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SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

...have done to build the ALAC ones. It's a reversal what I think

you have said. Sorry.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

You're actually absolutely right, Sebastien, and it's a complicated thing but some RALOs had more trouble producing their document than others and so it's just meant to be a starting point for them to use in creating the document and that the actual At-Large priorities will come from those documents. But this is meant to be a starting point for two reasons. One is to just help outline some of the issues that are out there to be discussed, and so then each Regional Group can decide whether or not it's important to them and then add their regional flavor to it.

But, the other is, is there've been some difficulties with, sort of, staying within the remit of ICANN, too, for some of those efforts and so we're trying to come up with a framework for that so that those documents can be created more efficiently, too, by the RALOs. I guess that's it. But it's not meant to be a top-down imposition of policy. We're just trying to figure out how to be helpful, that's all. But thank you for the question.

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Oh, and now we have slides. That's so exciting. Alright, so next slide. Gosh, I hope this is the right slide. Is that what this was called? I don't remember it being... Okay, so we're talking about end users and this is a critical part of our discussion and we talked about this a little bit this morning when we branched into our philosophical discussion about Consensus Building, etcetera. And so sometimes it's difficult to understand where the end user fits in to the discussions that happen inside of ICANN. Very often, there's like a debate going on between the contracted parties and business and so that's... A perfect example of that right now is happening in GDPR. That there's business really want more of that data to be available so that they can pursue trademark violators, etcetera. And law enforcement wants more data to be available. And then the contracted parties want to limit their liability, limit their work, etcetera, and have the easiest path forward.

And so, there's a tug of war that's happening and so very often the role of the end user is to kind of raise their hand and say, "Yes. But whatever it is you decide is also going to have downstream consequences for end users in the form of spam or malware or phishing. The things you're not discussing are the things that matter to us and so we need to speak up even though the dispute doesn't seem to directly involve us because it affects us."



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Next slide please. So, who are these end users that we talk so much about and this is a conversation that was interesting in the previous session with the NCUC because I tried very diplomatically to express the difference between the ALAC and the NCUC about a focus on registrants as opposed to a focus on all end users and Milton, of course, wanted to find a way to take it to a pejorative place and said, "Well, the real difference is the ALAC allows business interest and government interest to be involved and that's why there's a difference in policy." But I think we're all aware of the fact that the majority of end users are not registrants. They're just people using the internet and so that we're always trying to keep those interests at heart, as well.

So, who are these end users? They're people who want URLs to take them where they expect to be taken. They don't want to be redirected to someplace that they weren't expecting to go. They're people who don't want to be phished. They're people who don't want malware on their computer. They're people making airline and restaurant reservations, sending email, doing research, watching videos and doing online banking. Those are the end users. It includes registrants, but they represent a minority of end users. And so, when there's a conflict between the two, we've come down on the side of the majority.



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Next slide, please. So, this is not the representation of end users. If you can see this picture, it's a bunch of monkeys at computers. I think we run into trouble if we talk about end users as some 'other', a 'them', the people that are morons that don't know any better that need to be protected. I think that that's actually the trap that the NCUC falls into very often.

Instead, next slide, we're all end users. So, when we engage in non-technical activities on the web, we're being end users and ironically enough, even Vint Cerf is engaged in end user activities on the web far more often than technical user activities because most of us are just using the internet most of the time. And so, the At-Large, and I'm just putting this out there as an initial way of thinking about this, the At-Large exists to protect and continually improve the end user experience.

So, part of the difficulty is that there isn't some of identified group of end users that you're either a member of or not a member of. It's a set of experiences of using the internet just as a user and it's that experience within the DNS context that we're trying to protect, enhance, and improve with our advocacy within the ICANN Community.

Next slide. So, that's why we touch a little bit on the discussion that we had this morning. We have a goal of having a persistence of that perspective. We're trying to basically embody that



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perspective when we go out and speak on behalf of the At-Large even though we may have other perspectives, as well. Many of us are in fact technical. I started as just a Software Developer, but what I try to do is think like an end user and bring that perspective to a discussion. So, rather than being the smartest people in the room, maintain that perspective.

The At-Large Community needs to be selective in the issues it chooses to pursue, focused, and consistent to the extent possible. And the rest of the time we're just individuals in local organizations and that's okay, too. But that's not what this is. And I think that's something that we'll probably end up discussing quite a bit and we don't have time to go into it in depth today, but I think describing us as just a loose collection of individuals in local organizations is not going to be an effective channel for influence within the ICANN Community. We need to focus on end user perspective and try to reach consensus on it.

Next slide, please. So, that's why we have this sort of messaging funnel that we've begun to talk about that the first question we ask about a particular issue is, is it within the ICANN's remit? We talked at one point online quite a bit about net neutrality but then we reached the conclusion that that wasn't something ICANN had control over. Even though it matters to end users, it's not something that we can take up within the ICANN context. And is



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there a specific end user perspective on this issue? Is all we're going to say is we think so, too, then let's say that. We can have one-line comments but is there a story? Is there a scenario? Is there an angle on the problem that as an end user specific way of talking about the problem? That's something that's a good chance, opportunity, for us to speak of.

And then can we reach consensus on this? Can we devote resources to developing our policy? And from there we come out with our messages. That's our process and it should get smaller and smaller each time. So that we're very focused and effective in the areas that we're most focused. Sebastien? Okay. Oh, sorry. You run the que. I just had a feeling I knew what Sebastien was going to say but go ahead, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you. When we talk about users, I think it really is worthwhile going back to what the Bylaws say because that's what creates the mandate that we have. It doesn't talk about end users. It talks about individual internet users. That differentiates us from worrying about corporate issues and a number of other things. We are there on behalf of internet users who are individuals acting purely on their own behalf and when we start using terms like end users and things like that it confuses the



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issue. So, sometimes we really need to go back to actual Bylaws.

Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Okay, thank you.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Alan get my point. When I start ICANN, I was the voice of big user company of ITC Stem and of internet when I was here. I joined the DNS Constituency. We were users but users of technology, users of internet, and here when I changed house I came here as an Individual End User Representative and it's important to keep that word or the word in the Bylaws but it's important individually, it's very important in the definition. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Okay, great. Noted. But again, we are all those individual users, so I hope my point still stands that when you're online making reservations, it doesn't matter that you're also a Software Developer. We are all individual users of the internet and if that experience of an individual user that we are trying to enhance and protect. Whoever's next, John.



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TIJANI BEN JEMAA:

Thank you very much. Tijani speaking. Jonathan, you spoke about capture from individuals coming from other constituencies. I am afraid this is something can happen and perhaps it is happening because when someone comes and say, "I am end user.", you cannot tell him, "Give me the proof." He's end user. Everyone is end user and the7 may be the Representative of my government, and my government has a very interesting thing to get from our work. I may be sent to the ALAC, be subscribed as end user, and come and say, "I am member of this and I can influence the decision inside ALAC." That's why in my point of view, our procedure of accepting individual membership, individual members, should change and we should have a real due diligence so that we don't have this kind of capture. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Okay, folks, we cannot have another hour-long conversation of a five-year discussion. We can't do that. Welcome to have a session on how we should change our structure, etcetera. That's not what this session is. So, I'm just trying to get to how we decide the topics that we're trying to focus on and that we're going to talk about those topics and we really want to make sure that we leave more than three minutes to talk about those topics so I ask you to



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reflect to yourself very hard before your raise your card if you're in the same meeting that the rest of us are. Thank you.

SATISH BABU:

Thank you. Satish, for the record. I'd like to refer to the triangle, the inverted triangle. The first layer is the ICANN remit. I was under the impression that the vast majority of our work was based on specific Policy Processes of ICANN. Committing to those and not the broad remit itself. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Yes, that's just the first filter. In other words, let's at the very least not take on topics that are outside of ICANN's remit. That's the thing we're trying to prevent.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yes. Thank you. Alan Greenberg. It's unfortunate that we use the term individual in terms of memberships for individuals within RALOs. That is a different definition, as I said, it's unfortunate. We're talking about who we're working on behalf of, that's individual internet users. There is a nomenclature problem with how we talk about membership and RALOs. Let's not confuse the issue. We're talking here about what do we care, who do we care



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about and what do we care about them in relation to. Not who our members are. Different issue.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

That's exactly right. Thanks, Alan. And that includes a representative of your government when he's trying to make restaurant reservations. So, that's my point is that it's about end user experience. Okay, next slide.

So, this is the discussion that, again, I'm hoping can be brief, but this is what we're trying to do. The distinction between this session and the talking point session that we were having is that this needs a sort of long-range topics of interest and is really actually specifically aimed at RALOs to be helpful to them to Sebastien's question. So, it's an overall issue. The talking points are specific to this meeting. It's a menu of priorities that the RALOs might draw from in developing their own priorities. And the RALOs should bring a reasonable perspective to these issues. Is the issue particularly acute in their region? What are the politics surrounding the issue in your region? Are the solutions different for your region? Are the communication channels different in your region, etcetera? So, prioritizing them, deciding whether it's a specific issue for your region, etcetera, is still the responsibility of RALOs. We're just trying to figure out again how to be helpful. Next slide, I think, is Joanna's. Oh, go ahead. John, go ahead.



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MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Thank you very much, Jonathan. For AFRALO, we did develop our own Hot Topics items. Then we went further in terms of listing them in a document and also, we have an implementation plan for it. That means for exactly we're going to do to raise awareness, do Policy Development on those issues. So, I'm not sure how... I mean, we will look at your list of issues. We might have overlapping issues that we definitely could work on together. We might have regional specific issues in our document that's not listed here but that work has been done so, we're happy to contribute on any work and implementation of pushing Policy Development or debate on that regard but we did our work for that.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

I'm aware. Some have, or some people are different places with their documents.

HUMBERTO CARRASCO:

Thank you very much, Jonathan. I'm going to speak in Spanish. Humberto Carrasco speaking. With respect to the Hot Topics, I've been very critical while Leader in LACRALO. I'm still being critical because I think the Hot Topics like a song in fashion. So, we're talking about DNS over HTTPs. And so, we cannot go back to a



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region and ask, "What's your opinion?" and then prepare an implementation plan based on that topic because I think that we should give another regional focus. It would be of more interest to all of us. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

This is a tough question. The other part of this issue, though, is that the only reason any of us are here is to provide advice to the processes that are going on inside ICANN. So, if you have something that's only of interest in your region and it's not ever going to make it up the pike to an ICANN Meeting or a PDP or a Board decision, etcetera, then it probably shouldn't be in your Hot Topics discussion. It should be something that some other Regional Organization is taking on. So that's part of why we're trying to figure out what's in ICANN's remit because all of this is meant to be a feeder system up to better educating your representatives, the ALAC, to take your point of view to the Board, to PDPs, to the GNSO, etcetera. That's the whole raison d'etre of the At-Large. That includes the RALOs even though they're regional. That's about prioritization. What you're going to work on. Where you're going to do outreach. But it still should be an issue that has to do with ICANN as a whole.



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FATIMATA SEYE SYLLA:

I'll be speaking in English. So, this is Fatimata for the record. I think, as you said, every RALO has its own specifics and for AFRALO we went through the process as Mohamed pointed out and now with your representation on from going to ICANN remits to MSG, we are at the level of finding resources to implement our plan, so I think this is the key issue we would like to be discussed or at least to have some ideas to go forward. I'm looking at Staff. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thank you for that and I think that's a real issue. The resources we are talking about right now are the Resources Develop Policy. So, the bottom of that pyramid is coming out with a Consensus Policy for the At-Large in that particular pyramid. Okay, Alan.

ALAN GREENBERG:

Thank you very much. Alan Greenberg. When we talk about regional interests and regional Hot Topics, we find that they are sometimes very different from each other. When we talk about regional positions on ICANN issues, over my 13 years' experience, there's very little variation by region. So, yes, the spread of the internet and accessibility is different in different regions but it's not an ICANN issue. On the ICANN issues themselves, my experience tells me there's relatively little difference on the



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positions we take. On occasion, there are differences. But it's not all that common. So, I think we need to focus. Yes, we are divided into regions but that doesn't imply that every region has a different position on the issues that we are discussing from an ICANN remit. Thank you. It might be, but it doesn't imply it.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

And it might imply different prioritization of the issue, depending on how it translates itself in the region. Go ahead.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you. Eduardo for the record. You see this thing about the Hot Topics and like you mentioned at the beginning to define a list of Hot Topics for the long-term where to me this long-term thing is very hard to do within the ICANN thing because I see Hot Topics are moving targets. You know things are being discussed now. You need input from the regions, so you can have different perspective and then create some kind of message. And I think that's what we need to have. These Hot Topics should be what the, in this case, CCWG is doing. Way ahead of time like the DNS over, for example. We take the DNS over HTTP, people are starting talking about that now but that should be a Hot Topic so when it gets other organizations involving this and developing some kind of policy or how it effects ICANN in the policy sense, we already



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are there, and you get all the... That's what I would consider Hot Topics.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Okay, I need to cut this short because we're going down a philosophical discussion and at this moment I don't care. This is a tool that you can choose to use or not use to help you in developing our Hot Topics Policy Document and so we're just going to go through it and try to have a discussion about what topics seem to be in or out of the bucket from the standpoint of ICANN's policy. So, we're not trying to advocate any kind of a structural reform here or anything like that. We're just trying to create a document that would be helpful. Okay?

HOLLY RAICHE:

The thought I had was, and it's what I'm going to present about tomorrow, there are a lot of things that we said way back with the Consumer Trust Choice stuff that probably are long-term. Subsequent Procedures are not going, sorry, the next round is not going to happen for a while and it seems to be we've got an opportunity to go back and say, what the hell did we say? In what areas were we ignored? And could we come up with some, a better framework to say, "Yes. At some point down the track we're



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probably going to have another round." To your point, how can we do it better?

HADIA ELMINIAWI:

Hadia Elminiawi for the record. I just wanted to add to Alan's point that what I think is the RALOs is just a structural thing in order to ensure representation from different regions but in the end, we are all one unit and we are not a competing entities. We are all one thing which is the ALAC and that's why in the end assumingly we are all working towards the same goal and as a group we agree through consensus on our concern as a group or important matters and issues as a group. Thank you.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Thank you very much. This is [inaudible] for the records. I just want to make a suggestion because it seems like you have a presentation to present and you've only gone halfway with the presentation. It is possible you finish up the presentation, then we'll now come back to questions because it seems it's opening some kind of worms and if we go down this line we're not going to finish this presentation. Thank you.



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JONATHAN ZUCK:

I couldn't agree more. So, yes, thank you. Let's move on. Because, yes. Let's just move on and if you have questions than we'll do that afterward. So, I'm going to now hand the microphone over to Joanna to go through some of these suggestions and let's have a substitutive discussion about them but let her get through the end of her slides.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you so much, Jonathan. I'll try to be brief. Just in terms of explanation, this exercise is supposed to serve two purposes. One is to identify the key topics that ALAC and At-Large want to take a position on. But the Community has been kind enough to task me with Capacity Building. I'm trying to do that to the best of my abilities and that list would help me tremendously. So, if there are any issues that we feel as a Community, we want to have a consensus opinion on and we might want to facilitate Capacity Building then having a list of those issues would serve that dual purpose and that supports everything that Jonathan has been saying about trying to identify where we stand on those general issues.

Please kindly note that those issues are suggested. It's our suggestion. I'll talk a little bit about background of this and history in a moment, but these are suggestions of as inclusive and broad topics as possible. So, they are supposed to be not moving



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targets, but rather broad narratives within which those moving targets fall into. This is a discussion paper. This is just a suggestion. You're more than welcome to strike all of those and suggest something different.

What I have done, what we have done as a group, is compare the Hot Topics Documents we've received from regions. Glenn was kind enough to set together a matrix. We've looked at all the topics that have been proposed. It was 19 topics overall. I've tried to rate who suggested which topics, how many votes, so to speak, each of those got. And what you have been seeing on that slide is a summary of that exercise. So, what I tried to do is I tried to look at the regional approaches and then filter out broader narratives that I felt were encompassing that regional interest.

So, this is a short list. You just have those topic suggestions that should... At this point it's a list of eight but we could go up as high as ten. I will go one by one but as already said just generally speaking they are to be broad and inclusive. Jonathan in the session this morning emphasized that we are trying to use Universal Acceptance as a testbed for policy making for decision development so that is at the top of my list and it is intentionally not numbered but it's just a suggestion. It seems as if there is a broad consensus on Universal Acceptance having relevance to all the policy work that is done with RALOs and within At-Large. As



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such so we have put that on the list and that has come up in the regions, as well.

The second topic is broad as could be, so I tried to refer to cybersecurity which would include security of use, DNSSEC. Those individual topics would come up in the RALOs. We can frame it as you wish or as you feel is best suited. But at the same time cybersecurity has been a topic, remains a topic, and will likely be the topic of increasing relevance in the years to come. So, it might make sense to have it here. Whatever specific topics fall under that umbrella will be to the Community to decide and try to provide Policy Recommendations on current cybersecurity issues. Please kindly note we have a Capacity Building session on Current Issues in Cybersecurity in these coming days.

Now, the second issue encompasses a few suggestions coming from various regions that focus right now around GDPR. About GDPR and WHOIS are the current debating points. There have been a few regions that suggested Human Rights as such. My understanding is that Human Rights is a very broad narrative so what we might want to do is we might want to look at them in the context of the end users of ICANN's Core Values and ICANN's remit. I've put this here but I'm happy to debate this and discuss it. The suggestion is to look at individual human rights as they came up with a very strong relationship to ICANN's mission.



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This fourth topic deals with Jurisdiction and Internet Governance. Again, a pertaining issue. The work of the Working concluded but Group has been there are some recommendations. Again, looking at their regional Hot Topics it seems that, again, the question of where the competence of ICANN ends and that of other actors begins remains to be a debated point. With that in mind I have also put Jurisdiction and Internet Governance here as an umbrella term that would help us attend to the issues that are of current relevance. So, this could also include topics such as cybersecurity or the WHOIS discussions where regional authorities are making decisions of what information should be exposed and what should not be made available, for example, to law enforcement.

So, the concept of Jurisdiction and Internet Governance is relatively broad, and it borders on the limits of ICANN's core remit and ICANN's competence. New gTLDs I think an obvious topic came up in all the RALOs. We will have discussions and sessions on that throughout the week and I think this topic is here with us to stay so that would, this broad warning of it, would allow us to react to whatever current issues are happening. ICANN's Transparency and Accountability in the context of user trust. So, how can we make sure that the way that ICANN operates builds user trust. Again, there's work being done on this which I'm sure most of you are well aware of. Right now, within ICANN but it is



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one of the pertaining issues that comes up practically every ICANN Meeting.

What I have been trying to achieve with the next suggestion, is something that I find At-Large is in best position to do. That is to facilitate consensus because we are so broad, because we are so diverse, because we represent such heterogeneous regions, as Milton said interests, we are the best platform to facilitate consensus. So, through this exercise of Policy Development on those various topics we are best suited to represent those varying interests within the Community. If we can make that into constant narrative, if we can take that into our consideration, I believe that would facilitate our policy making efforts, as well.

And then finally, my personal favorite, something that came up in the regions as well is Capacity Building. You might look at this as overall over-arching narrative, an over-all Hot Topic. So, Capacity Building is here with us to stay. Yrjo and myself, we've just come back from fruitful, what we find fruitful, session with the GAC who deals with the challenge of welcoming you newcomers every meeting. That might not exactly be the case of At-Large. We have a strong institutional memory with us here, but we do get the newcomers and we want to have more of those. So, in that sense once we do identify what those Hot Topics are, Capacity Building and finding the best way to attend to those topics and welcome



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newcomers and give them the instruments that they might need to embark on this Policy Making journey within ICANN would be something that we should keep in mind.

Somebody said, it's uneven list, so to speak. It's just eight positions here that we have so this is an open list. You're more than welcome to make suggestions. If we could move to the next slide, we've looked at that matrix. We've looked at regional issues and we tried to distill out those that we felt did not fall directly into ICANN's remit. You have that list here. Jonathan mentioned net neutrality. There seems to be consensus that even though net neutrality is a Hot Topic, it's outside ICANN's remit. So, again, it's just a suggestion for us to discuss and debate. If anyone feels strongly that any of those issues should be a pertinent remaining Hot Topic for At-Large, I'm more than happy to discuss that. But having looked at the core values it seems that the list you have here, although all those topics are highly relevant and really, really interesting, we felt that they are not as closely linked to ICANN's mission as those presented on the previous slide.

Just to go one by one, it's Public Interest Surveillance. It's not really security, it's more surveillance and privacy and human rights in that sense. Net Neutrality, Accessibility and Discrimination. We can look at that in the narrow scope in terms of the accessibility of ICANN resources, but we could not. We



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could also look at it otherwise as a very broad narrative and in that sense, we are trying to filter that out. Digital Literacy, we will work on Capacity Building, but Digital Literacy is a bit broader of a theme. With that, we've put this on this, let's call it, additional reserve list. And then Internet Access is already mentioned by some of the participants of this discussion this morning. Internet Access is a bit of a broader theme. And then, just as a reminder and for the newcomers in the room, on the last slide, I think it all fits into the last slide, I have the Core Values here just to give you an understanding of where ICANN stands and if we do have newcomers in the room which I hope is the case, that's your point of reference for us making, for the reasons why we made the decision that we did.

So, that's me trying to be very brief and eating up my own sentences there. But, that's the exercise, the intellectual exercise. We've made looking at the original Hot Topics that do not fall within ICANN's remit and suggesting a broad variety of encompassing umbrella themes we would suggest you might want to work on. Keeping in mind that those broad narratives will allow us to address specific topics and at the same time they should allow us to build capacity of the Community better understanding of where we want to go. I'm going to stop here. I'm going to hand the floor back to Jonathan but I'm happy to answer



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questions and more than thrilled to hear your responses. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

I think it's just a open que at this point.

JOHN LAPRISE:

This is John Laprise for the record. We have a que of Daniel, Sebastien, Holly, Olivier and Javier and we have 11 minutes left in this session, so Daniel is first.

DANIEL NANGHAKA:

Daniel, for the record. Thank you very much Joanna for the great work that you've done in scoping and outlining the key respective Hot Topics. One thing is that have you thought about developing an implementation plan of the Hot Topics and in what duration of time do you expect the topics to be made? And secondly, these are general Hot Topics that cover all globally. What about what is your strategy for the specific regional Hot Topics? Thank you.

JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you, Daniel. I'll try to answer that briefly. It's Joanna Kulesza for the record. Implementation plan will follow our decision to actually agree on those Hot Topics and once we have



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a list we'll think of an implementation plan, but I think the overall narrative is to have a general list of topics that will be implemented as challenges come so when there's an issue that we want to address we will work on that specific Hot Topic. But, as Jonathan indicated, the list is to be ready by Montreal so we're hoping for that to be the case. And in terms of regional topics, they are not contradictory so we can have the overall At-Large narratives that we're trying to identify here and then as already has been said the regions are more than welcome to work on topics that they feel are very relevant for their individual regions. I hope that answers your question. Thank you.

SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET:

Can I have the slide please and I will switch to French. Thank you very much, Joanna. Sebastien speaking. I feel like I have to go back to the past. The slides I saw, the topics on the slide... Do not confuse, let's not confuse, the Human Rights issue because it was already very complex debate, should we integrate that in the ICANN remit or not. If it becomes the core element and then we talk about UAs, I don't think that it's good. For me it's not good. Capacity Building, we have to do it all the time it's not a Hot Topic it's a way of working. So, let's not confuse those two points.

Let's, when you talk about jurisdiction, let's add the excellent work done by the Internet and Jurisdiction Group that met in



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Berlin not long ago. And if we look at the next slide, really, if after the second step, [inaudible] two, we are still talking about gender diversity. It's because I didn't do my work properly. We talk about diversity. There is a list of topics regarding diversity in ICANN and I can go back to that, but regarding gender. It's not gender diversity. It's equality, gender equality. Man, woman, equality. It's not about diversity but equality. We can talk about people that are in between, not man or woman, but the diversity is regard man-woman equality. Thank you.

JOHN LAPRISE:

John Laprise, for the record. Point of order. We have a remote question from Yeşim. Abdulkarim has also added into the que and Mohamed is added into the que and then we need to close questions for the end of the session, so Holly.

HOLLY RAICHE:

Holly Raiche, for the transcript records. Two things on diversity. I just take away that the term gender because it's not just gender diversity that we're talking about. And I'm probably repeating myself but I would like it put in that trust stuff. Some of the things that over the years we've talked about in a Competition Consumer Trust Consumer Choice Report we actually had a lot to say and I think we should probably be going back and actually



having a look at those so that when we look at Subsequent Procedures, but perhaps more generally there's a set of principles that took a few years to come up with and probably are still valuable. Thank you.

OLIVIER CREPIN-LEBLOND: Thank you very much, John. Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. Usually one uses the mic to point to someone. It's difficult for the interpreters to see pointing so. Quick one. So, Olivier Crepin-Leblond speaking. I mentioned it this morning at the wrong moment but in the EURALO Community we have a Wiki Page with our Hot Topics and with a history of our Hot Topics over the years. It might be helpful to have a similar Wiki Page which has got links to all of the RALO Hot Topics and then to make a table of the headers of each one of the Hot Topics from the different RALOs and the sixth column being the overall ALAC Hot Topics. Just as a measure of being able to compare things easily. Thank you.

JAVIER RÚA-JOVE:

Just quickly. Sorry, Javier Rúa-Jove for the record. In terms of the topics that are clearly outside of the remit, like I saw something on Access, Accessibility, Non-Discrimination. Maybe to the extent possible, issues like that one or that one specifically have a lot of relevance under some very specific within ICANN topics like the



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PDP, like the new gTLDs so there's a lot of discussion in the new gTLDs PDP on ways that we don't fall on the side of over-regulation to the point that it closes avenues for applicants and underserved communities. So, in a sense, these narratives can merge in some cases within ICANN remit, clear ICANN remit topics, so just a topic. Just a comment. Thanks.

YESIM NAZLAR:

Yeşim Nazlar. I can start. We have a comment from one of our remote participants, Alfredo Calderon. He says, all these topics might imply that RALOs may need to explore alternative mechanisms to bring up to speed its community, to better understand the issue in the context of ICANN remit. And he also continues, Jonathan has stated it clearly what is the issue, how does it impact individual internet users, do we need to make the statement advise At-Large ALAC. Thank you.

ABDULKARIM OLOYEDE:

Sorry. This is Abdulkarim for the record. I just want to make a comment. One is because all the RALOs have these Hot Topics and I'm thinking there seems to be a disconnect between the Hot Topics from the RALOs and the Hot Topics from ALAC and my question is what does ALAC want to achieve with this Hot Topic? I'll give an example with AFRALO. AFRALO only want to achieve is



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to educate members, is to build Capacity, and that's why we have those Hot Topics. Is it the same thing in this case? And when you started your presentation, it was about Policy Development. And one thing you've not mentioned in this presentation that I was looking forward to is how does ALAC develop the policies? How are policies developed? How do you push some of these statements out and things like that? Thank you.

JOHN LAPRISE:

I'm going to preempt you here. So, John Laprise for the record. If you want to get involved with Policy sign up for the Consolidated Policy Working Group and be on the list and intervene there. That's where policy and At-Large gets made at the Top-Level. So, Mohamed.

MOHAMED EL BASHIR:

Thank you, both of you, Jonathan and Joanna, for the work. Looking at the proposed Hot Topics it's almost 90 percent matching our regional AFRALO Hot Topics. I think we have maybe one or two different Hot Topics from our regional focus, so I think it's, moving forward, we need to consider how we can together utilize resources to do the Capacity Building and if there is Policy Development work. Clearly there's already track for Policy Development work that's already going on. I mean if you look at



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the new gTLDs Subsequent Procedures and all that but there's Capacity Building is important, and we started working with the Capacity Building Working Group and we had a couple of webinars. I think it's important that we unify our work, so we can work together on this.

The other point is diversity in participation. We have it in our Hot Topics and basically, we're looking at how ICANN could be more diverse, and we ensure that more people are participating meaningfully in ICANN. We're not looking outside ICANN remit. I think that's important. There's lots of issues there. Lastly, we have printed copies of AFRALO Hot Topics Report in ICANN booth. Please feel free to go there grab your copy if you want to see more details about the topics and what is our plans to do in terms of those topics. Thank you.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Thanks, and let's keep this conversation going. We're trying to build this resource document for Montreal and we continue to look at all these regional documents and how they're evolving and trying to make sure that we're focusing in like a funnel toward ultimately the ALAC being able to provide advice inside of the ICANN Community, so these things will be on the Wiki. Let's continue to have this conversations and thanks for participating today. Yeah, go ahead.



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JOANNA KULESZA:

Thank you everyone. That was most informative. If there are RALO calls that you guys need answer me on to help facilitate this narrative I'm happy to participate and to get your feedback on to that short document that we're trying to produce here. Thank you.

JOHN LAPRISE:

Alright, so this is John Laprise for the record. This closes this session. We're done for this session. There's a fifteen-minute transition break and then we'll be starting again at 1:30 or 13:30, the At-Large Introduction to the Empowered Community and ICANN Community Working Group Reports. We will see you in fifteen. Thank you.

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