



## **At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)**

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### **Report from the Chair of the At-Large Advisory Committee to the 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ICANN in Cartagena, Colombia**

#### **At-Large Activities at the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting in Cartagena, Colombia**

During the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting that took place 5-10 December in Cartagena, Colombia, the At-Large Community was represented by a total of 28 members from all five At-Large regions. These representatives included Members of the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), officers of the five Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs), representatives of At-Large Structures (ALSes), At-Large liaisons, At-Large delegates to the Nominating Committee (NomCom), and representatives of the At-Large Community.

The following formal At-Large meetings took place during the 38<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting in Brussels:

- [An all day ALAC and Regional Leadership Working Session](#)
- [A meeting of the At-Large Improvements Working Team A](#)
- [A NARALO Monthly Meeting](#)
- [A LACRALO Showcase](#)
- [An APRALO Monthly Meeting](#)
- [An ALAC Policy – Part 1 Session](#)
- [An ALAC Policy – Part 2 Session](#)
- [An AFRALO Monthly Meeting](#)
- [A LACRALO Monthly Meeting](#)
- [An meeting of the At-Large Improvements Working Team B](#)
- [ALAC & Regional Leadership FY 12 Budget Development Meeting](#)
- An ALAC Meeting with members of the ICANN Board
- [An At-Large Meeting with Registrars](#)
- [An ALAC and Regional Leadership Wrap-Up Meeting](#)
- [An At-Large Regional Secretariats Meeting](#)
- [A Chair's Request Meeting](#)
- [An ALAC Executive Committee Meeting](#)

The LACRALO Showcase highlighted the vibrant and diverse Latin American and Caribbean Islands Regional At-Large Organization. Dr. Alejandro Pisanty presented the keynote speech and over 12 At-Large Structures gave overviews of their activities and achievements.

At-Large played a key role in the organization and running of two cross-constituency meetings:

- [AFRALO/AfrICANN Joint Meeting](#)
- [Promoting Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice](#)

The At-Large members that participated in the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting actively took part in non-At-Large meetings as well. They prepared [reports](#) of these sessions, which provided summaries of the sessions as well as highlighting issues of importance to the At-Large Community.

Among the many policy and process-related issues discussed during their meetings, there are several the ALAC would like to highlight:

- **Seating of At-Large Board Director selected by the At-Large Community** – Sebastien Bachollet, the ICANN Board Director selected by the At-Large community, will take his seat at the conclusion of the ICANN Annual General Meeting on 10 December 2010. This is the first Board Director selected by the At-Large community to sit on the Board since 2000. As Chair of the ALAC, I noted that on behalf of ALAC and the At-Large (RALOs and ALSes) who have been so effectively involved and contributory to this process I would also like to congratulate all the original Statement of Interest applicants and the final slate of candidates involved in this landmark process for At-Large and the ALAC, and sincerely thank all of them for their willingness to serve ICANN and our community as well as to offer our most sincere commiserations to Alan Greenberg and our congratulations to Sébastien Bachollet.
- **ALAC Statement on the Proposed Final Applicant Guidebook** - During the ALAC Policy Discussion – Part 2 Meeting on Tuesday, 7 December, the ALAC ratified the [ALAC Statement on the Proposed Final Applicant Guidebook](#) with a 12:0 vote. The statement will be submitted to the currently open public comment consultation.
- **ALAC Statement on the Proposed Bylaws Amendments on Board Member Term Transitions** – The ALAC voted 12:0 in favor of ratifying the ALAC Statement on the Proposed Bylaws Amendments on Board Member Term Transitions.

- **Endorsement of DSSR Draft charter 1.0** – During the ALAC Policy Discussion – Part 2 Meeting that took place on Tuesday, 7 December, the ALAC endorsed the [DSSR Draft charter 1.0](#) with a vote of 10 in favor and one abstention.
- **[Cartagena Statement of the African ICANN community about the Support for new gTLD applicants](#)** – The ALAC wishes to make particular note of, and give the highest compliments to, the timely preparatory work and Statement of the African ICANN community (AfrilCANN and AFRALO), regarding Support for the New gTLD Applicants (and appended to my report for your reference and attention).
- **[Cartagena Statement of the African ICANN community about the support for African participation in ICANN policy development process](#)** – The ALAC also commends the African ICANN community on the development and adoption of the Cartagena Statement that seeks to improve the quality of the participation of this vibrant community through the implementation of an awareness campaign at the local and regional levels that would serve as a first step toward a capacity building program for the African ICANN community.
- **ALAC and At-Large Leadership Updates** – The 2010 Annual General Meeting marks a change in leadership within the ALAC and At-Large regions.

The ALAC wishes to recognize the valuable contributions of the following ALAC members and Regional officers who will be leaving their leadership positions at the end of the Cartagena Meeting.

- Carlos Aguirre – ALAC representative elected by LACRALO (December 2006 – December 2010)
- Sebastien Bachollet – ALAC Executive Committee Vice-Chair (October 2009 – December 2010) and ALAC representative from EURALO (March 2007y – December 2010)
- Beau Brendler – ALAC representative elected by NARALO (November 2007 – December 2010)
- Hawa Diakite – ALAC representative elected by AFRALO (March 2007 – December 2010)
- Alan Greenberg – Vice-Chair of the ALAC Executive Committee (November 2008 – December 2010) and NomCom appointed ALAC representative from NARALO (November 2007 – December 2010)
- Didier Kasole – AFRALO Secretary (March 2007– December 2010)

- Dave Kissoondoyal – African representative on the ALAC Executive Committee (November 2008 – December 2010)
- Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Chair of the ALAC (November 2007-December 2010)
- Evan Leibovitch – NARALO Chair (June 2007-December 2010)
- Adam Peake – NomCom appointed ALAC representative from EURALO November 2008 – December 2010)
- Patrick Vande Walle – ALAC representative elected by EURALO (November 2008 – December 2010)
- Dr. V. C. Vivekanandan – ALAC representative elected by APRALO (November 2008 – December 2010)

The ALAC is pleased to announce the incoming ALAC Officers, Representatives, and Liaisons, and At-Large Regional Officers.

- ALAC Officers:
  - Chair: Dr. Olivier Crepin-Leblond (EURALO)
  - Vice-Chair: Cheryl Langdon-Orr (APRALO)
  - Vice-Chair: Evan Leibovitch (NARALO)
  - Rapporteur: Carlton Samuels (LACRALO)
  - Representative from the African Region: Tijani Ben Jemaa (AFRALO)
- ALAC Representatives:
  - Tijani Ben Jemaa (AFRALO)
  - Edmon Chung (APRALO)
  - Sandra Hoferichter (EURALO)
  - Sergio Salinas Porto (LACRALO)
  - Jean-Jacques Subrenat (EURALO)
  - Evan Leibovitch (NARALO)
  - Marc Rotenberg (NARALO – NomCom selectee)
- ALAC Liaisons
  - ccNSO Liaison: Cheryl Langdon-Orr (APRALO)
  - GNSO Liaison: Alan Greenberg (NARALO)
  - IDN Liaison: Edmon Chung (APRALO)
  - NCSG Liaison: Beau Brendler (NARALO)
  - SSR Liaison: Patrick Vande Walle (EURALO)
- Regional Officers
  - Aziz Hilali (AFRALO Secretary)
  - Beau Brendler (NARALO Chair)
  - Eric Brunner-Williams (NARALO Unaffiliated ALS Representative. This is the first At-Large appointment to the Regional Leadership as an individual member role.)

## At-Large Activities since the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ICANN in Brussels

The At-Large community, consisting of the ALAC, five RALOs and 129 At-Large Structures, continued to its policy-making and outreach activities between the 38<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting held in Brussels, Belgium in June 2010 and the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting held in Cartagena, Colombia held in December 2010.

During this time-period, the ALAC submitted 8 policy statements to the Board.

Topics of the ALAC policy statements were as follows:

- [ALAC Statement on the Community Working Group Report on Implementation of GNSO New gTLD Recommendation Number 6](#)
- [ALAC Statement on the Initial Report on Vertical Integration](#)
- [ALAC Statement on Draft Applicant Guidebook v4](#)
- [Response from ICANN CEO to Joint Letter From Chairs of the GNSO, ccNSO and ALAC on ICANN's Proposed Establishment of a DNS-CERT](#)
- [ALAC Statement On Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery \(PEDNR\) Initial Report](#)
- [ALAC Statement on On Policy Development Process \(PDP\) Work Team \(WT\)](#)
- [ALAC Statement on ICANN Travel Policy](#)
- [ALAC Statement on RAA Subsection 3.7.7.3](#)

Members of the ALAC, the Regions and our ALSes have been engaged directly with policy development and ICANN processes being conducted within or with other parts of ICANN these include but are not limited to:

- Two (2) Members in the [Geographic Regions Review Working Group](#)
- Four (4) Members in the RAA Sub Team A: [Registrant Rights Charter Group](#)
- Three (3) Members in the RAA Sub Team B: [Additional Amendments Group](#)
- Three (3) Members in the [Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery WG](#)
- One (1) Member in the Policy Process Steering Committee (PPSC) [Policy Development Process Team \(PDP\)](#)
- One Member in the Policy Process Steering Committee (PPSC) [Working Group Team \(WG\)](#)
- Two (2) Members in the [ccNSO IDN PDP Working Group 1](#)
- Two (2) Member in the [Registration Abuse Policies Working Group](#)
- Six (6) Members in the [SO/AC New gTLD Applicant Support Working Group](#)

As a means of increasing knowledge and capacity within the At-Large community to engage effectively in the ICANN policy development process, eight At-Large community calls took place between the 38<sup>th</sup> ICANN and the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting. These At-Large community calls were:

- [Community Call on Final Applicant Guidebook](#)
- [Community Call with At-Large Board Candidates](#)
- [Community Call on Rec 6](#)
- [Community Call on SSR](#)
- [Community Call: Confluence Wiki Intermediate training](#)
- [Community Call: Confluence Wiki Beginners training](#)
- [Community Call on At-Large Travel Support](#)
- [Community Call on Vertical Integration Initial Report](#)

The 5 Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs) have been exceptionally busy between the 38<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meetings. Their reports on their activities are available at:

- [AFRALO](#)
- [APRALO](#)
- [EURALO](#)
- [LACRALO](#)
- [NARALO](#)

During this period, five new At-Large Structures (ALSes) have been accredited and two organizations are currently going through the application process. Currently there are 129 ALSes. The accredited ALSes are:

- [Information Policy Analytical Center \(IPAC\)](#) (APRALO)
- [ISOC Perú](#) (LACRALO)
- [enREDo - Red Internacional de Diseño \[PDF, 160 KB\]](#) (LACRALO)
- [Association of Information Technology Law](#) (LACRALO)
- [Colorado ISOC](#) (NARALO)

The organizations currently being reviewed are:

- [Binary Egypt](#) (AFRALO)
- [Forum des Cadres Scientifiques pour le Développement](#) (FORCUS) (AFRALO)

### **At-Large Improvements – Status and Next Steps**

Since ICANN's 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Brussels, significant milestones and progress have been accomplished in the implementation of the At-Large Improvements. This progress has resulted from the work of the four At-Large Improvements

Work Teams (WTs), in collaboration with the At-Large Improvements Project Manager and other At-Large staff.

The At-Large Improvements WTs meet every other week. Each has been assigned the implementation of a cluster of related recommendations that initiated in the [Final Report of the ALAC Review WG on ALAC Improvements](#) (Feb 2009). These recommendations are divided into actionable tasks listed in the [Simplified At-Large Improvements Implementation Outline](#).

The table below summarizes the progress made to date in implementing the 13 At-Large Improvements recommendations. At present, the estimated completion date for those recommendations not yet completed is March 2011.

Work team	Recommendation	Status of WT tasks (% completed)				Estimated completion date	Expected At-Large costs
		25%	50%	75%	100%		
A	1: ICANN Bylaws	50%				March 2011	None
	2: Director-related Bylaws	100%				Completed	None
	10: Home of indiv Internet users	75%				March 2011	Trial community-rep activities
	11: Board statement re Rec 10	75%				March 2011	None
B	3: ALS-RALO-ALAC structure	75%				March 2011	None
	4: ALS educ & engagement	50%				March 2011	Development of materials
	7: Communication tools	50%				March 2011	Eval of communication tools
	9: Translation processes	75%				March 2011	Eval of language services
C	5: Strategic/operational plans	50%				March 2011	Possible extra day at Meeting
	6: Cost models	75%				March 2011	None
D	8: Public comment period	100%				Completed	Eval of language services
	12: Consumer rep input	100%				Completed	Initial devel of materials
	13: Policy advice mechanisms	50%				March 2011	None

The milestones accomplished by each WT thus far in reaching this level of progress are listed below, as are the next steps each WT is targeting and a link to its primary Confluence workspace. (This information is also available in the [ALAC/At-Large Improvements Implementation Update, 5 Dec 2010](#)).

**At-Large Improvements WT A on ALAC/At-Large’s continuing purpose**

- Milestones
  - Bylaw changes approved regarding the At-Large-selected ICANN Director (see relevant [ICANN Bylaws](#));
  - Drafted proposed [revisions to Bylaw Article XI, 2\(4\)\(a\)](#), the primary At-Large Bylaws Article;
  - Analyzed other necessary Bylaw changes, incorporating some into [WT A’s suggested ALAC public comment on ATRT draft recommendations](#); and

- Defined process (resolution to be suggested by At-Large-selected Director) for Board statement recognizing Rec. 10.
- Next steps
  - Define complete process and set schedule, in collaboration with ICANN Legal, for remaining, necessary Bylaw amendments.
- Main work of WT can be found on the [WT A Workspace](#).

### ***At-Large Improvements WT B on ALS participation***

- Milestones
  - Used [ALS Survey](#) to identify relevant obstacles to ALS participation (such as information flow);
  - Identified communication/collaboration tools to be proposed to ALSes (including [Confluence](#), [Posterous](#), & [iEtherPad](#));
  - Initiated discussion on own [Confluence](#) page for each ALS for outreach/"inreach," education, and engagement (including two-way information exchange);
  - New [ALS Representative Starter Kit](#) soon to be available;
  - Series of [At-Large and RALO Brochures](#) completed;
  - Identified outside educational groups with which to partner, such as [DiploFoundation](#);
- Next steps
  - Make existing educational/engagement material easier to locate;
  - Create instruction package for ALSes on communication and collaboration tools recommending; and
  - Evaluate new translation tools.
- Main work of WT can be found on the [WT B Workspace](#).

### ***At-Large Improvements WT C on ALAC/At-Large planning processes***

- Milestones
  - Completed [SWOT analyses](#) of ALAC/At-Large's strategic, operational, and budgetary planning processes;
  - Regular meetings every two weeks of [ALAC's Subcommittee on Budget and Finance](#) (as part of WT C);
  - Participated in (and offered input during) [ICANN Strategic Planning Review with ALAC](#) (9 Nov 2010), [FY12 Operating Plan and Budget Kickoff - ALAC \(23 Nov 2010\)](#) (23 Nov 2010), and [ALAC & Regional Leadership FY12 Budget Development Meeting](#) (8 Dec 2010); and

- Regarding ICANN Meeting accommodations (task 6.2): ALAC Chair's discussion of accommodation issues with Constituency Travel & CFO; new [Travel Support Guidelines](#).
- Next steps
  - RALOs to provide feedback on WT's [SWOT analyses](#) of ALAC/At-Large's strategic, operational, and budgetary planning processes; and
  - WT to determine additional budgeting information needed.
- Main work of WT can be found on the [WT C Workspace](#).

***At-Large Improvements WT D on ALAC/At-Large policy advice development***

- Milestones
  - Developed [New ALAC/At-Large PAD Flowchart \(ver 5\)](#), which includes mechanisms for:
    - Increasing accessibility before public comment period (advance notice, prereleases, translations; see [At-Large/ALAC activities before policy is published](#) and [Before policy is available for comment](#) flowcharts);
    - Requesting extension of public comment period to 45 days (see [Rec 8 ALAC may request extension](#) flowchart);
    - Ensuring that SOs request ALAC input (see [GNSO's new draft PDP](#)); and
    - Ensuring SOs, ACs and Board provide ALAC with feedback.
  - [Beginner's' Guide to Domain Names](#) (initially an At-Large document) released during the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN Meeting.
  - Beginner's Guide to IPv4 and IPv6 to be released by 40<sup>th</sup> ICANN meeting.
  - Consumer-related Cartagena meetings ([Promoting Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice](#)); and
  - Participation of At-Large representatives on various panels regarding consumer outreach.
- Next steps
  - ALAC to propose new policy-related measures to other ACs and SOs (work with ccNSO and ASO to be initiated)
  - Community review, ALAC endorsement, and Board approval of WT's proposed new ALAC/At-Large PAD; and
  - WT to complete planned consolidation and updating of consumer outreach documents.
- Main work of WT can be found on the [WT D Workspace](#).

## **A Note of Thanks**

The members of the ALAC and Regional leaders would like to extend their sincere thanks, appreciation, and recognition to the ICANN staff that support us, Heidi Ullrich, Matthias Langenegger, Seth Greene, Gisella Gruber-White and Marilyn Vernon, for providing 24/7 support to all parts of the At-Large Community. We would also like to thank the members of ICANN staff that provided exceptional briefings and engaged in stimulating discussion with us during the 39<sup>th</sup> ICANN meeting. Finally, we wish to thank the ICANN Meetings staff that have worked tirelessly to ensure that our meeting rooms and accommodation were as convenient as possible during our stay in Cartagena.