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AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ALAC Statement on Proposed Incremental Changes to the ICANN Meetings Strategy

Introduction

Sebastien Bachollet, ALAC Member of the European Regional At-Large Organization (EURALO), Maureen Hilyard, ALAC Vice Chair and ALAC Member of the Asian, Australasian and Pacific Islands Regional At-Large Organization (APRALO), Tijani Ben-Jemaa, ALAC Member of the African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO) and Seun Ojedeji, ALAC Member of the African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO) developed an initial draft of the Statement on behalf of the ALAC.

On 06 January 2018, the first draft of the Statement was posted on its [At-Large Workspace](#).

On that same date, ICANN Policy Staff in support of the At-Large Community sent a Call for Comments on the Statement to the At-Large Community via the ALAC Work mailing list.

On 01 February 2018, a version incorporating the comments received was posted on the aforementioned workspace and the ALAC Chair requested that Staff open an ALAC ratification vote.

In the interest of time, the ALAC Chair requested that the Statement be transmitted to the ICANN public comment process, copying the ICANN Staff member responsible for this topic, with a note that the Statement is pending ALAC ratification.

ALAC Statement on ALAC Statement on Proposed Incremental Changes to the ICANN Meetings Strategy

The ALAC is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on “Proposed Incremental Changes to the ICANN Meetings Strategy”.

The ALAC agrees that no change is necessary regarding the Community Forum.

Regarding the Policy Forum, we are pleased to see the return of one of the very first proposals of the Meetings Strategy Working Group, regarding one full day dedicated to outreach, as ICANN is going (or is supposed to go) to new locations. The number of days must be at least 5 for the participants of outreach activities, and 4 for other activities.

Concerning the Annual General Meeting (AGM), our suggestion is to have 6 full days and one additional for groups and community leadership, which need to perform internal activities/meetings, including wrap-up sessions.