ICANN Meeting Venues

27-28 June 2017, Johannesburg
1. In Hyderabad the ccNSO Council raised concerns regarding the venue for ICANN60 (Abu Dhabi) with the ICANN Board

2. The ccNSO Council postponed decision on the participation of the ccNSO in ICANN60

3. Need your advice!
Why do we hold meetings in different places?
ICANN Bylaws

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In performing its Mission, ICANN must operate in a manner consistent with these Bylaws for the benefit of the Internet community as a whole, carrying out its activities in conformity with relevant principles of international law and international conventions and applicable local law, through open and transparent processes that enable competition and open entry in Internet-related markets.
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Seeking and supporting broad, informed participation reflecting the functional, geographic, and cultural diversity of the Internet at all levels of policy development and decision-making to ensure that the bottom-up, multistakeholder policy development process is used to ascertain the global public interest and that those processes are accountable and transparent.
Guiding Principles

1. Sufficient face-to-face time for policy development
2. Next level of equal footed cross-constituency interaction
3. Efficient use of community
4. Qualitative participation
5. Design that allows for growth
6. Increase the credibility of ICANN with the broader global community
ICANN Meeting Strategy

1. Continue 3 meetings annually
2. Continue regional rotation
3. Balance global coverage on a multi-year cycle
4. Evolve the rotation strategy
5. Not restrict rotation to specific locations
6. Continue to allocate adequate time for SO/AC work
7. Evolve the format to afford greater opportunity for cross-community engagement and outreach
How does ICANN select meeting venues?

What is the current process and criteria? Does the process meet the principles above?
Next Meeting: Abu Dhabi

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Quotes from Advisories

• Travellers and residents alike may be asked to prove their marital status when checking in to a hotel room together
• Sex outside of marriage, adultery and homosexual acts and relationships are considered illegal in the UAE
• There have been instances where victims of sexual assault have been detained after reporting an incident to police or seeking medical assistance
• The use of bad language, rude gestures, and public displays of affection, and behaviour that disrespects the Government, local culture or Islam, may result in complaints and charges being laid by the local authorities
Quotes from Advisories

• Sentences for drug trafficking can include the death penalty
• You should not photograph people without their permission, as this can lead to arrest and/or fines
• Posting photos and videos to social media, without express consent, can be against the law
• Increasingly terrorists look for targets that aren’t well-protected places, and where westerners can be found
• U.S. citizens, especially women, should take precautions against the possibility of verbal and physical harassment or sexual assault when walking alone, consuming alcohol, or riding in a taxi cab. Female travelers should also be cognizant that unwitting actions may invite unwanted attention.
'It was the best news at the worst time': Father of lifeguard jailed in Abu Dhabi for sex outside marriage after doctor discovered his fiancée was pregnant reveals baby joy and heartbreak at his son behind bars

- Emlyn Culverwell, 29, and Iryna Nohai, 27, were arrested on January 29
- The arrests came after Nohai went to a clinic when she was suffering from stomach cramps and was told she was pregnant
- Sex outside marriage is illegal in the UAE, and those convicted can face jail
- Culverwell and Nohai have not been charged because authorities are still investigating how long the couple was sexually active
- Culverwell has worked in UAE for five years and first started dating Nohai in 2014

By JANE FLANAGAN IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA, FOR MAILONLINE

Queensland woman tells of her jail hell in United Arab Emirates

By Kay Dibben, The Sunday Mail (Qld)
March 26, 2011, 4:01pm

A QUEENSLAND woman spent eight months in a United Arab Emirates jail for adultery after complaining to police about being drugged and raped by co-workers.

Alicia Gali, 29, yesterday detailed her harrowing ordeal after filing a Queensland lawsuit against the five-star international resort where the attack allegedly took place in 2008.

Warning other women against going to the UAE, Ms Gali said she endured eight months in a crowded prison room with up to 30 other women after she complained to authorities of being raped.

"These countries don't have the same laws as us. You can end up in serious trouble," she said.

Apart from her family, no one in Australia knew Ms Gali had been jailed for adultery and illegal drinking, because Australian embassy staff advised her and her family not to go to the media.

"It was just traumatising," she said.

Abu Dhabi Jails Woman for Facebook Picture of Car

Jodi Magi has ‘zero idea’ why she's in trouble for post about parking

By Jean Gidman, Newser Staff
Posted Jul 14, 2015 9:00 AM CDT
Updated Jul 19, 2015 7:00 PM CDT

(NEWSEER) – They could have just washed her mouth out with soap, but instead Abu Dhabi officials threw Australian Jodi Magi in jail for posting a picture of a parked car online, Australia’s ABC News reports. It started in February when Magi, annoyed at a driver who took up two handicap-parking spaces in her apartment’s lot, posted a photo (since removed, per the Sydney Morning Herald) of the car on Facebook. The 39-year-old didn’t include any identifying elements in the photo, the ABC notes—but the next thing she knew, a complaint was filed and she was in an Abu Dhabi courtroom, where she was found guilty under a UAE cybercrime law of “writing bad words on social media about a person,” hit with a $2,700 fine, and told she’d be deported from Abu Dhabi, where she’s lived since 2013. Asked by ABC what she had done,
A Hamilton teacher is jailed in Abu Dhabi

A Stoney Creek woman is in a notoriously overcrowded prison in Abu Dhabi, after airport screeners found traces of marijuana in her bag. Heather Augustyn's family is very worried, but they don't want to talk about her case publicly. They think any attention that casts the United Arab Emirates in a negative light might affect her chances of getting out of jail. But the story is important, especially for anyone thinking of travel to the United Arab Emirates.

Photos and quotes on 27-year-old Heather Augustyn's social media pages show her love of travel and messages from her students show how much she is appreciated as a teacher. In June 2015, Augustyn's Facebook shows she graduated

http://www.chch.com/hamilton-teacher-jailed-abu-dhabi/
Here are some links...

New Zealand considering extra security on Middle East flights

'It was the best news at the worst time': Father of lifeguard jailed in Abu Dhabi for sex outside marriage after doctor discovered his fiancée was pregnant reveals baby joy and heartbreak at his son behind bars

Australian woman jailed in Abu Dhabi for Facebook post

Abu Dhabi Jails Woman for Facebook Picture of Car

American woman held in Abu Dhabi for refusing to talk to men at airport

LGBT rights in the United Arab Emirates
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_in_the_United_Arab_Emirates

UAE woman executed over killing of American teacher in Abu Dhabi
More links...

A Hamilton teacher is jailed in Abu Dhabi
http://www.chch.com/hamilton-teacher-jailed-abu-dhabi/

Dubai the epicentre of human trafficking and prostitution

Brit Dad-of-two thrown in hell-hole Abu Dhabi jail for nine months for alleged drug smuggling and then released without charge – but authorities won’t return his passport

Horrifying: Australian Woman Gang Raped in Dubai – Then Jailed 8 Months for Sex Outside Marriage
http://www.theblaze.com/news/2013/05/13/horrifying-australian-woman-gang-raped-in-dubai-then-jailed-for-8-months-for-sex-outside-marriage/

References to Flogging and Stoning and Sexual Assault
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Women_in_the_United_Arab_Emirates
And more links...

Scarred by the savage lash of Islamic justice

Torture and flogging

Teenager to be lashed for adultery

Two women sentenced to death for adultery
http://www.khaleejtimes.com/article/20130925/ARTICLE/309259957/1011

Dubai: Alleged victim of gang rape sentence to one year in prison

Man to get 80 lashes for drinking alcohol
And even more links...

Dubai’s Shameful Record on Rape

Queensland woman tells of her jail hell in United Arab Emirates

Tourists in UAE warned against reporting crimes as woman faces jail for reporting rape to police

Woman fined and deported from United Arab Emirates for checking husband’s phone

Jodi Magi: Australian woman jailed in Abu Dhabi over Facebook posts calls for reform of UAE justice system
Some Key Facts by Lonely Planet About Women Travellers to the UAE

• You don’t have to wear a burka, headscarf or veil

• You won’t be constantly harassed

• It's safe to take taxis, stay alone in hotels and walk around on your own in most areas.

• However, you are likely to receive unwanted male attention and long, lewd stares on public beaches

ICANN Beach Party anyone?
Top Tips for Women Though...

• Wear a wedding ring – it will make you appear less ‘available’ (but be ready for awkward questions about abandoning your home and kids).
• If you’re unmarried but travelling in male company, say that you’re married rather than girlfriend/boyfriend.
• Avoid direct eye contact with men (dark sunglasses help).
• Don’t sit in the front seat of taxis unless the driver is a woman.
• On public transport, sit in the women’s section towards the front.
• If you need help for any reason (directions etc), ask a woman first.

Source: Lonely Planet
Top Tips for Women Though...

• If dining alone, eat at Western-style places or ask to be seated in the ‘family’ section of local eateries.
• If you’re being followed, go to the nearest public place, preferably a hotel lobby. If this doesn’t discourage them, ask the receptionist to call the police, which usually makes them slink away.
• Look and be confident. This is the best deterrent for unwanted attention.

Source: Lonely Planet
## ccNSO opt-out:

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Do you support participation of the ccNSO in the ICANN meeting in Abu Dhabi?
Thank you!