Report from the Chair of the At-Large Advisory Committee from the 45th Meeting of ICANN in Toronto, Canada

At-Large Activities at the 45th ICANN Meeting

During the 45th ICANN Meeting that took place 14-19 October 2012 in Toronto, Canada, the At-Large community was represented by members from all five At-Large regions. These representatives included current and incoming 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), representatives from 18 North American Regional At-Large Organization (NARALO) ALSes, and Representatives of the At-Large community.

At-Large Meetings that took place in Toronto included:

1. ALAC and Regional Leadership Working Session 1
2. At-Large Whois Working Group
3. At-Large New gTLD WG
4. At-Large Future Challenges Working Group
5. ALAC Rules of Procedure Review Working Group (ROP WG) Workshop
6. NARALO Outreach Event: An Evening with At-Large: Honoring the RALOs
7. Four NARALO Capacity Building Meetings
8. Four Joint Fellow and NARALO Meetings
9. At-Large Meeting with the ICANN Board
10. At-Large Capacity Building – Next Steps
11. ALAC: Policy Discussion - Part I
12. ALAC: Policy Discussion - Part II
13. Registrant Rights and Responsibilities Working Group
14. At-Large Outreach Sub-Committee Meeting
15. Academy Working Group
16. NARALO General Assembly
17. At-Large Regional Leadership Meeting
18. At-Large New gTLD Review Group Meeting
20. APRALO Monthly Meeting
21. ALAC & Regional Leadership Wrap-Up Meeting 1
22. ALAC & Regional Leadership Wrap-Up Meeting 2
23. ALAC Executive Committee

NARALO Toronto Events

From October 15 through October 18, 2012, the ALAC and At-Large regional representatives in Toronto welcomed 18 At-Large Structure representatives from NARALO taking part in the NARALO Toronto Events.

The NARALO Toronto Events included:

- **A NARALO Capacity Building Program** - A week-long series of capacity building sessions for NARALO ALS representatives, including outreach and the development of a communication strategy. The NARALO ALSes also joined the ICANN Fellows for one hour Monday through Thursday to continue their capacity building on ICANN issues.

- **A NARALO Outreach Event - An Evening with At-Large: Honoring the RALOs** – This event celebrated the 5 Year Anniversary of the 5 At-Large Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs) and commemorated the achievements of the RALOs and their growing role within the At-Large community. Guest speakers included Fadi Chehadé, ICANN President and CEO; Dr. Steve Crocker, Chairman of the Board of ICANN; Sébastien Bachollet, ICANN Board Member; Patrick Ryan, Policy Counsel, Open Internet at Google; Philipp Grabensee, Chairman of Afilias; Paul Andersen, Chairman of the Board, Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA); and Dr. Olivier Crépin-Leblond, Chair of the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC). The event concluded with a performance by the Metis Association of fiddlers and dancers.

- **A NARALO General Assembly** – This NARALO General Assembly, the first since March 2009, provided an opportunity for NARALO to discuss issues of fundamental importance to their RALO.

- Outreach Activities - NARALO members conducted outreach activities during the Toronto Meeting. Volunteers staffed the ICANN Information booth during lunch and coffee breaks to speak with potential new members of NARALO. These activities were successful, resulting to date in two applications for organizations to become accredited At-Large Structures and two individual members joining NARALO.
In addition to At-Large meetings, the At-Large community members participated actively in many of the other meetings taking place during the 45th ICANN Meeting either in person or using remote participation tools. They prepared reports of these sessions, which provided summaries of the sessions as well as highlighting issues of importance to the At-Large community.

Members of the At-Large community also played a key role in the organization and running of the Joint DNS Security and Stability Analysis Working Group (DSSA) Meeting.

**Highlights of the At-Large Community at the 45th ICANN Meeting**

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

- **NARALO Toronto Events**
  - The North American Regional At-Large Organization (NARALO) held the NARALO Toronto Events series of meetings including capacity building sessions, a General Assembly, an event co-sponsored by Afilias, Cira and Google that commemorated the 5 year anniversary of the RALOs, and outreach activities.

- **Establishment of an At-Large Capacity Building Working Group**
  - The ALAC agreed to create an At-Large Working Group on Capacity Building. This WG will work on issues related to capacity building within the At-Large community.
  - The At-Large Capacity Building Working Group will send a call for membership shortly.

- **Ratification of the Joint ALAC/NCSG Statement on the Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS) System**
  - The ALAC voted to adopt the Joint ALAC/NCSG Statement on the Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS) System on Thursday, 18 October 2012.

- **Ratification of the ALAC Statement on the Community Input and Advice Process**
  - The ALAC voted to adopt the ALAC Statement on the Community Input and Advice Process on Thursday, 18 October 2012.
o **ALAC and At-Large Leadership Updates** – The 2012 Annual General Meeting marks a change in leadership within the ALAC and its liaisons.

**Outgoing**

The ALAC wishes to recognize the valuable contributions of the following ALAC members who left their leadership positions at the end of the Toronto Meeting.

- **ALAC Representatives:**
  - Edmon Chung – ALAC representative from the APRALO Region. Term served between AGM 2010-AGM 2012.
  - Dr. Ganesh Kumar - NomCom Interim Selectee to the ALAC from the North America Region. Term served between 6 September 2011 and AGM 2012.
  - Sergio Salinas Porto - ALAC representative from the LACRALO Region. Term served between AGM 2010-AGM 2012.

- **At-Large Delegates to the 2012 Nominating Committee**
  - Yrjö Länsipuro, At-Large Delegate to the 2012 NomCom from the Europe Region)
  - Jacqueline Morris – At-Large Delegate to the 2012 NomCom from the Latin America and Caribbean Islands Region.

**Incoming and Returning**

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

- **ALAC Officers:**
  - Chair: Dr. Olivier Crépin-Leblond (Representative from the Europe Region) – for a two year term between AGM 2012 and AGM 2014.
  - Vice-Chair: Evan Leibovitch (Representative from the North America Region)
  - Vice-Chair: Carlton Samuels (Representative from the Latin America and Caribbean Islands Region)
  - Rapporteur: Tijani Ben Jemaa (Representative from the Africa Region)
  - Representative from the Asia, Australia, Pacific Region: Rinalia Abdul Rahim (NomCom Selectee to the ALAC from the Asia, Australia, Pacific Region)
o ALAC Representatives:

- Tijani Ben Jemaa – Returning ALAC representative from the AFRAULO Region. Term to serve between AGM 2012 - AGM 2014.
- Sandra Hoferichter – Returning ALAC representative from the EURALO Region. Term to serve between AGM 2012 - AGM 2014.
- Holly Raiche – Incoming ALAC representative from the APRALO Region. Term to serve between AGM 2012 - AGM 2014.
- Dev Anand Teelucksingh – Incoming ALAC representative from the LACRALO Region. Term to serve between AGM 2012 - AGM 2014.
- Evan Leibovitch – Returning ALAC representative from the NARALO Region. Term to serve between AGM 2012 - AGM 2014.

o ALAC Liaisons

- ccNSO Liaison: Cheryl Langdon-Orr (APRALO) – Term to serve AGM 2012 – AGM 2013.
- GNSO Liaison: Alan Greenberg (NARALO) - Term to serve AGM 2012 – AGM 2013.
- IDN Liaison: Edmon Chung (APRALO) - Term to serve AGM 2012 – AGM 2013.
- NCSG Liaison: Evan Leibovitch (NARALO) - Term to serve AGM 2012 – AGM 2013.
- SSAC Liaison: Julie Hammer - Term to serve AGM 2012 – AGM 2013.

o At-Large Delegates to the 2013 Nominating Committee

- Mohamed El Bashir - At-Large Delegate to the 2013 NomCom from the Africa Region.
- Siranush Vardanyan - At-Large Delegate to the 2013 NomCom from the Asia, Australia, Pacific Region.
- NARALO – Glenn McKnight - At-Large Delegate to the 2013 NomCom from the North America Region.
At-Large Activities between the 44th and 45th ICANN Meetings

The At-Large community, consisting of the ALAC, five RALOs and 146 ALSes, continued its policy-making and outreach activities between the 44th ICANN Meeting held in Prague, the Czech Republic in June 2012 and the end of the 45th ICANN Meeting held in Toronto, Canada in October 2012.

During this time-period, the ALAC submitted a total of 16 Policy Advice Statements, Analyses, Correspondences and Communications.

The topics of the ALAC Policy Statements and Communication were as follows:

- ALAC Statement on Community Input and Advice Process
- At-Large White Paper on Future Challenges entitled Making ICANN Relevant, Responsive and Respected
- ALAC Statement on the SSAC Report on Dotless Domains
- ALAC Concerns About Board Transparency
- ALAC Analysis of AoC WHOIS Report Recommendations
- ALAC Statement on the Request for Community Input on SAC054 - Domain Name Registration Data Model
- ALAC Statement on the Consumer Metrics Final Advice
- ALAC Reply to Comments on the Draft Statements of ICANN's Role and Remit in Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the Internet's Unique Identifier System
- ALAC Statement on the WHOIS AC SO Request
- ALAC Statement on the Request for Community Input on Formulation of 2013-2016 Strategic Plan
- ALAC Statement on the IDN Prioritization in the New gTLD Program Targeted at the ICANN Board
- ALAC Correspondence to the ICANN Board Chair on the ALAC/At-Large Improvements Implementation Project - Final Report for Review by the SIC
- ALAC Correspondence Endorsing the IPC's Statement on the .com Renewal and Thick Whois
- ALAC Statement on the Preliminary GNSO Issue Report on the Protection of International Organization Names in New gTLDs

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**
• One (1) Member in the **ccNSO IDN PDP Working Group**
• Two (2) members in the **Consumer Metrics Project Discussion Drafting Team** (CCI DT)
• Three (3) members in the **DNS Security and Stability Analysis Working Group** (DSSA WG)
• One (1) member on the **International Olympic Committee (IOC) and Red Cross (RC) names discussion group**
• One (1) member on the **Framework of Interpretation Working Group** (FoI WG)
• One (1) member on the **WHOIS Survey working group**
• One (1) member on the **Locking of a Domain Name Subject to UDRP Proceedings Policy Development Process Working Group** (LOCK WG)
• Five (5) members on the **Thick WHOIS PDP Working Group**
• One (1) member on **IGO-INGO Protections Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group**

The 5 RALOs have been exceptionally busy between the 44th and 45th ICANN Meetings. Their reports on their activities are available at:

- **AFRALO**
- **APRALO**
- **EURALO**
- **LACRALO**
- **NARALO**

During this period, 2 new ALSes were accredited and several organizations are currently going through the application process. Currently there are 146 ALSes.

The organizations that were accredited as ALSes between the Prague and Toronto ICANN Meetings are:

- **Computer Society of India [PDF, 122 KB]**
- **Internet Society Malaysia Chapter [PDF, 50 KB]**

**A Note of Thanks**

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