

A brief update for the month of October 2018, from the APRALO perspective



APRALO Newsletter, October 2018

ICANN63 Update



The ICANN63 Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held in Barcelona from 20-25 October 2018. The meeting was attended by over 2,360 participants, of which there were 41 ICANN Fellows and 15 NexGen participants, including 23 Newcomers. There were over 300 sessions during the AGM. Apart from sessions for newcomers, internal sessions for each SO/AC, and cross community discussions, there were sessions related to New gTLD Subsequent Procedures, Geographic Names and GDPR/WHOIS.

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During ICANN63, the ALAC passed (7) Actions, including an update to their Rules of Procedures (RoPs). See [ALAC Actions in ICANN63](#). Maureen Hilyard (APRALO) assumed her role as ALAC

Chair at the conclusion of the ICANN63 AGM. Alan Greenberg (NARALO) stepped down after four years in the role.

The High-Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM) organized by the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) took place on 22 October and hosted 124 high level government delegates. The delegates discussed issues such as:

- Opportunities for government in ICANN post-IANA transition;
- Cybercrime, data protection and privacy;
- The role and impact of Internet technological evolution on ICANN; and
- The global digital agenda and Internet policies.

See latest outcomes, sights and sounds from ICANN63 on the [At-Large website](#).

See At-Large ICANN63 sessions, agenda and slideshows [here](#).

ICANN Update

Apart from the successful conclusion of ICANN63 at Barcelona, in October ICANN:

- Successfully completed the [First Root KSK Rollover on 16 October](#);
- Solicited proposals from [suppliers qualified to provide global shipping](#) and logistics services for the tri-annual ICANN meetings (29 October), and [Emergency Back-End Registry Operator \(EBERO\)](#) services (3 December);
- [Opened registration for the ICANN Academy 2019 Leadership Program](#) (8 November) and for the [2019 Chairing Skills Program \(CSP\)](#) (21 December);
- Issued a call for SOs/ACs to [Nominate Fellowship Program Mentors](#) (14 November).

At-Large/ALAC Policy Comments & Advice

All of APRALO and the At-Large community are invited to contribute to ICANN public comment proceedings. For more information, please visit the [At-Large Policy Advice Development Page](#) or contact [At-Large Staff](#).

The following public comments were announced in October:

- [Proposal for Sinhala Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules](#)
- [Initial Report of the New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross-Community Working Group](#)
- [Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Review Team \(CCT\) Final Report & Recommendations](#)
- [Draft Final Report of The Second Security and Stability Advisory Committee Review \(SSAC2\)](#)
- [Supplemental Initial Report on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process \(Overarching Issues & Work Tracks 1-4\)](#)

Have your say! To contribute to ALAC public comment, please comment on the wiki space or volunteer as penholder, and join the weekly [At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group \(CPWG\)](#) meetings.

The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) ratified 2 Policy Advice Statements in October:

Next Steps on Reviews

The ALAC supports the proposed path forward for the ATRT3, while stating the consideration of how to streamline specific reviews to make them more effective and impactful is a low priority item for ATRT3. The ALAC encourages active community participation in formulating any recommendations in organizational reviews, and states that specific reviews operating standards should take a minimalist approach.

[Proposed gTLD-Registration Data Access Protocol \(RDAP\) Profile](#)

The ALAC recommends that ICANN adopt the RDAP quickly and effectively because they hold it is an essential step for ICANN to deploy a tiered-access model adequately. In addition, the ALAC recommends that ICANN address 5 ambiguities in the RDAP that are also present in the European Union's (EU) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), noting them in the statement.

In addition, the ALAC passed the [Ratification Motion on CCWG-Accountability Work Stream 2](#).

See: [At-Large Website Policy Comments & Advice](#)

See: [Consolidated Policy Working Group \(CPWG\)](#)

APAC Space Update

The meeting at ICANN63 was facilitated by Jia-Rong Low, Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement (GSE) and Managing Director, ICANN-APAC Region, who shared highlights from the 5th anniversary of ICANN APAC.

This was followed by an update on the ICANN events in 2019 in the APAC region; updates on ICANN64 to be held in Kobe, Japan (APRALO); discussions on IDNs and Universal Acceptance; and a discussion on the GDD Industry Summit. A lively community discussion followed.

In addition, the Indian Internet School of Governance met in advance of ICANN63. See the ALS Update section below for details.

ALAC Update

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The Subcommittee on Outreach and Engagement (SC on O&E) met in Barcelona, with all Co-Chairs of each of the five RALO regions, to discuss upcoming strategies and opportunities. The group met with the GSE Regional VPs to discuss closer collaboration. They also discussed plans for the 2018 IGF.

The Joint Outreach Session was very well attended, and the SC on O&E made sure all attendees received a RALO-specific brochure. The session included ICANN Newcomers, Fellows and NetGen. The aim of these recurring outreach sessions is to help these groups assimilate into ICANN, ask questions and network. See the event page for the Joint At-Large/NCUC Outreach Session on the [At-Large website](#).

Jonathan Zuck and Olivier Crepin-Leblond, Co-Chairs of the At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG), met with working group members during ICANN63. The Co-Chairs held a focused discussion on the public comment workflow, key policy activities and current open public comments. In addition, NARALO member Greg Shatan presented on the ICANN Unified Access Model and next steps. Please look at the agenda and presentations from [the most recent CPWG call](#), and join the next one during IGF Paris on [Wednesday, 14 November at 13:00 UTC](#).

In addition at ICANN63:

- Meeting of the At Large review Implementation Working Group (ARIWG) on Prioritization and Dependencies Workspace;
- Discussions on At Large Summit (ATLAS) III;
- Discussions on GDPR/WHOIS, New gTLD Subsequent Procedures, and cross community meetings with other SO/ACs, as well as the ICANN Board.
- ICANN recognized the contributions of 44 community leaders during ICANN63, including 7 from the At-Large community. See the full list [here](#).
- Members of APRALO and the APAC Hub met informally; The EURALO held their General Assembly;
- There was a leadership development session;
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The ALAC Monthly Call was held on [2 October](#) prior to ICANN63. The discussions included a review of action items from ALAC Meeting of 28 August 2018, ROP change discussions, ICANN63 agenda review and the ALAC Policy Development Activities including [2018 ALAC Policy Comments & Advice](#).

APRALO Update



APRALO members at ICANN63, October 2018

For APRALO, there were several important developments at ICANN63.

The ARIWG session was important from the point of view of future structuring of At-Large and RALOs.

The At-Large and RALO Development sessions discussed issues relating to ICANN64 at Kobe, Japan which would be in the APRALO region, as well as matters related to ATLAS III and the selection of ALSes given the significant budget cuts.

- Satish Babu, APRALO Chair

ALS Highlights

Third Edition of inSIG

The third edition of India School of Internet Governance was organised in New Delhi, India between 13-15 October. Two Day 0 events - the first India Youth IGF and the GFCE Triple-I Workshop - were also organized on 12 Oct 2018. This event was organised jointly by four APRALO ALSes, the Internet Society Chapters of Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Trivandrum.

The third edition of inSIG brought together 92 participants, including 52 Fellows from 6 countries, of which 22 were women. Thirty-three speakers from 6 countries including an ICANN Board member, a member of ISOC Board of Trustees, RALO Leadership from three of the five ICANN RALOs, the ISOC CTO, ISOC APAC representative, APNIC staff, two ICANN staff members, and several senior experts, as well as the event Secretariat.

A detailed, session-by-session report of inSIG2018, together with feedback received at the end of the session, is available as a work-in-progress document available [here](#) and pictures [here](#).



Group photo from inSIG 2018.

Day 0 Updates:

The GFCE Triple I workshop was inaugurated by Shri Ajay Prakash Sawhney, Secretary, MeitY, Govt of India, and was attended by Mr. Maarten Boterman, ICANN Board Member, and Mr. Olaf Kolkman, CTO, ISOC, among others. The event was hosted at Ministry of Electronics and IT, Government of India, and was supported by the Government of Netherlands.



Group photo from GFCE Triple I.

The first India Youth IGF, which was accorded formal approval by UN-IGF, and had over 120 participants primarily from Women in Technology, was organized at Indira Gandhi Delhi Technical University for Women (IGDTUW), Delhi. The event was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor of the University and speakers at YIGF included staff of APNIC, ICANN, ISOC, and member of inSIG organising committee, and local experts.



Group photo from First India Youth IGF.

Fourth Edition of Armenian IGF concludes successfully in Yerevan

The 4th edition of the Armenian Internet Governance Forum was held on 10 October, in Yerevan, Armenia. This event was organized by the Ministry of Transport, Communications and IT and Internet Society NGO with the support of ICANN, RIPE NCC, IGFSA, Internet Society and some local organizations.

Around 130 participants from different stakeholder groups participated in this event where the topics discussed include : Personal Data Protection. GDPR, National IDNs - .hwj; Arbitration of Settlement of Domain Name Disputes; Blockchain technologies; Sub-regional Geo-targeting of Digital Advertisement; Disability Challenges: Autism and the Society; IoT and more.

At the event, APRALO Vice Chair Lianna Galstyan shared results and best practices of IDN promotion, and highlighted on the co-operation with the Language Committee of Armenia for further steps. In addition, there was a session completely prepared by the graduates of the Armenian SIG, as well as a session dedicated to online education platforms in the Armenian language.



Armenian IGF

RALO Discretionary Funding

Through the FY19 Additional Budget Request process, each of the five RALOs has been granted \$4,000 for targeted local discretionary funds toward RALO outreach and engagement activities such as ALS read-out sessions, promotional displays and graphics and regional travel.

For more information, including the application form and criteria, please see the [related workspace](#).

Upcoming Events and Other Announcements



The next Annual Meeting of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) will be hosted by the Government of France at the headquarters of the UNESCO in Paris, France, from 12 - 14 November 2018. Please see the list of [workshops planned for the community](#).

Please see the workspace for [At-Large Outreach Activities at IGF 2018 Paris](#), and remember to [Tweet @ At-Large!](#)

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