At-Large Advisory Committee Activity Report

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The At Large Advisory Committee

- ICANN created Interim At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) last year
  - Framework of local, regional groups to promote <u>structured involvement</u> and <u>informed participation</u> of world's individual Internet user community ("At-Large")
  - Outreach activities to encourage groups worldwide to join ICANN At-Large
  - Advocacy activities to advance user interests in ICANN on critical issues

At-Large Structures	→	Regional At-Large Organizations	→	At-Large Advisory Committee

Committee Activities (since Rome, March 2004)

- **At-Large organizing**
  - Outreach through mailing lists and website
  - At-Large Structure applications
  - At-Large Structure accreditation process
  - Asia/Pacific regional workshop in KL
  - Budget request to expand work in all regions
- **Policy development**
  - Three WHOIS task forces
  - Other GNSO activities (new TLDs, WIPO2, dot net…)
  - IDN Workshop in KL
  - Public meeting in KL
- **More activities**
  - WSIS

At-Large Organizing

- Continuing application of the approval process
  - Voting to certify more groups as At-Large Structures every couple of months
  - Prepared "welcome package" for certified groups
- Discussion list for At-Large Structures
- Currently 16 groups certified as At-Large Structures + 5 applications under due diligence
  (in Rome: 10 + 6)

At-Large Organizing

- ● Current list of certified At-Large Structures:
    - Società Internet (Europe)
    - Arab Knowledge Management Society (Asia/Aust./Pac.)
    - Alfa-Redi (Latin America/Caribbean Islands)
    - FITUG (Europe)
    - Internet Society Luxembourg A.S.B.L. (Europe)
    - Internet Society Bulgaria (Europe)
    - Moroccan Internet Society (Africa)
    - Anais.AC (Africa)
    - Sudan Internet Society (Africa)
    - Internet Society - Finland (Europe)
    - Catalan Chapter of the Internet Society (Europe)
    - Asoc. Costarricense de Derecho Info. (Latin America-Carib.)
    - Internet Society Vasudhay Kutumbhkum (Asia-Aus.-Pac.)
    - ISOC Taiwan Chapter (Asia-Aus.-Pac.)
    - At Large@China (Asia-Aus.-Pac.)
    - Natl. Info. Infra. Enterprise Promotion Assoc. (Asia-Aus.-Pac.)

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- Current list of applications under due diligence:
    - ISOC-DRC (based in D.R. Congo),
    - Communications and Multimedia Consumer Forum of Malaysia (CfM) (based in Malaysia),
    - Internet Users Network (based in Japan),
    - America@Large (based in USA),
    - Intellectual Property & Technology Section of the Hawaii State Bar Association (based in USA)
- Regional activities ongoing
    - Talks for AP RALO, public meeting here in KL
    - Organization of an African secretariat ongoing

Budget

- Budget request
  - Part-time "At Large support" needed in each region
    - Devoted to At-Large outreach, accreditation and activity support
    - In-region support for volunteers needed
  - Increased travel funding
    - Travel to regional civil society meetings
    - Participation by Cmt reps to some global meetings
  - Pursuing grants for At-Large participation
  - We hope to get support from other constituencies

Policy activities: Whois

- Continuing work in the task forces
    - Data publication should be registrant-driven
    - Privacy is a fundamental right for individuals
    - There can't be accuracy without privacy
    - Accuracy should be increased by cooperation, not by force
    - Make it easier to keep data updated
    - Decentralization

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More activities: WSIS

- Informal participation by some ALAC members in WSIS and in related events
- WSIS workshop co-organized here in KL
- Very important that the ICANN community:
  - is informed about what is happening at WSIS
  - mobilizes local Internet communities
  - participates in the upcoming UN WG activities
- Key points
  - Support for public-private partnership and ICANN
  - Open, inclusive and transparent process in the UN WG
  - ALAC willing to participate in UN working group

Thank you

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