

Notes from NPOC Executive Committee Meeting

Present: Joan Kerr, Raoul Plommer, Dave Cake, Juan Manuel Rojas, Oreoluwa Lesi

Apologies: Caleb Ogundele

ICANN64 Preparations:

- Juan will contact Ali AIMeshal of ALAC before proposed the Jan. 20 preparatory meeting to discuss the planned outreach session for Kobe, to gain more clarification on what they have in mind, so as to better prepare for the meeting.
- Juan has reached out to ISOC global membership policy director and asked them to contact and invite their Japanese members to our planned session.
- Joan mentioned that the initial plan for the joint session was considered too broad, so it was looking like the session will be a joint presentation of what NPOC and ALC do. Joan and Maureen Hillyard will discuss further.
- **Action Items:**
- **Juan will speak with Ali AIMeshal to prepare for the Jan 20 meeting and Joan will continue discussions with Maureen Hillyard.**

Chairing Skills Workshop:

- Raoul has completed the application for the workshop.

Website Update:

- Caleb was unavailable, but Raoul mentioned that:
 - We have purchased a web-hosting plan with Better Hosting (Euro 76.31) and Theme (Euro 72.25). Paid for from the NPOC funds in his account.
 - The EXCOM mailing list was corrupted and deleted by the hosting company since October 2018. Not sure what happened to it.

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- We should consider asking Maryam Bakoshi or centralise the list where the NCSG and NCUC lists will be located.
- **Action Item:**
- Everyone needs to review the website strategy document and add their suggestions: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1y7DOpkqocqNWCWKE9vMFrmf_OO_AEkQwkyuSR9mymPU/edit

Cloud Storage:

- Raoul: The Dropbox option turned out too expensive (2TB access for 7 members at USD 800 per year), so we started exploring Google Drive.
- However, there is the option of adding a Wordpress plugin and use our new web-host as our own cloud storage, which looks like a more secure method. We will explore this option more.
- **Action Items:**
 - Raoul & Caleb: Will look at the intricacies of using the host server as our cloud storage; pros and cons.

Publicity Campaign – Juan:

- We discussed what publicity items to make and it was decided that we should make booklets, stickers and business cards (possibly 100 of each). The business cards will have the central NPOC email address (need to decide whether info@npoc.org or excom@npoc.org).
- Juan will check what materials we have already and pull together the information needed for either design (of business cards) or printing (stickers and booklets). He will need to keep the deadlines in mind: 2 Jan 2019: Design & Print; 1 Feb: Translation; 11 Feb: Print.
- **Action Item:**
- Juan: Will check what materials we have already and pull together the information needed for either design (of business cards) or printing (stickers and booklets)
- Decide whether to use info@npoc.org or excom@npoc.org on business card

Raoul: Charter:

- Raoul: We received feedback from John More on the Charter. Among the feedback, we need to make EC roles either as consistently general or consistently specific as possible.
- There were discussion from an earlier meeting on whether to have co-chairs for the policy committee and other committees and how that would work.
- **Action Items:**
- We will wait for the revised draft from John More and Raoul will coordinate our next steps.
- At next EC meeting, we should discuss if we want to add a Treasurer role to the charter and if we want to become a legally registered entity.

Finance / Regulatory Issues [Getting a legal registration, Opening a Bank Account] – Raoul:

- Raoul updated the committee on his findings on setting-up a bank account for NPOC in Finland. The main challenge is that the co-signatories would need to present themselves at the bank.
- Estonia appears to be the only place in the world, where a bank account can be opened from anywhere in the world without the need of a physical visit to the bank via its e-residency programme.
- **Action Items:**
- Raoul: Wait for another week to see the comments and any consensus shaping on the NCSG mailing discussion list and we can make a decision afterwards.
- We might also need to check in with ICANN bylaws to see what it says about a constituency opening a bank account or registering as a nonprofit organisation.

Policy Committee - Dave:

- Dave doesn't feel that NPOC needs to contribute to every public comment opportunity, especially if NCSG has submitted a comment that accurately captures our thoughts and which NPOC members contributed to.

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- Proposes a PC call for the last week of January, through this is contingent upon hearing back from Patrick Jones.
- Dave plans for the subsequent PC calls to raise awareness of various hot topics among the NPOC members. He proposes February: Universal Acceptance; March: Auction Proceeds; April: EPDP.
- Another possible topic is the budget process.
- **Action Items:**
- Raoul will send the list of NPOC members interested in joining the PC to Dave, so he can follow-up with them,
- Dave will confirm and schedule the PC meetings

Additional Budget Request – Joan:

- Reminded Raoul that she and he need to work on the budget request and submit it
- **Action Items:**
- Joan and Raoul work on the ABR submission

Next Meetings:

- Last week of Jan (tentative): PC Meeting
- Feb 12: Tracking meeting (Joan & Oreoluwa)
- Feb 19: EC Meeting