
CLAUDIA GLANDON: Good morning, good afternoon and good evening. Welcome to the EURALO taskforce on ALS engagement call held on Thursday, the 27th of September, 2018 at 17:00 UTC.

On today's call, we have Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Yrjö Lansipuro, and Anne-Marie Joly Bachollet. We have apologies noted from Silvia Vivanco and also just received apologies from Erich Schweighofer. From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich and myself, Andrea Glandon on call management. I would like to remind everyone to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes and to please keep your phones and microphones on mute when not speaking to avoid any background noise. Thank you, and over to you, Yrjö.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Thank you, Andrea, and welcome from my side also to all participants, who are very few, but I guess we can still take up the important points on the agenda, and whatever we decide, that of course should be ratified by the EURALO board, and also on the mailing list we can circulate our decisions or proposals.

The agenda is actually rather short. The two main items, two big items here are the CROP travel slots, and then the other one is the use of EURALO discretionary funds, the EURALO activities at ICANN 63 and at IGF Paris in November. But I think that the main and most urgent items are really the CROP travel slots and the discretionary funds.

So, agenda point two, CROP travel slots. Two of them, and the first question is which events we think that they should be used to. Olivier, please.

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OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. Thanks very much, Yrjö. So, I was going to ask for the floor just to explain quickly then for the record, in the past year, we had five CROP slots. This year, it's been reduced to three, and the first CROP slot had to be used for an ICANN meeting. There was no choice, and so with the short amount of time that we had and with the fact that Sandra Hoferichter was looking at moving forward, I asked the EURALO board, I proposed that we fund Sandra to come to the ICANN meeting. It's for four days and three nights, and so she's partly funding some of her stay in Barcelona, and she will help specifically on all the outreach, [and I think that she was on] before.

So there are now two remaining slots that we can only use on ICANN-accredited meetings. They're not really ICANN-accredited, but meetings that ICANN has a direct involvement in. Now, if you look at the EURALO outreach strategic plan, which is linked for reference in the agenda, we had listed a whole number of potential meetings where we should send someone or we could send someone using CROP.

And one of the things is at the time, we still were under the assumption that there were five CROP slots. So we are going to have to choose among these meetings which ones to go for. And I wanted to briefly go through each of these and let you know if these would actually work within the new rules of being an ICANN-accredited meeting.

The first one, of course, ICANN 63 in Barcelona, we've already mentioned. The next one is the Internet Governance Week Brussels. My understanding is that ICANN will be proposing a workshop there.

However, it looks as though they're not going to be a main organizer, so it might not qualify.

And this is one of the big question marks, because the rule was set by the people running the CROP, but they didn't explain to the Global Stakeholder Engagement team what they meant. So, having spoken to Adam Peake and to Jean-Jacques Sahel from the local Global Stakeholder Engagement team, they said they didn't think that the Internet Governance Week Brussels was going to fit under the CROP rules as being something that we could use.

The next one is the Eastern European DNS Forum, and that's in Moscow in Russia, and at the moment, it's – and they were already saying it looks unlikely that we would have a CROP slot for this event, and indeed, ICANN is not directly involved in this.

The Computers, Privacy and Data Protection, CPDP, taking place in Brussels as well apparently is also not something that ICANN is supporting directly, so again. EuroSSIG, that's the Summer School of Internet governance, that is, again, although ICANN is supporting this, it's not really a conference for outreach per se, it's the Summer School on Internet Governance, and I think that we probably would be using the slot better for someone else or something else than this, because we've already had – well, I certainly teach, and of course, Sandra Hoferichter is running the school, and there's several people from At-Large who are already there.

re:publica is something that Matias Hudobnik attended last year, and he was really positive about it in saying maybe we should go and have a

CROP slot for this. It's still unknown as to whether this would qualify with Global Stakeholder Engagement, because although they have seen and they are interested in this, they haven't made a decision on it yet. The good thing about it though is that it only takes place from the 6th to the 8th of May, 2019, so it's quite some distance away, so we still have some time to try and find out whether we should send someone or not, bearing in mind we also have people already on the ground in – Annette Mühlberg is in Berlin, and I think we have a couple of other people that are already on the ground in Berlin.

The idea for re:publica is to actually go further than just attending it since Matias attended it last year and he was a little bit, what do you call it – well, he just sort of attended a number of sessions and so on but didn't really make much of an impact over there. The idea would be to try and have a session and prepare a session over there. So that's still on the cards, but not 100% sure.

EuroDIG 2019 will take place in the Netherlands this year, and that's something which I believe is supported by ICANN. Certainly saw Adam Peake at EuroDIG 2019 – well, for the preparation of EuroDIG, so ICANN is involved in this. SEEDIG is also – that's the South Eastern Dialogue on Internet Governance, that could be something we might wish to consider. We've never sent anyone to SEEDIG. We sent some people to EuroDIG in past years, but never anyone to SEEDIG. And then RightsCon is not taking place in the area this year, so there's no chance of having RightsCon in there.

So that's where we are now. I think that looking carefully at this, we really have a choice between re:publica, EuroDIG and SEEDIG, and I

don't think we have any other chance. The other thing worth mentioning was perhaps the Domains Forum which is run by ICANN, and that is something which we might consider, although there is a question mark today as to whether At-Large are allowed to go in the Domains Forum, because that's run by the GDD, Global Domains Division. GDD Summit is what it's called. And I'm still not sure, I still haven't got a full answer on that. And perhaps Heidi, who I believe is in on the call, might be able to tell us whether that's possible or not. I hope I haven't confused you too much. That's it. Thanks.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Hi, Olivier. No, I would need to look into that. And that's probably something that you wish to check with Jean-Jacques over myself. I believe that the GSE, your regional VP would be the one that would have that final say.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND:

I've spoken with Adam Peake about this, and he doesn't see any barrier to it. The concern that I have regarding that is because it's the GDD summit, so it's all people that are involved in domain names. I don't quite know what outreach we can do in a conference that deals with people who buy and sell domains or registries and registrars.

HEIDI ULLRICH:

Yeah.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I just find it a little strange. But that's it from me.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: So, did I get it correctly? That's the IGF, the global IGF? Is that a possibility also?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. Thank you for reminding me this, Yrjö. When the strategic outreach plan was drafted, the global IGF, I think, had not been – or the location of the global IGF had not been released, so there was no confirmation that it was going to take place in Europe. You're absolutely correct, I'm sorry for forgetting this. There would be a possibility to go for the local IGF, because I understand that ICANN is supporting the global IGF financially. So they are involved with the global IGF. And that's from my understanding.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. Thank you. Heidi, your hand is up. Is that a new hand?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes. Thank you, Yrjö. So on the question of the GDD summit, I'm aware that Glenn McKnight attended the one in Canada last year, and you can read his reports and he found that not particularly crucial for outreach and engagement activities, just given the reason that Olivier has noted. It's more of a technical meeting versus anything where people – yeah, so thanks very much.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. Thank you. So, I think that the choice, we really have four, a shortlist of four events. This would be the global IGF, the re:publica, the EuroDIG, and SEEDIG. Is this... Yes. I see that actually Olivier has written that also in the chat. So now, we should choose where we can put our two CROP slots. Any opinions? Anne-Marie, are you... You're voiceless. You can write in the chat.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yrjö?

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. Heidi, please.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Just while Anne-Marie is writing, just to let you know that in addition to those two CROP slots remaining, EURALO currently also has still almost \$3000 in available funds under the RALO discretionary funding. So, while I would urge you not to use all of those funds for travel-related, you could use a bit more there. So, that would likely cover at least one or so of the other of those four shortlists. So you could cover, for example, two with CROP and then one or so with the RALO discretionary funding.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. Thank you, Heidi. Yeah, that's also on my mind, that actually, at least four central European locations like Amsterdam for EuroDIG and re:publica, Berlin, actually, some people could participate with just partial funding, which could be taken from the discretionary fund.

But now, Anne-Marie says, "Yes, I think that we can choose global IGF and EuroDIG." So, Wale, what is your opinion? Wale, can you hear me?

CLAUDIA GLANDON: Wale, are you –

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Can you –

CLAUDIA GLANDON: Oh, he can't talk right now.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. Yeah. "Yes, but can't talk now." Alright. Yes, Wale, if you can just write in the chat the two events that you think that we should prepare. While we're waiting for Wale's contribution to the chat, Olivier, what do you think? Global IGF and EuroDIG have been proposed by Anne-Marie. What is your view?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Thanks very much, Yrjö. So, I've been thinking long and hard about this, and of course, one of the reasons why I wanted this meeting

to take place is to actually get some direction, because I myself am quite confused. Well, not confused, but in that it's not an easy one to choose from.

Regarding re:publica, I think that the aim, from what we saw last year, is if we just send one person to re:publica, they are not going to be able to, by themselves, make any impact in re:publica. It's a huge conference, and I was under the impression perhaps that this year, we could send two people to re:publica. But that's of course when we still had the five CROP slots.

Now we only have three, and two remaining, so it's not much. And sending the two to re:publica seems to be a little bit of a longshot as such, because at the same time, we're not 100% sure that ICANN will support re:publica, especially in light of the recent budget cuts where there has been a real questioning of whether ICANN should support anything that's not directly related to the ICANN mandate, and re:publica certainly is not directly related to the ICANN mandate.

So that reduces it to the global IGF, EuroDIG and SEEDIG, and if we can play with the EURALO discretionary funds, I guess the big difference between a CROP slot and EURALO discretionary funds is that the discretionary funds have a certain amount that goes with them. I think Heidi said it was about \$3000 that are left on this, while the CROP travel slots have a limit of four days and three nights.

So looking at the size of the meetings, of the global IGF, the EuroDIG and the SEEDIG, the one that seems to be the longest out of these

meetings is the global IGF. I think the EuroDIG is two days. I believe SEEDIG is also two days, and the global IGF is three days.

And therefore, I would say that we would certainly take at least one of the crop slots for global IGF, and then it's a question as to which one of EuroDIG and SEEDIG do we use as CROP and which one do we propose as CROP and which one do we propose as discretionary funds. And I would have thought that traveling to SEEDIG is more expensive than traveling to the EuroDIG, which in the Netherlands, there is a lot of low-cost airlines and so on that go over to EuroDIG.

The only thing though, and this is something I have not calculated, that points in the opposite direction, is it might be that the hotels in SEEDIG are less expensive than the hotels in EuroDIG, which is in the Hague, and hotels are notoriously expensive there. So that's my thinking at the moment. I know that Sébastien's also joined, and I'd be really interested in hearing from Sébastien. From Wale as well. Thanks.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO:

Yes. Thank you, Olivier. Sébastien writes in the chat that global IGF is in Europe, we need to have as much EURALO member participants. So, it seems to me that, well, to say what I'm thinking, I think that the global IGF should be – at least one slot should be allocated for the global IGF.

And then of course, there are different ways to spend the second slot, but one consideration could be that both EuroDIG and re:publica are in places which are quite easily accessible from other European cities, and they could perhaps be handled with the discretionary funds.

Could we agree that at least one slot would be used for the global IGF?
Those who are on the Adobe Connect, perhaps you could indicate using
these tools you have. Wale –

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yrjö, I see also that Wale – go ahead. I think you see it too. Four ticks.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. So –

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay, so we have four ticks for the global IGF, and we have three ticks
for SEEDIG. So those are the majority for the CROP.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. So, one for IGF, and then there was three for SEEDIG. These green
ticks are [inaudible] for using the second slot for SEEDIG, right? Okay, so
let's take a step back. We have agreed that one slot will be Paris. There
was support for SEEDIG, but as Olivier said, there's no idea so far where
the SEEDIG will be. But anyway, I think we should know that it is
somewhere in southeastern Europe.

Now, there's a possibility, of course, the only urgent thing now is IGF,
because if we want to have somebody –

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yrjö, Heidi has her hand up.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Pardon?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Heidi has her hand up.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yes. Just to finish, if we want to have somebody there, we should make [that decision pretty soon.] The other slots, we can actually wait with that and to see, for instance, where the SEEDIG is going to be. Heidi, please.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Yrjö. So, I just wanted to raise the point that, again, this year, the time required to submit a CROP request has gone up by five days. It is now essentially seven weeks. It's six weeks plus five days for regional VP concurrent. So given that IGF is about seven and a half weeks away, I would urge you to [inaudible] for that CROP trip and to have that person submit their request, likely this week, or at the very latest, early next week to ensure that slot is taken care of.

Also, I believe that the deadline for the slots or the group of rooms that ICANN was reserving has expired, so it would be likely a different hotel than the other covered travelers. Thank you.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO:

Okay. Thank you, Heidi. And perhaps what we can do is now we decide on one of these slots, that is IGF Paris, and we wait with the other slot until we know where SEEDIG will be held. Also, we can note that we can use the discretionary funds for re:publica and EuroDIG. But now, I think the most urgent thing is actually to decide the method how we select the person going to IGF, to the global IGF in Paris. And as we just heard, we just have a few days, virtually, to make that decision and to indicate the name to ICANN. Any suggestions how we select that person? Sébastien, please.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Yes. Yrjö, thank you very much. It's not to answer really your question, but I suggest that you and Olivier start immediately to ask for this slot for the IGF. In parallel, we set up the way we want to select. I don't know, we have so much subgroup doing selection, and at the end of the day, it's the chair deciding. We may go directly to the chair and ask him. It might be more efficient.

For some people, we are still waiting for the names, and I am very disappointed with all those selections process. But generally speaking, I think we need to open a call for candidates, and then somebody has to decide who will be the one selected. And I have ideas of people who could be very good to come to IGF and who are not yet so much linked with all the work done by EURALO up to date, but it could be a [wait.]

But as you can understand, I will not need any CROP at least for my metro train ticket from Versailles to [inaudible].

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. Olivier, you have an idea how we could make a quick selection? Would it be possible, for instance, to send virtually now, today, tomorrow, a group e-mail to the ALSes and to independent members and asking, requesting those who would like to get the slots to indicate their interest within the couple of days?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Thanks, Yrjö. I note what Sébastien has mentioned in the chat and suggested that maybe we should file for a CROP slot as soon as possible. And I think that's a very wise thing to do. The problem is that we usually need to put a name to it. But what we can do is to file for a CROP slot today and say that the name will come in early – well, sometime next week.

What I would suggest – yeah, we're actually past the six weeks and five days. What can we do, Heidi? It's just impossible to beat the time for these things.

HEIDI ULLRICH: It is, yeah.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: We have to produce requests in 48 hours, and then six weeks with nothing happening. And it could be the difference between a ticket at 100€ or 150€. I'm not ready to kill my health for this. But the bottom line is if we can send out today a call for candidates, if anybody – I guess just the candidates can send a letter of what their interest is and how

they can help with the outreach at the IGF, and then we get the board to decide it by [secret ballot] vote sometime next week.

I don't think we have enough time to discuss it on the board and have another conference call and things, because everyone is so busy and we always get three people out of ten. So a little difficult. So if we want to send someone, we already inform CROP staff today, and then we submit the name of the person by the Wednesday or the Thursday next week.

If we send out a call for interest and for people to include in there texts about how they can help with the outreach at the IGF in Paris, then we can get the board to make the selection, let's say on a 24-hour vote between Wednesday and Thursday next week.

So we basically open the call for selection today, close it on Monday night, let's say, and then open a vote on Monday night and close it 48 hours later and hopefully, we've got the name of the person coming out at the other end. I don't know of any other way to do it, and if you have a better idea, then please suggest it.

I must say these selection things have been probably one of the most stressful things to do as EURALO chair, because we always have so little time to make selections, and unfortunately, there are just so few slots, so very few people getting selected at the end. Thanks.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO:

Thank you, Olivier. Yeah, this sounds to me the only sensible way to do it. I'm happy if we can, like Heidi said, submit a form today and select

the person next week. That is the way we can now, today, indicate the one slot for the IGF, and then do this selection process in the fastest possible way. Sébastien, please.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Thank you, Yrjö. I have [inaudible]. I would like to suggest that maybe we can have a 15-minute call of the board of EURALO next week and choose the people. We don't need 24 hours. And if there are difficulties, the chair will act as a chair and will make the final decision. Even if there are people unhappy, they will be unhappy, but as we have now U.N. process within ICANN when it's six weeks plus five days plus I don't know what to decide that we will send people from one place in Europe to another place is just crazy. We are really becoming an intergovernmental organization. Let's try to find something easy. The people who can participate, a 15-minute call next week, and do the choice and we will win some time. That's an alternative proposal. Thank you.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Thank you, Sébastien. Frankly, I don't know if it's possible to schedule the call at this short notice so that we could have more participants for that. and personally, I think that the consultation of the EURALO board by e-mail would be faster. What do you think, Olivier?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Thanks, Yrjö.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Sorry –

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Can you hear me? Yeah. I'm happy, Yrjö, to go either way. We could always do a vote, we could always have a call, and if we have enough people on the call, then we can make a decision there and then on the spot. If there are not enough people on the call, then we can launch a 48-hour vote immediately afterwards. So if we [schedule] a call for 2:00 in the evening for example and just set a time, say, it's going to be a 20-minute call or a 15-minute call, people don't need to be in front of their laptops, I think, just be on their phone, then that could be fine too. [inaudible] 2nd of October.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yeah. Sébastien, please.

SÉBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Yeah, Yrjö, I understand your point, but just take into account that democracy is very good, but when you don't have any chance and it's just to vote, you vote with which argument, "I prefer this person because they have white hair, red hair or blue eyes," and that's it. Sometimes, an exchange with different point of view could be – I know that it's about people, but could have some sense.

For example, we could have a vote on re:publica, EuroDIG, SEEDIG and global IGF. I don't know if we would end up with the same results. Now we have a discussion and some people may have changed their point of view. I really think that if I am in ICANN, it's not just to send a vote, it's

to have a discussion on the topic before, even if it's a short one.
[inaudible]. Sorry. Thank you.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Thank you, Sébastien. I'm not against a call, I'm just worried about whether that will be practically possible. But Olivier suggested a 15-minute call Thursday night. Can I ask Heidi, would that be possible to organize?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. A 15-minute call, of course, we could do it. We would need to send – would you want to send a Doodle out for that? That would slow things down. Today is Thursday, so if we did a Doodle today or tomorrow, that would not give much time. But my concern with that, we wouldn't have very many people on the call.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yeah. Okay, but let's try it anyway. And if there aren't enough people in the call, then as Olivier suggested, there will be just this other silent procedure that is via e-mail, and 24 hours' time to reply. And so Sébastien, the usual time slot on [Tuesday,] what would that be?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Andrea, are you able to look at what time the EURALO call normally is, UTC time?

CLAUDIA GLANDON: Yeah.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Is that – okay, 20 ECT. Is that UTC?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: It's 18:00 UTC, I think.

HEIDI ULLRICH: 18:00 UTC. Thank you so much.

CLAUDIA GLANDON: That's correct. Yeah.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. Andrea, is there anything else scheduled at that time right now?
Can you take a look?

CLAUDIA GLANDON: On Tuesday the 2nd, correct?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Correct.

CLAUDIA GLANDON: Yes. Currently, I'm not showing anything else scheduled at 18:00 UTC.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay, so if you all agree, that means that we would be able to save some time. We would not do a Doodle, and we would just have it for 18:00, a very brief call of the EURALO board.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: That sounds fine. If everybody...

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. Alright. Thank you. So, actually, we already discussed the EURALO discretionary funds, the use for the – possibly for the EuroDIG and for the re:publica. And then we come back to the second CROP slot when we know when the SEEDIG will be. Heidi asks, “What happens if there is no quorum?” Well, then there would be a sort of silent procedure via e-mail in 24 hours’ time to answer.

So, we could then go to agenda point – Olivier, please.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yes. Thank you, Yrjö. Just wanted to check then with staff, are staff going to send the invitations then for the board call on Tuesday? First question. Second question, are staff going to send the call for candidates to the EURALO list?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes to both. Thank you. So again, that would be for one CROP slot to the global IGF. And would you like an EOI? How would you like them to nominate and to submit their candidature?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: I'd say an EOI explaining – I think the most important – we know most of the people in EURALO. Maybe the important thing is they write what is their interest, what do they want to do at the IGF to do outreach, so then they're committing to something and then we can hold them accountable to it when they go to the IGF and they actually do what they propose doing. That might be the big difference between the different participants. And [inaudible] I've taken into account what Sébastien was saying, otherwise, we would have the same people. So it'd be good to get some interesting EOIs as such. That's what I would propose, I don't know if anybody else has a different idea. Thanks.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. So, can we go to agenda point four? EURALO at ICANN 63.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: [inaudible]

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Yeah. Okay, so action items, you can see them in that [column,] and [inaudible] our candidate for the IGF name in time. Okay, so could you go now to the agenda point four? EURALO at ICANN 63. Olivier, you have anything on that?

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, Yrjö. So, as you know, there's going to be – or as you might not know, I really don't know how far the news went – a joint NCUC/At-Large session, capacity building and outreach session on Monday morning after the opening ceremony that will take place in Barcelona.

And I felt that because it is the EURALO region, we need to get more people from EURALO to take part in this. There's a first draft of the agenda that Tatiana Tropina and I have put together. We're now sharing it with a very small group of people from NCUC and At-Large, basically some of the co-chairs of the Outreach and Engagement working group. But I'd like to open this up to get more input, and certainly volunteers to speak and take part in this from the EURALO region since we are primarily here looking at trying to get more people involved in our region, and this is Barcelona.

So I just wanted to point this out to you, and I was going to send a link, later this week probably, to the Google doc that has the agenda in there so that we're dealing both with engagement and outreach at the same

time. I'm hoping that we get both participants and people who are able to speak about specific topics. And that's effectively the main thing.

There is going to be a general assembly that will take place on the Wednesday, I believe. Staff, please correct me if I'm wrong, I'm doing this all from memory. And that's the EURALO general assembly that will go through the usual motions. The agenda is currently being worked on, but it's nothing really breathtaking. I'll just do the usual report on what we've done in the past year, and then a couple of other items. And if you have any suggestions as to what we could discuss in there, please suggest those.

And then thirdly, I'm currently in discussions with Peter Van Roste from CENTR. CENTR is the organization of country code top-level domains in Europe, and all the regions have signed MOUs with their ccTLD organizations equivalent to CENTR. And so it's been quite a while that we've been in discussions for this, and things are finally moving.

The first step is to have EURALO join as an observer of CENTR, and I got the green light or support from the EURALO board to proceed forward with this, so as we speak, I think probably tomorrow, I shall send the signed – I've received a form to fill out, I've filled it out, I signed it, I just need to send it with a cover letter and reasons why we want to join CENTR.

There's then a meeting taking place on the 10th of October in Brussels, the CENTR annual general meeting, and I've also gotten the green light to do a day trip to Brussels to go and basically just present and sign again in front of the CENTR members. And that opens the door to us

being able to sign an MoU with CENTR in Barcelona, and that, I propose, we could do at the end of our general assembly.

There are two options. One is at the end of the general assembly, the other is at the end of the European stakeholders meeting. The concern that I have is the European stakeholders meeting is clashing with some ALAC things, and it's in the middle of the day, whilst the EURALO general assembly is at the end of the day, and so we could get just a few refreshment after signing the MoU. I just wanted to let you know about this since this is all about inreach and outreach.

The aim really to work with CENTR is to continue on the path of one ALS in every country, and we're still far from this goal in Europe. And CENTR, thankfully, has members in those countries that we do not have any representation in. So if we can leverage their involvement and get some introductions from them, that would be really helpful for us, hopefully, in the long run. And they're interested in collaborating. [That's all I needed to say about this.] Thank you.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO:

Thank you, Olivier. This is an important step. Any questions, any comments? We are soon out of time, so going to agenda point five, At-Large outreach activities at IGF 2018 in Paris. I think that we should come back to that when we know who actually are going to be in Paris for that meeting, so we don't need to talk about that now. Is there Any Other Business? Hearing nothing – yes, Olivier, please.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Sorry – go ahead, Olivier.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Yeah. Thanks, Yrjö. Just one quick thing to say, I agree with you, let's talk about this further in a future call or by e-mail. I was just going to say I sent an e-mail to the EURALO members to find out as a first step who's going to be in Paris, and I gather it was going to be either self-funded or already there, or is funded by the organization. And hopefully, once we've got a number of people there, we can get some volunteers for the booth that At-Large is getting.

We will be sharing this booth with the – I think, is it the Bitcoin or blockchain? Special interest group of ISOC. I wasn't too sure about this sharing thing to start with, but it seems that – well, it was this or nothing, basically, and it probably was a good thing to actually have some representation there. That's all. Thanks.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Thank you, Olivier. Heidi, please.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thank you very much, Yrjö. Just to ask to please do take a look at the link I've just put into the chat and post any workshops or panels that you will be on at the IGF. Also, if you are going to go to the IGF, please do consider signing up for the booth, the joint At-Large-ISOC booth as Olivier mentioned.

On that link I've put into the chat, there is another link that brings you to the signup sheet for that booth, and also, there will be a good selection of RALO brochures in all of the language versions that those brochures come in. So we'll have ALAC, as well as all of the five RALOs with brochures, we'll have a nice pin, and some stickers as well. Thank you.

YRJÖ LANSIPURO: Okay. Thank you, Heidi. Any other issues? If not, we can end this call short at the top of the hour. So, thank you very much, and this coming week, we will proceed with this CROP slot as decided – as planned. Thank you. Bye.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Thanks, everyone. Bye.

OLIVIER CRÉPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you, Yrjö. [inaudible]

CLAUDIA GLANDON: Thank you. That concludes today's conference. Please remember to disconnect all lines, and have a wonderful rest of your day.

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