Had a 23 years of lecturer experience in Operations Management courses at the Faculty of Business Administration in Bethlehem University. Served on the nomination committee presenting Best Bits network on the Internet Governance Civil Society Coordination Group. As an member of the Arab MAG 2015, I coordinated the workshops track for the 4<sup>th</sup> Arab IGF. Was among the training consultants for the online track on IG capacity building program for HIVOS iGmena project.

Having a look at ICANN Bylaws, Article 8: NOMINATING COMMITTEE, section 8.4 Criteria for Selection of Nominating Committee Delegates; with my academic experience, and the good background that I developed about SO/ACs I can apply with confidence of my competences that match this position even with no consideration for gender balance criteria.

Hoping APRALO members will find my bio matches their expectations for this position.

Best wishes,  
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