
EVIN ERDOGDU: Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening, everyone. Welcome to the APRALO monthly teleconference on Wednesday, 13 December 2017 from 6:00 UTC to 7:00 UTC.

Today on the call with us we have Satsih Babu, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Kaili Kan, Maureen Hilyard, Holly Raiche, Shreedeeep Rayamajhi, Ali AlMeshal who will be joining us a few minutes late, Sam Goundar, Yasuichi Kitamura, Nadira Al-Araj, Lianna Galstyan, Amrita Choudhury, Pavan Budhrani, and Tomohiro Fujisaki.

We have noted apology from Justine Chew.

And on staff we have with us Silvia Vivanco, Siranush Vardanyan, Kelvin Wong, and myself, Evin Erdogdu. I will also be doing call management.

Our Chinese interpreters today are Yi Yi and Sandy.

With that, I'd like to remind everyone to please state your name for the record and also for transcription purposes, and I'll turn it back over to you, Satish. Please begin.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Evin, and welcome to everyone joining this call. This is a combined call of November and December, and since it is the call just after the General Assembly, we will be spending most of our time today on the GA follow-up. We have a fairly crowded agenda today, so I will get going with the agenda right away. Agenda #2 is the membership matters. I request Evin to update us.

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EVIN ERDOGDU: Sure. Thanks, Satish, and I'll be brief. There's a chart on the agenda page for everyone's reference, but basically, the APRALO leadership has decided to send the ALS applicants 273 Yemeni Organization for Development and Exchange Technology to ALAC vote, so that will be scheduled for this coming Monday.

I am processing due diligence for ISOC Chapter Indonesia Jakarta, and there's one applicant, Surabhi Softwares which has applied many months ago. They have not been responsive to contact attempts, so so far that's a bit on hold. Otherwise, that's all from my end. Thanks so much, Satish.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Evin. We also note that there is one individual member application that is in the pipeline, which we are looking into the specific case here because we wanted to confirm that the person was not a member of an existing ALS. That process is going on, and for the next meeting, I would suggest that we move Surabhi Softwares to the "on hold" category.

With that, we move on to our regular update on policy. This time, the policy update is for ten minutes, and I request Holly, Maureen and Kaili to lead us through this. With input from Cheryl, if required.

HOLLY RAICHE: Right. Thank you. And could I have the policy page showing, please? So the agenda on the screen. Whoever is managing the call.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Sure, Holly. I will pull it up in a couple of minutes. One moment.

HOLLY RAICHE: Okay. If everybody else could look at the link, there are a few items. This is the policy page for the ALAC. The first is enhancing accountability. This is part of the Subsequent Procedures that is part of the new gTLD program. Cheryl may be the best person to deal with this, but at the moment, if you notice, it's drafting. So in fact, we expect there will be – I'll just see if there's anything on there. Yes, there is a first draft submitted.

If there's a first draft up, my suggestion to everybody is to just have a look at that text, read through the comments, read through the first draft. It's a very short draft, but it's essentially supporting a recommendation for enhancing diversity, and even just reading it and saying "support" is very useful, because it means that ALAC when you go to finalize things, you know you have the support of the community.

The next item is the recommendations to improve the ICANN office. I'm not sure if this has got any comments. Sorry, I'm just taking over from Maureen here. No, it doesn't have a first draft yet. If you remember, this has been the subject of some discussion. The Ombudsman's office jurisdiction is fairly limited simply to the functions of ICANN, and I imagine that that's going to be up to look at how best to improve the accountability here.

The next one, staff accountability. Maureen, have you had a look at that today? Your name is up here.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thanks, Holly. No, I hadn't taken a look at it today, I must admit. But we've actually made a brief little comment, and still waiting for other comments to come through and then we'll make a statement. Thank you.

HOLLY RAICHE:

Okay. Thanks. Jurisdiction is an interesting one. It was the subject of some discussion as to what do you mean by jurisdiction, what jurisdiction does ICANN have? It can be largely a legal question, and when thinking about it, that's what my brain goes straight to. So it raises questions about essentially what are the limits of ICANN's ability to enforce things, and where does that power come from, and are we looking at the issue of jurisdiction? Should it be expanded? In fact, can it be expanded is perhaps a better question. That's being drafted as I see now.

The next one – and this is the one I've actually drafted the statement on this – this is one of the important issues coming out of the new gTLDs. When the new gTLDs were started, part of the process was we need to look – we being ICANN – with the introduction of new gTLDs, as part of the process, we were to look at the extent to which the new gTLDs have expanded or improved competition, consumer trust and consumer choice. We made – “we” being ALAC – a comment on the first draft, and that's on the ALAC website on our policy page.

This is the second lot. What's happened is there have been some additional reports coming in, and so there are new sections to the first draft. So this is a comment on those new sections. They are largely about the issue of parking, and also about DNS abuse. And there are some interesting statistics. For example, with the parking one, in the Asia Pacific region, particularly China, there was a very high rate of parking. But if you look at the Latin American region, about 78% of new gTLDs have new content in them, so it's a very interesting sort of difference between the two areas. Mainly, they have recommendations on DNS abuse and what should be done to address DNS abuse.

I've drafted the response that says we should accept all of the recommendations that are made about DNS abuse. A contentious one where in fact there is not unanimity amongst the working group that's dealing with this issue would be whether there should be a dispute resolution process in relation to DNS abuse. I tentatively think there should, but I invite everybody to read the whole paper and comment, particularly on this particular recommendation, because it doesn't have the support of the full working group.

And finally, the At-Large workspace on operating standards, at this stage ALAC has not determined the extent to which – well, really, first of all if we're going to comment, and then who's going to hold the pen. But that comment is not due until 15 January, so we do have some time up our sleeve. Are there any questions? And if not, I hand it back to you, Satish.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Holly. I see Kaili's hand is up. Kaili, would you like to very briefly intervene here? Please go ahead.

KAILI KAN: Yes. Thank you, Satish. And also, fully agree with Holly just as said, and just that on the 18th, there will be a webinar of Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice which Silvia had just put in the chat box. And so also as Holly pointed out, the new [sections,] especially those related with parking, especially with DNS abuse, are highly related to our region and to us as end users. So I also encourage everybody to look at the document, attend the webinar, and comment. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Kaili. Holly, please go ahead.

HOLLY RAICHE: Yes. Thank you, Kaili, for mentioning the webinar. It is will be a very interesting webinar. Unfortunately for the APAC region, as usual, it's at a very inconvenient time. Certainly for Australia, it's 3:00 in the morning, and I imagine for other regions it's even earlier in the morning or late at night. So if we can start having webinars at two different times, I think ICANN has forgotten it's a global organization, so unfortunately for the APAC region, it's not at a convenient time. However, if people are interested, by all means watch the webinar or see it at another time. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Holly, for this addition. I fully endorse your suggestion that there should be either rotation or multiple times for this webinar so that our community can participate. We will now move on to the Agenda Item #4, which is the substantive part of today's call, and these are points arising out of the General Assembly that we just had last month, on the 1st and 2nd of last month in Abu Dhabi. Overall, the General Assembly was very productive time for all of us. The feedback that Lianna will be shortly sharing brings it out very well.

But we are also reminded that there are several areas that we need to work on with the rest of the community. And these action items that we have put down in this agenda item are actually some of the more important ones. There may be a few more that we'll take up in subsequent calls. Before we get into these, I would like to request Lianna to quickly take us through the feedback from the GA participants. Over to you, Lianna.

HOLLY RAICHE: We can't hear you.

SATISH BABU: Lianna, are you muted? Yes.

LIANNA GALSTYAN: No, I'm not. You cannot hear me? Hello.

SATISH BABU: We can hear you now. Yes.

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Okay. Great. [I'm going to share] [inaudible] feedback we have received from our GA participants. Overall, it was really very good, and everyone agreed that it was organized in a very smooth, very nice [way to] encourage the participation and [inaudible]. So on a different, we have started the questions and the feedback, like do they come for this meeting for the first time, face-to-face meeting, or it's not?

So as you see – for those who cannot see, actually I will comment it verbally – that half of the respondents came for the first time. And for all of them, it was really very interesting engagement meeting. And later, for the overall satisfaction of the General Assembly, all our participants mostly say that they are mostly satisfied. And then we go through the specific questions about the program, the capacity building program that we have organized for all our participants. I cannot scroll the screen, Evin. What happened? [inaudible] Yes, thank you.

For the capacity building program, we've gone through the [whole] part. So for the first part, what is Internet, what is Internet governance was the topic. Mostly, all of the participants said that they are satisfied, like satisfied for four and five mark. And I should note that in overall for all the parts of capacity building, we have got no zero marks, or one which is very dissatisfied. So in overall, it has been very good.

And for the second question or the second part, if you can scroll down, we have the same picture for all the sections of the capacity building. And for the part three, "What is the dark web, its uses and abuses," that

got the most favorable attitude from our participants. They liked it very much, they found it very useful to know and to learn something new which they didn't know.

And for the breakout sessions, that was a very good [access] but the people, what they commented in the open comment box was that they want more interaction. And they supposed that we could give them more time for discussions and then for follow-up with these breakout groups. So the discussion in those groups was really great, but then they wanted to report back and due to the lack of time, probably, we could not do that in the extent we wanted or our participants wanted to. But that's just a restriction of time as well.

As for the General Assembly itself, it was great. Everyone agreed on this. And for the debrief – and here, the comments come for the debrief one and two – we have comments that actually, our ALSes want to interact more and to speak about their activities more and about the challenges, whatever they have to. So this is the one thing that we need to take into account for the other event we're organizing. Thank you to all of you who participated and brought this to our attention. We will take it into consideration by all means.

As for the logistics for the travel, for accommodation and visa issues, we have got very good response, very good marks of the organization. The food is for food and booth interaction. Initially, people did not volunteer for the booth, sharing and being there on duty, but in the end, many people, many ALS representatives had been there and found themselves engaged with each other in the discussions, etc.

And for the showcase, it was great, amazing, and people had very good feedback of that event. And yes, I want to say thanks to all my colleagues who organized it, and also to our [inaudible] provided this opportunity to organize it in a very quick way. And we have also asked about the At-Large Structures and as it was supposed, it was a very good result, and I want to join here to our representatives and say thanks to our staff for the great report. They do an amazing job not only for the General Assembly but overall as well [as] our current working space.

And for the APRALO Live History e-book, it was quite interesting. It's a very good initiative that started, and it is an initiative of Kaili with the implementation of mostly Maureen. Once again, thank you so much for bringing all the live history into the e-book, and we can now have something substantive of the work being done for the past decade. And we look forward to creating a new addition for the next decade.

And we asked the question about preparing the e-book on a regular basis like quarterly, annually, semi-annually or none, and we've got response that mostly, they would like to see quarterly. So [inaudible] present semi-annual and the rest [inaudible] annual. So we would see how it would go, but for this we need the update from our ALSes. So whoever of our ALSes send us the documents of their activities, etc., we could then convert it to the e-book and have the next edition [of that.] And I have here additional feedback [inaudible].

SATISH BABU:

Lianna, we are running short of time, so can you conclude, please?

LIANNA GALSTYAN: Yes, just in a minute. We need to take into consideration all the comments there, and [inaudible]. And that's it, Satish. Thank you very much.

SATISH BABU: Thank you very much, Lianna. Are there any very short questions or comments? The feedback is available online on the wiki. Please take a look, and if you have any comments, please let us know either in the wiki itself or by e-mail, and we can of course take up any issues that might need to be highlighted.

So we will now move on – not seeing any hands – to the next item, which is one of the suggestions that came up in the GA was to have focus groups on policy, and we would like to pilot. When the leadership team discussed this matter, the general consensus was that we should try out one as a pilot and see how it goes, and I now request Holly and Kaili to tell us about the pilot on perhaps the new gTLD and related matters. Over to you, Holly, or Kaili.

HOLLY RAICHE: Yes. Thank you. My screen's gone blank. I don't know why. I'll just talk anyway even though I can't see the screen. I don't know why it's gone, my screen's gone.

When Kaili and I talked about a pilot project, we thought we actually start first with everybody just reading both the ALAC statement that has already been voted on by ALAC and have a look at the comments that I've already put on the policy page. Those two together pretty well

outline the ALAC position. There's a bit of reading to do for people who are interested, and a final piece of the puzzle would have been the webinar.

Once we've had people reading those two reports and the webinar, then we can actually get to have a little group talking about ways forward. Because if you look at the two reports, in the first report, the ALAC did make some supportive statements and recommendations, and I have suggested other recommendations. So I think those three elements will give people enough background for them to decide whether they're interested in the topic, and once they're interested in the topic, then we can form a working group so that we can progress within ALAC – and certainly within the ALAC region – discussions on how to progress the consumer trust.

Because this is one of the primary tests that ALAC – well, it was not just ALAC, way back when we had what's called the Affirmation of Commitments. It was our agreement between the United States and ICANN on management of ICANN. And one of the commitments that ICANN had to do was to test with the introduction of new gTLDs the issues of consumer trust, consumer choice, and competition. So this is really a bedrock thing as part of the new gTLDs. It's an important topic, and it's one we would like people to be interested in.

So if you are interested and want a formal working group, the first steps are simply reading what's there and then participating in the webinar. And that's really why I thought I hope we can have a webinar for a time that is convenient for APAC, because certainly for Sydney, it's at 3:00 in the morning. If you go back to other areas of Asia, it's either sort of

midnight, 1:00 or 2:00 in the morning, so it's a little bit difficult to ask people to get up at that hour, and it will be really helpful if either the webinar can be recorded or put on our website so that we can form a working group to progress the issues. And Kaili, do you want to add anything to that?

SATISH BABU: Yes, Kaili.

KAILI KAN: Thank you, Satish. First of all, what Holly said is very important, and especially for us to get involved in the policymaking. And also, the new sections will be very [inaudible] as I said just as end users, and also in particular the parking issue especially [inaudible]. I'm not sure if our ALSes in China have attended today, but I'll try to get in touch with them and provide some feedback. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Yes, thank you, Holly and Kaili. So we will be now requesting our ALSes and individual members to join this initiative of this pilot, and we'll be looking forward to more instructions from Kaili and Holly who have very kindly agreed to lead this initiative. So we will see more of this as we go forward.

The next is another item that came up in the General Assembly. This is about maintaining an APRALO calendar that enumerates all the regional events happening in Asia Pacific. I request Maureen, Ali, Lianna, Pavan,

whoever wants to contribute to this, please go ahead. Maybe Maureen to start with.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Satish. One of the objectives of an ALS of course is to distribute information to your community about ICANN. And one of the things we wanted to – and we set the calendar up quite a while ago so that anyone, any ALS who actually had any [inaudible] at all to let others know what was happening. And also let ICANN know that our ALSes are actually working in their interest.

At the bottom of the At-Large page, you'll actually find the link that actually goes to the APRALO calendar. If you have an event, please contact any one of us in the leadership team, and we can put it onto the calendar for you. But it does give a very good overview of what is actually happening in our region and what events are actually happening. It may not be specifically your ALS. Your ALS may be involved in something. So please let us know what's happening so that we can let others know as well. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Maureen. Do any of the others want to add to this? Ali, Lianna, Pavan? Not seeing any hands, I think this is quite clearly kind of outlined by Maureen, so please write to us with the events in your locality, and we will ensure that it is highlighted on the calendar.

The next item is on the proposed newsletter. Now, one of the things that we had discussed during the – when discussing the issue of how

should ALSes pass on information from ICANN or At-Large or APRALO to their members, there was a need for information that should reach them periodically so that they can in turn pass it on to their members, so that those individual members who are part of the ALS could contribute or join the policy initiatives. So for this purpose, that is to take information from the APRALO ICANN policy initiatives to the ALSes and to their members in turn, it was considered that a newsletter would be a good thing to do.

And Amrita who I see is on the call has volunteered to help out with this with the guidance from the leadership team. So we are actually thanking Amrita and requesting that this be officialized. Amrita, do you have anything to add to this right now? Not hearing from Amrita, we will move on. So hopefully, we will see the first issue of the newsletter shortly ahead.

The next is a very important activity, which is about the performance tracking of ALSes. I request Maureen to talk to us. Maureen has been working on this for quite some time now. Maureen, please go ahead.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Satish. Yes, this is an important activity I'd really like to involve our APRALO members in before we actually go into the larger, wider At-Large group which will actually happen very urgently as well. Unfortunately, IGF sort of happening, looming, I probably can't get to this until after the IGF is first.

We've already started an interesting discussion on the e-mail list. There were some really good points that were made by APRALO members,

and these were the sorts of things that we would like to consolidate in some way so that when we go into the wider group, APRALO has actually got some clear statements to make at that moment. And things that we're going to take note of ourselves and [inaudible] need to make some changes.

But what we will do is very shortly after IGF, I will call [inaudible] and we will gather a group and start having discussions about that, because we need to be looking at the performance of the ALSes and their impacts on events and invitations and that later on down the track. So those are things that we want to talk about too. Okay, so that's all I've got to say, Satish. Have you got anything to add to that?

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Maureen. I would like to say that this is ALS in a way tied to the implementation of the At-Large review, as and when the Board decides to tell us what needs to be implemented. While we want to track the performance of our ALSes, we would also at some point look at those ALSes which are either dead or dormant, and we might want to think of a process of decertifying or weeding them out so that we don't have to carry them along if they're not interested. We'll of course try our best to get them involved, get them rejuvenated, but if they have gone far beyond, then there will be an issue there, and we will have to therefore discuss as the At-Large review items come out. So we will be forming this group and calling for volunteers, and I'm sure everybody's contributions will be welcome.

The next item is also tied to the At-Large review in a way, which is about the specific Bylaw provisions for individual members. Justine was there with us in ICANN60 representing individual members. There was quite a lovely discussion on individual members, and we saw how the other ALSes felt on this issue. [inaudible] contingent on the At-Large review implementation, we might have to wait for a little bit of time until that is clear to us as to what's going to happen there. And then depending on the implementation of the review, we will have to bring in appropriate modifications to our Bylaws. And this also will be a group process, and we will come back to this if we are clear on what to do.

And the last item in this head is regional liaison with our partners. So our partners, of course [inaudible] part of ICANN, so Kelvin and Jia-Rong are part of our group itself, and we have frequent leadership team meetings with them, and we are working together in a very productive manner right now. But we also have partnership with APNIC, APTLD, DotAsia, and so on, and we will be meeting with the APNIC leadership. We've already asked them for a slot during APRICOT which is coming up so that we can discuss some of the points which came up during the discussion in the GA.

For instance, there was a request that, can ALSes get a discount on some of the events, maybe the registration fee in some of the events, because it is quite expensive for ALSes to attend otherwise. But also how we can in general together collaborate [inaudible] So we will hopefully discuss these issues. Both APTLD and APNIC will be meeting in APRICOT. And Maureen is of course part of DotAsia, so we're also talking to them. And the APAC Hub of course is [inaudible]. So the leadership team is working on this regional liaison.

Now, are there any comments, questions or suggestions? Ali, please go ahead.

ALI ALMESHAL: Thanks, Satish. Do you hear me?

SATISH BABU: Yes. Please go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: We hear you.

ALI ALMESHAL: Okay. On the same subject, Satish, I have tried to secure a partnership deal with RIPE NCC during ICANN60 in Abu Dhabi, but unfortunately it was a bit late for them because it's almost end of the year, and they say they cannot do that, and they were already in agreement I believe with EURALO. So I have been [inaudible] on 2018 we can secure a good partnership agreement with RIPE NCC, specifically for the Middle East region as well. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks, Ali. That's a great idea, and given our special status that we are dealing with multiple NICs and regional Internet registries, we would like to get into some kind of a formal relation with all of them, and I think we should therefore try to build bridges with the multiple RIRs that we are in touch with. Are there any to her comments by anyone?

Are there any other issues after the GA? Not seeing any hands, we will now move on to Agenda Item #5, which is the APRALO Mentoring Program 2.0, the second round, so it's over to Ali.

ALI ALMESHAL:

Thanks, Satish. As all of us know that after a very good, successful mentorship program that has gone almost in a year timeframe, we have learned a lot from that and we have so many things to adjust, modify and enhance, and that's what we are working on, as per our previous meeting, to be delivered in January 2018 because this month and previous one, we were so much [inaudible]. So I'm working on that. Very soon, it'll be shared with the leadership team, and of course we will always need our [inaudible] help and guidance into that, Cheryl Langdon-Orr. So I am on top of that right now, and hopefully by January, we'll have the second draft on that that we'll be able to share. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Ali. I see Cheryl's hand up, so Cheryl, and then Shahul Hameed. Please go ahead, Cheryl.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR:

Thank you very much, Satish. I'm delighted to see it going forward. I was very pleased with us hitting a number of desirable benchmarks out of the pilot, not the least of which of course is getting some of our mentees from that pilot into important leadership roles, and I think with people like Nadira heading straight to the NomCom, I think that's a

prime example of the sort of thing we were aiming to do. But obviously, we do need to do more, and I'm delighted to see Ali and the team getting on with the reviewing of the job.

Can I encourage you while you're doing your planning however to do a little bit more – I'm happy for you to touch base with me in the early days of the planning, because I think we could have prepared our mentors better, and I would also encourage you to be slightly less ambitious. You took in a really extraordinarily large number of people, and not all of them were engaged as deeply as some of our star performers. Perhaps we could look at ways of you doing a first triage so that who you will be mentoring will be the star performers. And I'm happy to assist with that as well, but I think it would be a very good idea to be at the same time more ambitious and less ambitious. More ambitious with the quality and the outcome, and less ambitious with the total numbers that you take through to full mentoring. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Cheryl. I think that's a good idea. We will run of course the plan with you, and we will then come to a consensus on the optimal number. Keeping in mind we have no idea this [one] how many people are [inaudible]. Last time, we did have a situation that we had to turn away a few people and ask them to come for the next round, so we will discuss with you and then finalize the optimum number, and also the outcomes and the deliverables for the program. So Ali will lead this, and he will be getting back to you, Cheryl, on this. Are there any comments on the mentoring program?

Not seeing any hands, please await the next announcement from Ali on this program. Next is another important program that we took up at short notice just before ICANN60, which is the APRALO History project, which Kaili very kindly agreed to lead. Now Kaili will update us on his thoughts on how to take this to the next phase. Over to you, Kaili.

KAILI KAN:

Thank you, Satish. About the History project, I did [agree] that during ICANN60 especially, APRALO General Assembly [inaudible] especially thanks to Maureen, our e-book was of value. And as Lianna just pointed out, it was welcomed by all the ALSes. And as Lianna has collected feedback from ALSes that my understanding is that most of our ALSes would like to see it continue, and periodically update it, maybe annually or even maybe quarterly. This, how we go ahead, is indeed something that the entire APRALO, At-Large community, [region] needs to decide. For example, one issue is how official do you want it to be? If we want it to be [inaudible] or APRALO's official publication of the Internet, then what material should we include and even highlight? And also the format and so forth, and also the resources.

For example, before ICANN60, we wanted to have a depository for all the ALSes and the people to contribute material, so that material could be stored and further reviewed and edited and included in this e-book. But [inaudible] but never operational, and we would need some kind of staff support. That means for this project to go on, maybe we would need some resources from ICANN, on the staff side and so forth.

Also, another issue is that before ICANN60, for the History project, we had a team [inaudible] there and after ICANN60, I think including myself, we consider the [inaudible] mission has been accomplished. So now, for the edit, like either this team or something like that, editing for [inaudible] to resume this team and make it a group effort. I think this all needs to be discussed by our ALSes and APRALO. And then maybe we go ahead and [inaudible]. At this moment, I would like to welcome everybody to provide their opinions and feedback, and maybe Maureen, would you like to say anything? Yeah, you are the most experienced. You were the Chief Editor for our e-book.

MAUREEN HILYARD:

Thank you, Kaili. I think that there are some interesting comments coming through in the chat about these development, and I think a different [inaudible] I like Cheryl's idea of putting more recordings and that from different people, and it could be, yes, an excellent [inaudible] we could move on to. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thanks, Maureen, and thanks, Kaili. So we have decided that the History project will continue. The repository will continue to be available for members to add resources, and also, the oral history that Cheryl has suggested could be on video, mobile phone-based video that can be taken without any other resources required, or audio, and this can also be then either to assign [inaudible] metadata and then added to the repository. Kaili, do you have anything to add here? Please go ahead.

KAILI KAN: Yes, thank you, Satish. I think for everybody to add material, and also to save and categorize our existing material, we need the depository to work. But so far, that is not working, so maybe that would be we need some staff support. Also maybe we could decide on the team whether we need to have a team or editorial board or something within our APRALO because otherwise who would be in charge and how the procedure or so-called rules of procedure protocols that we established. So those things still need to be decided. So there are still some decisions to make. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Kaili. Yes, so Mario can help us with the repository, and I think leadership team has to work on the team aspect of it, how to take it forward and who'll be leading it. So we will discuss this within the leadership team and come out with some suggestions. Yes, Nadira, please go ahead.

NADIRA AL-ARAJ: Regarding the History project, I also for the list and wiki for the ALSes, there is no sourcing date for them. It's good to have practice in editing to that logo to have when they started as well. In the wiki. That's part, because it was difficult to track back when each one was chartered. So that's my point. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Nadira. So Nadira suggests we record also the year of starting a debate or starting of the ALS as distinct from the year of affiliation. Yes, Kaili, please go ahead.

KAILI KAN: As to Nadira's question, by the end of [inaudible] of ICANN60 for the History project, we had both pieces. [inaudible] also we have had two pieces recorded video on the APRALO history, and also we have finally sorted out the accreditation history of all our ALSes, although it was not included in the e-book. Anyway, [break down] we do have the accreditation history of our ALSes sorted out. But so far, we need to decide how to include that into our e-book or other way to publish [inaudible]. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Kaili. So we will then be first discussing the continuation of [inaudible] leadership, issue of the History project within the APRALO leadership team, and then we will possibly be putting out a call for members, and then [inaudible] people can please join the team, and there's a general consensus that we have to take this forward. And noting that we have only seven minutes to go, we have the next item which is an update from the NomCom by Nadira. Please go ahead, Nadira.

NADIRA AL-ARAJ: Thank you, Satish. May I have the slide for the NomCom formation, please? While putting that on, I will just simply introduce – let me see –

oh, yes, it doesn't show all of it. As a simple introduction, the NomCom is an independent committee tasked to select a number of seats to the roles of ICANN Board, ALAC, ccNSO, GNSO, and recently the Public Technical Identifiers, PTI.

The NomCom has nonvoting members representing the Chair. As for the 2018 NomCom, we have Zahid Jamil, and for the Chair Elect, we have Damon Ashcraft. And for the Assistant Chair, we have Hans Petter Holen. Adding to the NomCom nonvoting member delegates, there are delegates from the SSAC and RSSAC, and for the GAC, so far and for the previous years, no delegate has been appointed to the NomCom. As the remaining 15 members – I'm one part of them – are a voting member. Can I have the second slide, please? The second slide for the open positions.

Currently – that would be good if we have it, please. The current open positions are, as you see in this infographic, the open positions are [leaders.] There are three seats for the Board, there is one nonvoting members for the GNSO Council, and there are two seats for the ALAC and one seat for the ccNSO.

Last week, we had an interesting meeting with a different representative of the Chairs and delegates from the SO/ACs, and we have Alan Greenberg for ALAC, Becky Burr for the Board, Farzaneh Badii for NCSG, and Katrina Sataki for the ccNSO.

The meeting was very rich in terms of they provided us what is their current discussion on their table, and also the discussion went asking about what is the expected qualification of the coming seats or coming

roles. Finally, I will soon – stay tuned, because soon, the calls for these roles will be announced by the NomCom, and if you find yourself fit, I do encourage you to apply. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you very much, Nadira. Are there any questions for Nadira on the NomCom? You can of course ask her directly if you have any questions later as well. This is a very important aspect of ICANN, both in terms of our representation in the NomCom, but also in the NomCom the ability to reach out and get the maximum outreach of these open positions.

So now we move on to Any Other Business, the last item on the agenda. We have one item under this, which is the fiscal year '19 additional budget request. If there is anything else, please raise your hand so that I can put you in the queue.

Silvia, I assume you're going to speak on this. Please go ahead. Can you please mute your mics? If you're not speaking, kindly mute your mics. There's a lot of noise. Silvia, we can't hear you. Are you muted?

SILVIA VIVANCO:

Yes, sorry. I'm sorry, [inaudible] can you please – there's a lot of noise. [inaudible] if you be so kind please.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

I can't hear you at all.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Can you hear me?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Barely.

SATISH BABU: Yes, we can just about hear you.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes, okay, I'll try to speak loudly. As you may have seen, there was an announcement already sent to the mailing list, and a submission that [inaudible] period for Fiscal Year '19 Additional Budget Request has just started on December [the 5th] and will end 31st of January, so [it is in progress].

The representative of the FBSC have sent a notice to all the RALOs to start compiling requests, and I believe the wiki page – I'm looking at it, there are already tables to start posting requests from the ALAC and the RALOs. So as you know, this is a process whereby there are certain criteria as posted already.

Outreach should not be a major focus, activities to improve engagement in [inaudible] members is encouraged. So there is a series of bullets there that you can see is criteria to start putting together a request. So everyone is encouraged to please start thinking about what projects would be interesting for you to have funded by this additional budget request for the fiscal year '19. The submissions will to ICANN on the 31st

of January, so there's some time for everybody to put together a request. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thank you, Silvia. Yes, Ali, please go ahead.

ALI ALMESHAL: Thanks, Satish. Yes, I would encourage anyone who has any [inaudible]

SILVIA VIVANCO: We lost sound.

SATISH BABU: Ali, we have lost you.

ALI ALMESHAL: Request to start preparing it right now and sending it to the APRALO leadership team so we can look into it, evaluate, and be ready ahead of time for submitting our request. There will be a [inaudible] as we have used last year for what is it about, justification, [inaudible] RALO leadership team, and we will [take care of it]. Thank you.

SATISH BABU: Thanks very much, Ali. So with that, we come to the end of the agenda, and we are one minute after the time of the call. Are there any other burning issues that anybody would like to raise? Not seeing any hands and noting that this is the holiday season, on behalf of the leadership

team I'd like to wish everybody happy holidays and happy new year, and happy Christmas to everyone who's celebrating it. We have covered a lot today, and we will continue to follow up on these issues. Please enjoy your holidays, and see you in January.

Over to you, Evin, to close the call.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: Satish.

EVIN ERDOGDU: Thank you all. Thank you, Satish. This call is now adjourned. Thank you very much for your participation, and have a wonderful rest of your day. Bye.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Thank you.

CHERYL LANGDON-ORR: Thank you, everybody. Bye for now.

SILVIA VIVANCO: Thank you. Happy holidays, everyone. Bye.

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