

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT - TRACY HACKSHAW**  
**At Large (LACRALO) Nomination to the 2019 ICANN Nominating Committee**  
**(2018-19)**

I am pleased to accept the nomination by Sergio Salinas Porto for the At Large (LACRALO) seat on the 2019 ICANN Nominating Committee. I also wish to acknowledge the good wishes and support of colleagues from within LACRALO which have been offered since the nomination was made.

I have included my bio as an Appendix following my brief statement of intent below.

**Commitment**

ICANN, as organization, is operating within most challenging times. The ICANN organization should be sensitive and responsive to the dynamics and diversity found within the ICANN Community, and to do this, the ICANN Leadership - at all levels - should seek to reflect, as best as possible, that dynamism and diversity within its community.

The role of the Nominating Committee, and indeed, of its members, is to, at a minimum, recognize these challenges and if possible, ensure that the new ICANN Leadership resources it ultimately recruits and selects are able to adequately meet, and ideally overcome these challenges.

I commit, upon election by the LACRALO membership, to consult with and solicit inputs from the At Large Leadership and membership, particularly the LACRALO Leadership and membership on the specific characteristics and attributes that incoming ICANN Leadership resources should possess, and to work within the NomCom in the spirit of consensus to ensure that I am able to select ICANN Leadership resources that the At Large community, and in particular, the Latin American and Caribbean At Large community can trust and have confidence in.

## **Appendix - Biography**

Tracy Hackshaw is an ICT and Digital Economy Strategist possessing close to twenty-five (25) years' local, regional and international experience spanning work in the public and private sectors where he has been integrally involved in the design and implementation of several globally recognized award-winning initiatives such as [SurePay](#), [tconnect](#), [TTBizLink](#), and [Star.tt](#). Tracy has represented Trinidad & Tobago in various international forums, including at the 2016 [G77 Meeting of Experts on ICTs and Sustainable Development for South-South Cooperation](#), the Executive Management Committee of the [Commonwealth Cybercrime Initiative](#), a two-year term as Vice Chair of [ICANN's Governmental Advisory Committee](#) (GAC), and Small Island Developing States (SIDS) annual workshop coordination at the [United Nations Internet Governance Forum](#).

With respect to his ICANN volunteer work, following his two year term as Vice Chair of the GAC, Tracy was asked to Co-Chair the GAC Under-served Regions Working Group focusing on capacity building within developing and emerging economies primarily in the Africa, Caribbean and Pacific regions, and to take the Lead on the GAC Technology Task Force, charged with the redevelopment and redeployment of the GAC's website on a new ICANN web platform. He also responded to the call to participate as a Community Mentor in [ICANN's Pilot Community Onboarding Program](#), a role which he performed from [ICANN 55](#) through to [ICANN 59](#), handing over the Mentorship mantle to his graduating, fully onboarded mentee at the end of the Johannesburg meeting.

Tracy has been appointed to several National Committees and Task Forces, including most recently the Inter-Ministerial Committee For The Review Of The Electronic Transfer Of Funds (Crime) Act, the National Technical Advisory Committee on Electronic Transactions, the Task Force On The Acquisition By Cable And Wireless Communications of Columbus International, and the Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago's National Payments Council. In addition to professional leadership roles in the Ministries of Science & Technology, Public Administration and [Planning & Development](#) and [iGovTT](#), among several other entities and organisations, Tracy has conducted Academic Teaching and Research work at the [DiploFoundation/University of Malta](#), where he is currently a member of their Teaching and Research Faculty and at [The University of the West Indies](#), where he received a 1st Class Honours Degree in Sociology & Psychology. Since graduation, Tracy has continued his postgraduate learning path at [Royal Holloway College, University of London](#), at the [National University of Singapore \(e-Government Leadership Centre, Institute of Systems Science\)](#), and is currently pursuing further studies in Entrepreneurship at the [Arthur Lok Jack Global School of Business](#).

He is a Director of the [Trinidad & Tobago Multistakeholder Advisory Group](#), which convened the inaugural [Trinidad & Tobago Internet Governance Forum](#) in January 2017. Tracy is the founding Vice Chair of the [Internet Society Trinidad & Tobago Chapter](#) and was elected its Chair in 2017.

Most recently in 2018, and following his second year (2016-17) serving as Internet Society Expert Moderator and Coach/Mentor to ISOC's [Youth@IGF](#), Tracy was asked to serve on the Board of the [Digital Grassroots Youth Initiative](#).

Key Socials: [LinkedIn](#). [Twitter](#). [Instagram](#). [Google+](#)