Individual Membership - AFRALO ROP Review

AFRALO Unaffiliated Individual Member Application Form

AFRALO Rules of Procedures, edits including Individual membership, approved on September 6, 2017

French version - Principes de Fonctionnement, 6 Septembre 2017

AFRALO Individual Membership Proposal is approved! AFRALO members voted and approved the recommendation to accept Non-affiliated individuals as AFRALO members. To see the results of the vote, see HERE.

BACKGROUND:

FINAL VERSION APPROVED by VOTE by 94.59 of members on July 30

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2. The unaffiliated members must submit an affirmation to At-Large Staff indicating that they meet the following criteria:
   · Being a permanent resident of one of the African countries
   · Being not a member of a certified ALS.
   · Accepting the AFRALO Operating Principles and the ALAC RoP
   · Being subscribed to the AFRI-Discuss list,
   · Being active in the local Internet end users community
3. Ceasing to meet any of the above criteria terminates unaffiliated membership.
4. The Unaffiliated members are encouraged to join one of the certified ALSes of their country or create their own association and go through the regular process of ALS certification.
5. The Unaffiliated members are encouraged to collaborate closely with AFRALO ALSes in their country of residence.
6. The Unaffiliated members participate in all the AFRALO activities including but not limited to:
   · Attending the AFRALO face to face and virtual meetings,
   · Participating in and/or initiating debates
   · Proposing views, activities or projects
   · Etc.

Nevertheless, they don’t participate in any kind of decision making in AFRALO.

7. The individual membership issue will be reviewed by or before 2 years after implementation to reconsider the rights and duties of unaffiliated members in light of the experience gained during initial trial.

VERSION (En)

Wednesday 28 June 2017

Presentation

In the ICANN bylaws, it is mentioned that unaffiliated individuals may become member of the RALO if it is stipulated in the MoU signed between the RALO and ICANN.

The AFRALO MoU with ICANN says in its article 2-C:

We declare that every interested citizen or resident in our region is welcome to join at least one of our At-Large Structures. We will also allow individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within our Geographic Region to become Members of the RALO.
So, we committed to allow for unaffiliated individuals to become member of AFRALO

Today, 3 of the 5 RALOs allow for unaffiliated members (NARALO, APRALO and EURALO)

The first At-Large review recommended to promote the individual membership, and the report of reviewers of the second review recommends to transform At-Large in an individual members only through their EMM model.

The working group discussed the individual membership, taking advantage of the experience of the 3 RALOs that adopted this concept. There was a strong push back from the majority of the WG members for the following reasons:

- The main mission of a RALO is to:
  - Bring the opinions and views of the regional end users’ community to ICANN
  - Inform the regional end users’ community about ICANN mission, policy and activities.
- The individuals will have very limited ability to assume this responsibility compared to the ALSes that can better assume it through their members
- An individual member isn’t accountable to anyone but himself, while an ALS representative is accountable to his ALS
- As individual member, anyone can come and ask to be AFRALO member. How to proof that he/she is not sent by an entity who has political interests (Government), financial interests (DNS industry), etc.

After a long debate, the WG ended up with accepting the individual members, but rejected to give them any ability for decision making. This was accepted to be tried for an year, and then reconsider the issue according to the result of the one year experience.

**Recommendation**

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**FINAL VERSION (Fr)**

Mercredi 28 Juin 2017

**Présentation**

Dans les statuts de l'ICANN, il est mentionné que les individus non affiliés peuvent devenir membres du RALO si ceci est stipulé dans le MoU signé entre le RALO et l'ICANN.

Le MoU d’AFRALO avec ICANN dit dans son article 2-C:

Nous déclarons que tous les citoyens intéressés ou résidents de notre région sont invités à rejoindre au moins une de nos structures At-Large. Nous permettrons également aux utilisateurs individuels d’Internet qui sont des citoyens ou des résidents de pays de notre région géographique de devenir Membres du RALO.

Nous nous sommes engagés à ce que les personnes non affiliées deviennent membres de AFRALO

Aujourd'hui, 3 des 5 RALO acceptent les membres non affiliés (NARALO, APRALO et EURALO)

La première évaluation At-Large a recommandé de promouvoir l'adhésion individuelle, et le rapport des examinateurs de la deuxième revue recommande de transformer At-Large en membres individuels uniquement par le biais de son modèle EMM.

Le groupe de travail a discuté de l'adhésion individuelle, en profitant de l'expérience des 3 RALO qui ont adopté ce concept. La majorité des membres du Groupe de Travail se sont fortement opposés pour les raisons suivantes:

- La mission principale d'un RALO est de:
  - Transmettre les opinions et intérêts de la communauté géographique des utilisateurs finaux à ICANN
  - Informer la communauté régionale des utilisateurs finaux de la mission, des politiques et des activités de l'ICANN.
- Les individus auront une capacité très limitée à assumer cette responsabilité par rapport aux ALS qui peuvent mieux l'assumer à travers leurs membres
- Un membre individuel n'est responsable devant personne que lui-même, alors qu'un représentant d'une ALS est responsable devant son ALS
- Un individu ne représente personne que lui-même. Un représentant d'une ALS représente des dizaines, des centaines ou des milliers d'utilisateurs finaux.
En tant que membre individuel, n'importe qui peut venir demander à être membre d'AFRALO. Comment prouver qu'il n'est pas envoyé par une entité ayant des intérêts politiques (gouvernement), des intérêts financiers (industrie du DNS), etc.

Après un long débat, le GT a fini par accepter les membres individuels, mais a refusé de leur donner toute possibilité de prise de décision. Cela a été accepté pour être tenté pendant un an, puis reconsidérer le problème en fonction du résultat de l'expérience d'un an.

Recommandations

1. Des personnes non affiliées peuvent devenir membres d'AFRALO (Membre non Affilié)
2. Les membres non affiliés doivent soumettre au personnel d'At-Large une affirmation qu'ils remplissent les critères suivants :
   • Être résident permanent de l'un des pays Africains
   • Ne pas être membre d'une ALS Accréditée
   • Accepter les principes de fonctionnement d'AFRALO et les règles de procédure de l’ALAC
   • Être inscrit à la liste de discussion AFRI-Discuss
   • Être Actif dans la communauté locale des utilisateurs finaux de l'Internet
3. Le fait de cesser de respecter l'un des critères ci-dessus met fin à l'adhésion non affiliée.
4. Les membres non affiliés sont encouragés à rejoindre l'une des ALS accréditées de leur pays ou à créer leur propre association et suivre le processus de certification des ALS
5. Les membres non affiliés sont encouragés à collaborer avec les ALS de leurs pays de résidence
6. Les membres non affiliés participent dans toutes les activités d'AFRALO comme :
   • Assister aux réunions physiques ou virtuelles d'AFRALO
   • Participer aux débats et/ou les initier
   • Proposer des opinions, des activités ou des projets
   • Etc.

Cependant, ils ne participent à aucune forme de prise de décision au sein d’AFRALO.

7. La question des droits et devoirs des membres individuels sera réexaminée 2 ans après la mise en oeuvre (ou avant) au vue de l'expérience de la période d'essai.

First Draft Proposal on "individual affiliation" - by Tijani Ben Jemaa

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8. The individual membership issue will be reviewed in 2017 to better organize the participation of unaffiliated members in light of the 2016 experience.
• being not a member of a certified ALS.
• Accepting the AFRALO Operating Principles
• being subscribed to the AFRI-Discuss list,

4. Ceasing to meet any of the above criteria terminates unaffiliated membership.

5. The group of “Unaffiliated Individuals” has the same rights as any AFRALO ALS

6. The unaffiliated individuals will be responsible for selecting their representative who shall vote on behalf of them. Such representative must not be employed or contracted by, or have substantive financial interest with an ICANN contracted party.

7. The unaffiliated individuals will adopt a process to ensure that votes cast via their selected representative reflect the views held among their membership.

8. The Selection of a new representative of the unaffiliated individuals will occur every 2 years, in the same time of the selection of a new ALAC member by AFRALO.

Comments

• By Fatimata Seye Sylla:

Individual membership
I think we can create an AFRALO individual ALS to allow individual members to join. The question is how. This ALS should be regional and may be we can ask Afrinic or another regional organization to host it.

• By Philip F Johnson:

Thanks Fatimata, your comment is very stimulating. It is a very good idea to create an AFRALO individual ALS ;;; , but don't you think we will in future give priority or preferential treatment to such an ALS ; nevertheless, it is very significant for discussion......;

Fruit for thoughts as we begin our debates on non or unaffiliated individual member within AFRALO ; I understand we have indirectly decided to have Non Affiliated individuals become members of AFRALO. If this is the case, I think we have to starting thinking about conditions to be consider as a non /unaffiliated individual member.

Some Questions for thoughts: Who should be considered as unaffiliated Individual member?
1. Individual users residing in Africa or an individual with interest in Internet users in Africa,?

2. any individual who are member of AFRALO mailing list? What will be their relationship to ALAC to At-Large staff? What are the interest of an unaffiliated individual within ICANN or AFRALO;

Can this individual also a part of an existing African ALS?

• By Silvia Vivanco (ICANN Staff)

Here I would like to share the NARALO Rules on Individual membership:

ARTICLE 17 OF NARALO Operating Principles allow for individual membership:

17. The members of the unaffiliated individuals, including the representative to the NARALO General Assembly must submit an affirmation to At-Large Staff indicating that they meet the following criteria:

• be subscribed to the NA-Discuss list,
• be a permanent resident of one of the countries/territories in the North American region as defined by ICANN,
• not be a member of a certified ALS.

Ceasing to meet any of the criteria terminates unaffiliated membership.

The unaffiliated individuals will be responsible for selecting their representative to the General Assembly. Such representative must not be employed or contracted by, or have substantive financial interest in, an ICANN contracted registry or accredited registrar. Selection of a new representative of the unaffiliated individuals will occur whenever a new ALAC member is selected by the General Assembly.

The unaffiliated individuals will adopt a verifiable process to ensure that votes cast via their elected representative reflect the views held among their membership. In the event of a tie, the unaffiliated representative will cast an extra vote.

18. Participation to NARALO affairs and discussions implies agreement with the NARALO Code of Conduct.
Here I would like to share the new APRALO ROPs regarding individual members

27.5 Unaffiliated Individual Members.

27.5.1 These members are the unaffiliated individuals, including any certified Nomination Committee appointed representatives, to the APRALO who meet the following criteria:

27.5.2 Unaffiliated Individuals must:

27.5.2.1 be subscribed to the AP Discuss list,

27.5.2.2 be a permanent resident of one of the countries/territories in the APRALO region as defined by ICANN,

27.5.2.3 not be a member of a certified ALS.

27.5.2.4 By way of ‘certification’ of having met this criteria and therefore to be able to contribute fully to APRALO an Unaffiliated Individual Member must submit an affirmation of these criteria to AtLarge Staff indicating how they meet the required criteria and also note that:

27.5.2.5 Upon ceasing to meet any of the criteria, unaffiliated membership is terminated.

27.5.2.6 All unaffiliated individuals (treated as a group) will be responsible for selecting their representative (when required to from time to time and or to contribute to the Regional General Assembly.

27.5.2.7 This representative must not be employed or contracted by, or have substantive financial interest in, an ICANN contracted registry or accredited registrar.

Here is the link to the document: https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/2266081/APRALO_RoP-Finalv1%203%20doc.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1401749832000&api=v2

By Pastor Peters Omoragbon

Dear All,

I am sorry I have been involved with my activities with the UN on climate change and just returned to base just this morning.

I am adding my voice to the discuss and have the following observations/reservations.  
1. How many MUST BE the Unaffiliated be to constitute a "The Group of the Unaffiliated"? We know before an ALS is considered for membership within AFRAULO they must be able to prove their membership strength.
2. Who decides the approval or other wise of ANY unaffiliated individual? Is it the AFRAULO leadership made up of elected officers or the AFRAULO as a whole body?
3. Anyone wanting to become an unaffiliated member MUST demonstrate or prove why he/she hadnot been able to fit into the ALS or work with the ALS in his/her country-unless where this is not present.
4. Why would the unaffiliated have the same rights and privileges as the ALS? This is a misnomer because, the ALS is a body of individuals, legitimate in their country of operations answerable to the its regulating bodies, whereas, the unaffiliated is answerable to NO ONE except themselves.
5. Nurses Across the Borders would want to propose that, there must be at least 20 individuals who meet the criteria above in item 3 of Tijani proposal before they can be considered as a group taking into consideration my observations in 1-4 above.
6. Where THERE is more than two unaffiliated individuals in one country, they must be encouraged to start their own NGO or ALS to meet the criteria of other ALS already in existence to become a member of AFRAULO.
7. What value are these individuals bringing to AFRAULO/ALAC that they cannot do within a collective? Anyone who cannot be a follower cannot be a good leader. The danger of the precedence we are setting with this UNAFFILIATED will destroy the very democratic precedence of ICANN in the nearest future.
8. Finally, ANY decision or otherwise that must be taken with any process of admitting the UNAFFILIATED must be taken by the whole body of AFRAULO and not the leaders. This we must vote on and not pushed down our throats by anyone,

Pastor PETERS OMORAGBON
An Addendum

1. The Unaffiliated group cannot have the same rights as an ALS because they are not established by statute with no structure other than a set of people who do not want to belong to an ALS seeking through the back door what others labored to put in place.
2. At best, they should be granted OBSERVER Status and can contribute to discussions but WITH NO VOTING RIGHT?
3. Once they have fully been established with their rules of operations which must be vetted by the AFRALO body as a whole then they could be considered for full membership rights as other ALS.

By Baudouin Schombe (posted on the list 10/30/2014)

There is a minimum criteria for At-Large structure.
To be admitted as a member of AFRALO to an individual, it must also meet certain criteria.

In addition to the proposals, the following criteria may be amended:
- Have some competence in the field of ICT; I don’t think AFRALO is an organization of ICT specialists
- Be active locally in activities concerning the Internet and its applications;
- Collaborate and work in synergy with ALS in the country; Good point;
- Participate in online discussions; All members should, individuals and ALSes
- Respect ethical rules; All AFRALO rules
- Respect the rules of AFRALO operation;

Latest version by Tijani BEN JEMAA

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3. Ceasing to meet any of the above criteria terminates unaffiliated membership.
4. The Unaffiliated members are encouraged to collaborate closely with the AFRALO ALSes of their country of residence.
5. Unaffiliated members shall constitute a group inside AFRALO called “Unaffiliated Individuals” assuming their number is equal or greater than 5 and they come from at least 5 different countries, Otherwise, they remain members of AFRALO with no voting right.
6. The group of “Unaffiliated Individuals” has the same rights and duties as any AFRALO ALS.
7. The “unaffiliated individuals” group will be responsible for selecting their representative who shall vote on behalf of them. Such representative must not be employed or contracted by, or have substantive financial interest with an ICANN contracted party.
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Statutes Euro Individuals Association

Posted By Silvia Vivanco

EURALO STRUCTURE TO ACCEPT INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Euro Individuals Association

Under the name “Euro Individuals Association” a European not-for-profit association according to Swiss Civil Code, Art. 60 to 79, was created. (Its seat and legal address will be specified separately in the foundation protocol).

The Euro Individuals Association was created in December 2012 to offer a home and legal structure for all those individuals participating regularly at activities of ICANN’s European / regional At-Large Organization (EURALO). By the creation of its Association, individuals from all over Europe can gather and assume a voting right at EURALO’s annual General Assembly (GA), as stipulated in EURALO’s amended Bylaws from May 2011 in Belgrade.

1. Purpose
The sole purposes of the association are:

1. To organize individuals from all over Europe who are not affiliated to any of the existing At-Large Structures (ALS).
2. To support the general objectives of ICANN’s European At-Large Organization (EURALO) specified in its Bylaws and its MoU with ICANN signed in March 2007 in Lisbon – i.e., inter alia, to promote the open development, multi-stakeholder based evolution and use of the Internet for the benefit of all people throughout Europe and the world.
3. To support EURALO in its regular activities (such as monthly calls, working groups, projects and outreach endeavors).
4. To seek and promote exchange and collaboration with other non-European individuals engaged in other RALOs and ICANN.

2. Financial resources

In order to fulfill its role in the frame of EURALO, the Euro Individuals Association can count on resources and capacities of EURALO such as its Secretariat and does not need own financial resources and administrative facilities.

3. Organisational structure and Membership

The Euro Individuals Association’s organizational structure is simple and functional:

- It is open to all interested individuals sharing its goals and purpose outlined above.
- Members of the Association elect a Steering Committee (SC) for a biannual term (two years, reelection possible).
- The SC, in consultation with all members, approves applications for new membership.
- All members have a voting right at the Association’s annual General Assembly, in line with the EURALO GA.

The Association’s annual General Assembly selects its representative who has a voting right at EURALO’s GA.

4. Expiration of membership

Membership at Euro Individuals Association expires through withdrawal, exclusion or death.

5. Withdrawal or exclusion

Withdrawal from membership of the Euro Individuals association is always possible. Notification of withdrawal shall be sent in writing to the SC.

Members can be excluded from the Euro Individuals association at all times by provision of additional explanations or reasons. Decisions for exclusion are being taken via a vote called by the SC. The member concerned can appeal the exclusion to the General Assembly.

6. Organs of the association

The organs of the association are:

a. General Assembly
b. Steering Committee (SC)

The SC can create further sub-groups or committees for the delegation of tasks.

c. The General Assembly

The primary organ of the association is the General Assembly. It normally meets annually in conjunction with EURALO's GA.

Invitations to General Assembly meetings will be sent at least three weeks in advance by writing (normally electronically), the agenda will be included in the posting. Extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly may be held by order of the SC or if ten percent of the members request such a meeting and indicate the issues to be addressed. In such a case, the extraordinary meeting is to be held within three months of receiving the request.

The General Assembly is responsible for:

1. Electing the Steering Committee of the Association
2. Electing the voting representative to the EURALO GA
3. Any changes and amendments to the statutes
4. Dealing with motions and inquiries.

For changes to the statutes, a majority of two thirds of the votes is necessary.

The decision-making process is open unless the General Assembly decides upon a secret ballot.

7. Auditors

1.

As the Association does not have own financial resources (see point 3 of this bylaws), no auditors are needed.
8. Authority to Sign
Members of the Steering Committee have authority to sign, with two signatures being required.

9. Liability
Personal liability of the members is excluded.

10. Termination
Terminating the Association requires an extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly that shall be convened for this purpose. Termination requires a majority of three quarters of the casted votes.

11. Seat
The legal seat of the Euro Individuals Association is Switzerland and according association laws.

12. Effective Date
These Bylaws become effective with the written approval of the founding members on …

13. Legally binding text
The legally binding text for these bylaws of the Euro Individuals is contained in the English language document / version.

Mwendwa Kivuva <Kivuva@transworldafrica.com>:
I support you Tijani.
Since RALOs are supposed to represent the interest of individual users, there will be no rational in making AFRALO a privileged members club. For example, We might have countries with no ALS registered. Do we mean that their voices should not be heard?
I believe we can have individuals that can bring more value to AFRALO than the many dormant ALSes we see elsewhere.
Best

Mwendwa Kivuva, Nairobi, Kenya
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"There are some men who lift the age they inhabit, till all men walk on higher ground in that lifetime." - Maxwell Anderson

On 3 November 2014 12:06, Beran Gillen - Yahoo <berangillen@yahoo.com> wrote:
I will have to agree with Pastor Peters on this. Let us look at the value added ( if any) by unaffiliated members to these RALOs. What's good for them might not be good for AFRALO. We have to look at all factors. IMO I believe these individual members can find a place in an existing ALS or create an ALS.

It becomes difficult to manage when the numbers start to grow. I believe whatever they are bringing to the table can be brought through an ALS

Just my thoughts

Beran

"There is nothing more difficult to arrange and more dangerous to carry through than initiating change..." Machiavelli

Sent from my iPhone
On 31 Oct 2014, at 20:16, CAPDA CAPDA <capdasiege@gmail.com> wrote:
Bonjour cher tous,

D’abord bravo pour l’ensemble de production du groupe de travail. J’en profite pour m’excuser de mon silence ces derniers temps, je ne suis pas stable et dans des fuseaux horaires très différents et très difficiles à maîtriser, ce qui m’a non seulement trop fatigué, mais déconnecter de tout. Bien qu’un peu en retard, je me permets d’apporter ma modeste contribution.

Il me semble important de donner d’abord un contenu au terme Expert/consultant avant de poser les préalables d’adhésion à AFRALO, en effet, un expert /consultant doit être reconnu comme étant une source majeur d’informations, de savoirs et de talents et doit participer à l’élaboration, à l’adaptation ou fonctionnement et à l’évaluation des actions menées. Ensuite, je pense qu’on peut distinguer deux catégories d’expert : observateur et permanent. Au regard de ceci, je propose ces quelques critères :

• Les Experts doivent être parrainés par une Als à sa création et par la suite ses membres ou une Als du pays de résidence pourra assurer cette fonction,
• Proposer sa candidature à travers un formulaire, la période de validation ne doit pas dépasser 4 mois,
• Les experts/consultants non affiliés doivent observer une période de 6 à 12 mois comme membres observateurs avant d’être validé permanent par ses pairs au regard du degré de son engagement et surtout sa motivation,
• Avoir une notoriété reconnue par la communauté des TIC et avoir une expérience avérée,
• Faire preuve de pratique citoyenne et d’approches larges axées sur la globalité de la problématique des TIC
• Evaluer leur apport ou contribution dans la communauté tous les 3 ans

Une fois de plus, je m’excuse pour ma réaction tardive.

Bonne journée à tous.

2014-10-31 18:42 GMT+01:00 Aziz Hilali <hilaliaziz@yahoo.fr>:
Dear all,

Sorry for not being able to participate in this important discussion on individual membership within AFRALO. I’ve been very busy these days. As you may already know, we are in talks with the management of ICANN on the postponement of the organization of the ICANN meeting in Marrakech (from Feb 2015 to March 2016).

Thank you all for your contributions. I approve the latest version proposed by Tijani. He enriched his first draft with your contributions.

I think this is indeed more elaborated than the NARALO and APRALO texts that adopted the same system.

Aziz
Best Regards

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Posted by Silvia Vivanco

COMMENT POSTED ON THE WG LIST ON 11/05 BY Tijani Ben Jemaa

Dear Peters and all,

As you know, it was decided in the WG call that the approval of the text will be done online an Friday 31 October, but because I felt there is still more discussion to happen to reach consensus, I didn’t stick to that deadline and let the exchange go. But at the end, the WG will need to decide.

I think that we had extensive discussion, and now, we have the following points to decide on:

- Do we accept the unaffiliated people to become AFRALO members
- If we accept them, Which model AFRALO chooses:
  - The one decided on recently by EURALO EURALO model
  - The model in the proposed text (latest version) that is also used by NARALO since long and adopted by APRALO recently https://community.icann.org/display/AFRALO/Individual+Membership+-+AFRALO+ROP+Review
- If we choose the later,
  - Should the unaffiliated members group have the right to participate in the decision making (only one vote for the whole unaffiliated members whatever their number is)?
  - what is the minimum number of unaffiliated members to constitute the “unaffiliated members” group? Peters proposes 20 and Tijani proposes 5

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COMMENT POSTED ON THE WG LIST ON 11/05 BY Tijani Ben Jemaa

Dear Peters and all,

As you know, it was decided in the WG call that the approval of the text will be done online an Friday 31 October, but because I felt there is still more discussion to happen to reach consensus, I didn’t stick to that deadline and let the exchange go. But at the end, the WG will need to decide.

I think that we had extensive discussion, and now, we have the following points to decide on:

- Do we accept the unaffiliated people to become AFRALO members
- If we accept them, Which model AFRALO chooses:
  - The one decided on recently by EURALO EURALO model
  - The model in the proposed text (latest version) that is also used by NARALO since long and adopted by APRALO recently https://community.icann.org/display/AFRALO/Individual+Membership+-+AFRALO+ROP+Review
- If we choose the later,
  - Should the unaffiliated members group have the right to participate in the decision making (only one vote for the whole unaffiliated members whatever their number is)?
  - what is the minimum number of unaffiliated members to constitute the “unaffiliated members” group? Peters proposes 20 and Tijani proposes 5
I have also to mention that Aziz, Fatimata, Mwendwa, and Hadja expressed their support to the latest version of the proposed text (see attached file).

This text takes into consideration some of Peters, Baudouin and Michel’s points.

All WG members: Please express your opinion on all those points before Thursday 23:59 UTC. Even if you did before, please confirm.