

ALAC Chair, Olivier MJ Crépin-Leblond, response to ccNSO request for input on issues of joint interest:

Olivier is responding to a discussion that Ron had with him, and with Cheryl Landon Orr (ALAC/ccNSO Liaison), about Lesley's earlier request concerning ALAC interest in cross community interaction on specific items of public interest, and ALAC-ccNSO interaction on issues of mutual interest.

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From: Olivier MJ Crepin-Leblond ocl@gih.com

Date: Fri, May 25, 2012 at 11:05 AM

Subject: Re: Cross community concerns

Dear Ron,

Thank you for your patience. I am now able to follow up with you on the matter below concerning (a) ALAC-ccNSO interaction outside the SO/AC interactions and (b) common interest within the SO/AC interactions.

(a) ALAC-ccNSO interaction

Further to the ALAC ExCom call yesterday, as well as the discussion on the ALAC call, it was decided that there was no need for an ALAC-ccNSO meeting in Prague but it is expected that both our communities would benefit greatly if they were to meet in Toronto. We should engage starting from Prague in order to work out an agenda and make a Toronto session as useful as possible.

One particular concern which the ALAC has expressed on several occasions to the Public Participation committee, is that of the 21 day minimum comment period. This directly contravenes the minimum comment period which the At-Large/ALAC Review process defined as 40 days. As an advisory committee, we are able to comment in and out of comment periods so we are able to unilaterally not follow the 21 day comment period, but are engaged in discussion with the Public Participation Committee to avoid having to overrule this 21 day comment period unilaterally.

Cheryl Langdon Orr informed us during the ALAC meeting that similar problems were faced in the ccNSO, so I think we might have a common problem that we might wish to join forces on. Should the ccNSO decide to produce a statement on the matter, rest assured that the ALAC would be ready to consider supporting it.

On the subject of ALAC-ccNSO collaboration, I would like to share with you that the ALAC has started collaborating with the ASO, initiating bylateral discussions between RIRs and RALOs, searching if we can find fields in which those organizations can help each other. I firmly believe there is a path for us to explore with the ccNSO too.

(b) SO/AC Interactions at ICANN meetings

On this subject, the ALAC has sent a note to ICANN Staff regarding the public SO/AC meetings which we have been told are likely to be re-started in Prague.

I have relayed to Filiz Yilmaz the At-Large Community's Choices, are provided on a WIKI by our members:

Quoting my email to Filiz:

"The At-Large community's choices for subjects are:

1. Conflicts of Interest. This could expand in the realm of Conflicts of Interest vs. Volunteerism. The Board has taken the unprecedented step of creating an "unconflicted sub-group". Is this the best way forward? Is ICANN faced with a structural problem? Can this be resolved without losing the very pillars of this community?

2. ACTA/SOPA/PIPA and other government-led initiatives to control the Internet. How do all of these affect ICANN and its multi-stakeholder model? This session can follow-up on the very successful ccNSO session that took place in Costa Rica

3. ICANN Cross Community Activities and Work Groups - What When Where and How to best utilise these? In light of the GNSO's work for its own participation in CCWGs, it would be interesting to collect views across ICANN on the usefulness of CCWGs in breaking down silos. etc.

4. Geographic Regions Review. Where are we now? Where are we heading? Would it affect diversity in ICANN?

The consensus, from personal discussions I've had across the At-Large community, is that the use of coloured red/green/white sheets of paper for audience participation is very much liked so we hope that this will indeed be in use.

There was also a feeling that several topics should be discussed, rather than just a single topic. Hence, please be so kind to pick several topics from the above."

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Ron, I trust that you will be able to relay all of this information to the ccNSO leadership and look forward to our renewed collaboration. Of course if you have any questions, don't hesitate to email me.

Warmest regards,

Olivier MJ Crépin-Leblond

ALAC Chair

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