

CREATION OF LACRALO FUTURE COUNCIL - WORKING GROUP - FFCL-WG

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Background:

This working group has been created in accordance with the guidelines and outcomes of the mediation process carried out in Los Angeles City in January 2017 to create a Council of Elders.

In February of this year, the Mediation Report entitled "LACRALO's Way Forward" and drafted by CBI - the process mediators who developed a series of recommendations in order to address differences and strengthen LACRALO continuous work - was received. (Spanish, English and Portuguese versions of the report were sent to LACRALO mailing lists). The aforementioned Report proposes, as Next steps, the creation of a "Council of Elders" (preliminary name given).

Therefore, a call for the creation of the Working Group was made through the LACRALO mailing list (Spanish and English) requiring a minimum of 5 participants; and 14 applications were received. On May 24th, 2017, the first meeting was held, and participants brainstormed on the nature of the future council and the topics it should deal with.

The first suggested purpose for this Council was to "provide some kind of mentoring or follow-up for community members, and to improve and promote policy development within our Region" (text provided by mediators); however, it was the duty of the members of the council formation working group to determine whether we agreed or not with mediators, as well as to determine work methodologies, terms, goals, among other things.

In compliance with the provisions of the Mediation Report, the "Emeritus Council" is created, and it shall be governed by the rules set forth herein.

Objective and scope of work

1) NAME OF THE FUTURE COUNCIL

A formal vote has been held among the members of the working group, FFCL-WG; and among the 7 suggested names, the following name has been chosen:

CONSEJO DE EMÉRITUS de LACRALO / EMERITUS COUNCIL of LACRALO.

2) COUNCIL FUNCTIONS

(a) Advise LACRALO leaders (Chair, Secretary, ALAC Member, Representative) and LACRALO ALSes, whenever required or in case of issues related to LACRALO Operating Principles and Rules of Procedure.

b) Support LACRALO members on policy-related discussion, and relevant ICANN-related issues.

c) Safeguard LACRALO Institutional Memory.

- d) Make suggestions on the admission of new ALSes to LACRALO and make recommendations to the community regarding submitted applications.
- e) Help Leadership in the promotion of regulatory or procedural reforms in accordance with the experience and best practices.
- f) Propose and encourage LACRALO members participation in leadership positions to maximize engagement opportunities, and lead the community.
 - g) Help the community in the development of effective mechanisms for participation and involvement in LACRALO working groups, discussions and activities, and related instances, as well as in the achievement of goals and objectives of active working groups.
- h) Provide mentoring sessions on a regular basis, coordinating with LACRALO Leaders, to take advantage of the Training Plan (or similar) and contribute to its development.

3) COUNCIL FORMATION

- a) The Council shall consist of people with experience within LACRALO. It shall have no less than 3 and no more than 5 participants, taking into account LACRALO geographical diversity. They shall be elected by the community, as per regular, regional election processes.
- b) Regardless of the number of candidates, a list with those candidates obtaining more votes shall be created. This list shall also be used when a member of the Council is to be replaced for any reason; following the order of votes received. If no replacement is available, a call for vote shall be made.
- c) The 5 candidates with the higher number of votes shall be elected for the formation of the First LACRALO Council.
- d) Resignation: Council Members shall be able to resign at any time, and the next most voted candidate, in the original election of the council, shall replace the resigning member until the end of his /her term. If no replacement is available, a call for election shall be made.
- e) Term duration / Renewal of council members:

The tenure of the first elected members shall be 2 or 3 years, with two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the Council being renewed at the end of the second year.

Members who have obtained fewer votes shall remain for 2 years, and those who have obtained more votes shall remain for 3 years; thus, ensuring Council's work continuity and memory keeping.

4) REQUIREMENTS TO BE A COUNCIL MEMBER

In order to be eligible to become a council member, at least, 4 of the requirements listed below shall be met:

- a) To have actively participated in LACRALO during the last 5 years.
- b) To have been elected to any LACRALO leadership position. (Chair, Secretary, ALAC Member, Representative).
- c) To have held a relevant position in any of the other ACs, SOs, and/or Board.
- d) To have actively participated in no less than 3 ICANN and/or LACRALO WG/CCWG.
- e) To have participated no less than 8 LACRALO monthly meetings during the last 12 months.
- f) To have attended, at least, one ATLAS meeting or meetings of similar nature.

g) Not to hold any leadership position in LACRALO (Chair, Secretary, ALAC Member, Representative), at the time of his/her appointment, and during the term in office in the Council.

5) COUNCIL OPERATION

a) The Council shall elect its coordinator among the elected members, and the term shall be of one (1) year; not being entitled to be reelected for a subsequent period. (After one year as coordinator, he/she shall remain as a Council member until the end of his/her term).

b) The Council shall meet regularly, by any defined electronic means, once (1) a month, preferably during the week before the LACRALO monthly meeting, to report on its activities and provide notifications during said meeting.

c) The Council shall have its own subpage within the LACRALO wiki, where any LACRALO member shall be entitled to post questions and doubts; and answers shall be provided on that same wiki.

d) The Council may be convened for extraordinary meetings with LACRALO leaders who - with staff support - shall agree on the date and time suitable for both parties.

e) If necessary, and at discretion of the Council, community experts on topics requiring specific expertise shall be able to join the meetings to support its work.

6) THE COUNCIL SHALL OPERATE with greatest possible openness and transparency, in accordance with its procedures, and shall work to ensure fairness in all its activities.

Its meetings shall be recorded, and agendas shall be reported to the LACRALO general mailing list.

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