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MARYAM BAKOSHI: Thank you, everyone, for attending the call today. This is the NCUC Members call on Tuesday, 14 February 2019, at 13:00 UTC.

On the call today, we have Antonella Perini, Claire Craig, Julf Helsingius, Michael Karanicolas, Mili Semlani, Olga Kyryliuk, Sharon Empatage, Taiwo Peter Akinremi, Thato Mfikwe. From staff, we have myself, Maryam Bakoshi.

I would like to remind all participants to please state your name before speaking for transcription purposes. Over to you, Bruna.

BRUNA SANTOS: Thank you very much, Maryam. [inaudible] I would please ask for anybody with a mic open to mute it just so we get to hear everybody properly.

Once again, welcome, everyone. This is the first NCUC members call for 2019. On the agenda for today, we will have a little bit of discussion around our recent call for this year with the ICANN CEO. We will also have some EC regional briefings. I'll mention and I'll also welcome everybody else [inaudible] for our meetings at ICANN 64. And the rest is just kind of an [informal part] in which I will mention our open calls representatives at the NCSG committee and our submitted ABRs.

Starting on the first item of the agenda, on the last Thursday, both me and Louise attended a [one-on-one] with the ICANN CEO. It's kind of a standard meeting they have been doing. This is supposed to happen

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every [three] months. So this was my first opportunity to talk with Göran as the NCUC chair.

As the agenda, we put forward to discuss three items: the future of civil society at ICANN, some things around NCUC funding and also the strategic plan, and last but not least NomCom representation. The agenda kind of drifted in between [those things], and we started with the broader discussion of the future of civil society at ICANN.

[At the opportunity], Göran mentioned the five-year strategic plan that's supposed to [inaudible]. He mentioned this as an opportunity for NCUC and all of ICANN community members to highlight the [various] [inaudible] civil society should stay within the ICANN governance model and also [what we wanted], how did we see ourselves within this.

He mentioned also that without NCUC and At-Large or NCSG as well, the model wouldn't [inaudible] and the multi-stakeholder model for him was very important. We just needed to [inaudible] the discussion between the community members [inaudible] without breaking the [inaudible] for each other.

Also about [this], he mentioned that there will be in a strategic session in Kobe that will gravitate around it and also discuss the role of advice from ACs and the role of community members and the role of [inaudible]. So he recommended that this would be a strategic – and not to be redundant – but an important session for us to attend.

Also about civil society and representation at ICANN, we did talk a little bit about representation. Both me and Louise pointed out that we have different [sorts of] diversity, whether it's gender, language, or the

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regional diversity at ICANN. And this is something that we should be [inaudible] doing.

Last but not least, he said that we do need to think about how the multi-stakeholder model evolved. And he mentioned the [inaudible] EPDP has been a symbol of that. He knew that some of the contracted parties thought that GDPR compliance was restricted to them, but then all the effort [that we see with the] EPDP to him were very representative of the importance of civil society within this [discussion].

So this was pretty much the discussion we had around the future of civil society at ICANN. Other than that, we highlighted the importance of [resources] such as ABRs and CROP for NCUC. We did talk a little bit about [like maybe] the restrictions of CROP and how it was rather difficult for us to work on [inaudible] that were divided regionally. And again, Göran's answer to this was for us to watch out for next year's operating plan and the five-year strategic plan that's [inaudible].

He mentioned that this would be an opportunity for us to properly engage, not that we are not engaging with that. I know NCSG has been very active with regards to [commenting].

On the budget note, he mentioned that the next year's FY20 we need to be more active in this discussion because he will be more open to – I mean, what he said [inaudible] is that he could suggest but it's the community who decides. So [inaudible] the focus of the next year's [inaudible] will be making community more active in setting the priorities for ICANN.

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And he did mention [inaudible] funding that [inaudible] could not be changed. This would be around the IANA transition and [inaudible] [meetings]. [inaudible] of being more cost effective, he would welcome the community [inaudible] and should we have these type of meetings, should we do more or less outreach, or whatever else we are requiring from them.

Last but not least on the call with the CEO, we talked a little bit about NomCom representation. We did highlight [inaudible] we did highlight the need for more, for better and strong representatives from regions such as [inaudible] Africa and [inaudible] which is a leadership position also for more females in leadership positions within ICANN. And we did [speak] to him a little bit about our [inaudible] for being better represented within the NomCom.

So about the call with Göran, this is pretty much it. I don't know if Louise wants to add anything or if anyone else wants to comment on that. If so, the mic is open for now.

LOUISE MARIE HUREL:

Hi. Sorry, I just joined in, so apologies for being late. I'm not sure if you mentioned the new plan for ICANN governance that Göran was talking about [inaudible]. Did you mention that already?

BRUNA SANTOS:

I did elaborate a little bit about this, but [inaudible].

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LOUISE MARIE HUREL: No, that's fine. No problem. I just wanted to make sure that just stay tuned [inaudible] coming for the next fiscal year and the changes [inaudible] place for structural changes. So I do think that as a community we have to be quite active and quite involved in [inaudible] especially now in Kobe after this process that happened in the past meeting, if I'm not mistaken, of gathering input from the community and rethinking the governance model. So, yeah, if I could flag, I think that was the main concern or the main area that I would highlight from our discussion. But that's all. I just wanted to reinforce that.

BRUNA SANTOS: If anyone else, the mic is still open if anyone else wants to maybe ask some questions about this or [inaudible].

ELSA SAADE: [inaudible]

BRUNA SANTOS: Your audio is very, very low, so if you could speak a little bit closer to the microphone.

ELSA SAADE: Can you hear me now? Hello, can you hear me now, Bruna?

BRUNA SANTOS: Yes, we can hear you.

ELSA SAADE:

Thank you so much for the update, Bruna, about the CEO. Sorry about my voice. I'm really sick. I think it's very important what happened, but listening to the last part when we mentioned [inaudible] Africa and [LAC], I don't know, I must have heard you wrong. But I'll just take this chance to ask if we could all just be careful about something that I've been noticing recently. In many of the GSE reports of ICANN, there's always a distinction between Middle East, Africa. And generally speaking at ICANN there is Asia Pacific. Normally when it comes to Middle East there's no distinction of the Middle East.

I just thought I would put it out there maybe just to point it out and put it on the table for us members to just keep an eye out for those distinctions that have been starting to take place, especially that governance model is almost also going to change soon. And I'll also take the chance to highlight the importance of keeping an eye out on how the governance model is going to change. Because it's probably going to affect us as NCUC and NCSG members. So thank you so much, Bruna, for being hands-on on this and Louise. And, yeah, I hope I didn't take too much space. I'm sorry about my voice again.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Thanks very much, Elsa, for that. Yeah, I do agree with [inaudible] differentiation. And maybe the definition of the regions is not as accurate as it should be. But I was just highlighting that [inaudible] that we spoke with Göran with regards to representation was on the need to

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bring more people from these regions that are underrepresented. So I do agree with the point you just made.

And with regards to the governance plan, yeah, this is pretty much the message that both me and Louise have been trying to get across. The need for us to be very, very [involved] with it. It's starting in Kobe, Göran mentioned the strategic session that we should all join. I am not sure if there's still a clash within the [agenda]. So [inaudible] with maybe Marrakech strategic planning session with these strategic sessions. But this is something we can sort out. But this is also a call for all NCUC members to be present at this discussion and for us to be properly involved in it.

So if there isn't any comment or any follow up, [inaudible] we can go on with the next agenda item. Okay, so moving on, our next agenda item is the EC regional briefings. This is something we did last year and we wanted to [inaudible] start doing again, which is a moment for our EC representatives to give us a little bit of update of what's happening within the regions and how we have been [evolving] and spreading the NCUC word around.

So I guess I had in line Michael, Louise, and Antonella. I don't know who is starting, so if you want to start, either Michael or Antonella, please raise your hand and you'll have [the floor]. Go ahead, Michael.

MICHAEL KARANICOLAS: Hi. Thanks. Just a quick update, which is that Canadian IGF is coming up shortly for anyone who is either in Toronto or wants to follow on remotely. I have just found out. I'm going to be there. It's an event that

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takes place in Toronto on February 27. There's also an option for patching in remotely. I'll put the website in the chat. I just wanted to mention it because there's a lot of ICANN folks that are going to be there and a lot of NCUC folks that are going to be there. Joe Catapano is one of the speakers. Our own [inaudible] is going to be there. I think Sarah Ingle is on the agenda as well. So there's going to be a strong NCUC presence. And if you go to the link, there's an option for remote participation. And I'd encourage you all to check it out. That's my North American update.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Antonella, [you have the floor]. Thank you very much, Michael.

ANTONELLA PERINI:

Thank you, Bruna. I would like to highlight two topics which might be of interest to our NCUC members from Latin America and the Caribbean. First of all, I wanted to remind everyone that during the Kobe public meeting we will have a [inaudible] session. This has been held in previous meetings, and this one will be no exception. [inaudible] recommend [inaudible] attending [inaudible] meeting to [inaudible] constituencies or groups and especially to bring what we do [inaudible] to the table. Of course, [inaudible]. It is also highly recommended for those of us who will be joining online.

And on the other hand, there is still an open call in order to identify the [inaudible] decision. And I will be putting the link on the chat. And [inaudible] finally [inaudible] very much related though. The recent open call for fellowship opportunities to attend LACNIC and learn a little



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bit more about it. The next meeting will be held [in May] in the Dominican Republic, and applications close on February 28 [inaudible]. [inaudible] represented at these kind of [places], so this is one of those places where we should be getting more presence and is a really good opportunity to [inaudible] who are interested to apply, and I will also be leaving the link on the chat.

So that will be all for the moment, and [thank you].

BRUNA SANTOS:

[inaudible], Antonella. Louise is up next, and then I'll open the queue for comments and then, Claire, I'm seeing your hand up as well. So [inaudible].

LOUISE MARIE HUREL:

Hi, everyone. For those of you who don't know me, I'm Louise Marie Hurel. I am the representative for the European region. The middle of January, there was a preparatory meeting for EuroDIG, which is the European Dialogue, which is set to take place in The Hague this year between the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of June. So all of those from the region, feel free to reach out.

I was in the prep meeting, and there were a lot of discussions setting up the agenda and thinking about how to [inaudible] between different sections, such as access [and] literacy, development of the [inaudible] ecosystem, human rights, security and crime. And, obviously, this is a very important place, a very strategic place also for some ICANN discussions. There was a submission, and I'm going to share now the

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consolidated plan that they just posted earlier this week – or the previous week. And there is one of the topics that are within the development [inaudible] ecosystem is ICANN: What Will Come Out of the Work Stream 2 Work?

So I just wanted to update you folks on that. I'm sharing the consolidated program for your information in case you're interested or you [think] we might as NCUC consider participating or helping work on the organization of this specific topic. There are a lot of opportunities to do so. We can talk more about that, but I just wanted to let you know this.

There was also the Computers, Privacy and Data Protection conference, which was at the end of January. And ICANN [inaudible] because the GSE organized a session on Ensuring Domain Name Data is Safe: The WHOIS Experience of Balancing Cybersecurity and Privacy Needs in the Era of GDPR and Major Evolution of Privacy Legislation Around the World. I'm also sharing that [inaudible] so you're aware of what's happening in the region.

As you might already expect, it was a fiery discussion on [inaudible] how can we safeguard privacy and data protection vis-à-vis the need for third-party access to WHOIS data. So all of the work that the EPDP has been doing tirelessly working on [inaudible] and now we're actually in a very strategic moment of publishing of the report. I don't know how many of you have been following that. But it's good to just give you a view of what's been happening in the region and the discussions.

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And finally, I just wanted to flag an opportunity that already [inaudible] in our mailing list that the RIPE NCC Fellowship is open. They don't say until when it's open, but I'm also sharing again the link over here. It is a one-time opportunity. A lot of people that are members have already applied, have already [inaudible]. It is a very good experience for those of you who want to understand a little bit more about policy discussions and the intersection between policy discussions and network and industry peers. I think that's a very important opportunity, so just [inaudible] stop over there.

And, yeah, I think that's that for Europe.

BRUNA SANTOS: [inaudible] I know next in the queue we have Ines then Claire. Thanks.

INES HFAIEDH: Thank you very much, Bruna. Hi, everyone. This is Elsa Saade. For those who don't know me, I am the Africa representative on the NCUC Executive Committee. Today, I would like to tell you about some regional updates from Africa.

In the African region, we have events that [you] have witnessed recently. So personally, I had the chance to be part of the African IGF which was held in Sudan. It was about the digital economy [mainly]. So [we worked] on digital economy and on [emerging] technologies for welfare and for social advancement.

Also, from my perspective in [inaudible], we worked at the Tunisian level at some high schools so that we could inform them about their

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privacy and about data protection. So this is what was done at the Tunisian level.

Also, right now I am working on the next Middle East and [adjoining countries school] for the 2019 edition. I have the pleasure to announce that it's going to be in Africa this year as well, and it's going to be in Morocco. So it's going to be right after the Marrakech meeting, the ICANN 65 I believe in Marrakech.

Next week, we're having the Middle East also DNS forum. And I would like to also inform you about the RightsCon that is going to be held in Tunisia in June.

So this is what we're up to right now, and that's what we're working on. Also, I would like to encourage the African community, the NCUC Africa members, to read the e-mail, to check their e-mail. There was an e-mail from Stephanie Perrin, the NCSG chair, where she shared a call for applications for members from a limited number of countries in Africa. But I would like to encourage everyone to apply because if they don't find members from those countries, they can open the call to the other countries.

Also, I have received a request from two members from the Africa region, [Wisdom and Pascal], and we are going to have our NCUC Africa call on the topic of EPDP so that we discuss what's going on and what are the topics that are taking place right now in preparation for ICANN 65 in Marrakech.

That's all from my side. Thank you very much, Bruna.

BRUNA SANTOS: [inaudible] I'd also like to mention that there's a call for support if you want to attend RightsCon [and you have the need for] [inaudible] there's a call for support open until 8 March, something like that. So [inaudible] interest.

I had Claire on the queue before. Claire, do you want to say a word?  
Yes, go ahead.

CLAIRE CRAIG: Yes. I think I got my question, what I was going to ask, answered. But since I had my hand up, I just wanted to say thanks for the updates. Very interesting. And I really hope that all the links that are being put in this chat will also be in our list because it will be easier to follow it there.

One quick comment, however. It was very difficult to understand what Antonella was saying because she was speaking so quickly. So I don't know if anybody else will be speaking but if they could try to slow down some of what they're saying so that we could really digest some of the information, because it sounded very interesting. I will check the links, but it was very difficult to understand. Thank you.

BRUNA SANTOS: Thank you very much, Claire. I will post the links on the discussion notes [inaudible] on the chat. And then we'll also send it to the constituency afterwards so [inaudible] have anyone missing [inaudible].

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We have three more minutes on this topic, and up ahead we have Elsa and Louise. So please, Elsa, you have the floor.

ELSA SAADE:

Thanks, Bruna. I hope you guys can hear me. I'm just wondering about, since the next meeting is going to be in Kobe, I'm wondering about the Asia Pacific representative on the NCUC and if they have any updates. Since I don't see them in this meeting, I hope they will be able to send us Asia Pacific members an update via e-mail perhaps about what they're planning on doing in Kobe so that we'll be able to support them as members who will be there or as members who are participating remotely.

So I just thought I would put that out there because I'm personally very interested in knowing what the plan is for Kobe given that it's the Asia Pacific meeting of the year. And given that I'm not sure how many NCUC members are from [Japan], I think it's important that we do some outreach while in Kobe. And that's why I would have loved for the NCUC representative of Asia Pacific to be on the call so that we could possibly talk about NCUC at ICANN 64 which I think is our next point. Thank you so much.

BRUNA SANTOS:

[inaudible] Just quickly answering. I think David has just joined the call. But I just want to say [inaudible] for our plan for ICANN 64 you have submitted. We only have two minutes to discuss this topic, and I would really like to give the floor to Louise and also anyone else. Just to say

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that I'll answer your question on the [next] agenda item [also]. Louise, you have the floor.

LOUISE MARIE HUREL:

Hi, everyone. I was thinking over here because Ines talked about the regional call. And I was wondering if it would be interesting for our members if we try something like, it could be something in the format – I don't know if you remember – of what I think it was [Aiden] alone or [Aiden] and Stephanie did a while ago – more specifically on the RDS working PDP. It was a presentation. It was just to understand the RDS.

So I was wondering if it would be in the interest of our members if any of you would be interested in having some kind of a webinar. What do you think, Bruna, about this? Having at least like a webinar on what is the EPDP, what is the [inaudible]. Just really like an overview because I now it's a bit overwhelming, but then members could get a little bit of a [inaudible] of the process. I don't know if that would be interesting, but it just occurred to me that it might be a demand that also comes from the wider community. So, yeah, thanks, Ines, also for pointing that out.

BRUNA SANTOS:

I do agree that this might be necessary or needed. But just a reminder that NCSG is holding EPDP update calls. So maybe this is something that [inaudible] our members [inaudible] interest in the topic, we can better coordinate this with our members [inaudible] EPDP [if] anybody else agrees.

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[inaudible], do you have a follow up [inaudible]? I really need to close up this agenda item.

LOUISE MARIE HUREL:

No. I didn't mean an update call. Just like a brief overview from where it started. I know that NCSG is the one that officially does policy but if we could inform our members better, then I think it might be interesting for future opportunities for either the comments that are coming up or future policy development processes that members might be interested. So this wouldn't be just an update. The idea was just to give them a brief background on the EPDP. But that's fine. It was just an idea.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Thanks very much. Just to say that I'm not against the idea. I was just mentioning that maybe it's something that we have and that maybe we can better coordinate with our representatives at the EPDP and also with our policy committee just so we can do something that is either untangling the EPDP or something that's more productive, more instructional to all of our members. So I'm not against it. I'm just thinking that there might be maybe ways to better develop this idea just so we get to talk about it [inaudible]. So thanks very much for the suggestion.

Moving on, the next agenda item is NCUC at ICANN 64. Just to mention that we have one CROP traveler, CROP receiver. I don't know how to define it, but Mili Semlani is the member from the APAC region who will be attending this meeting with the NCUC CROP slot. We will develop a



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plan of [inaudible] engagement with Mili on this. And she already has some suggestions that were part of her application for the CROP slot. So this is one part of the [inaudible]. And looking back to Elsa's question, maybe we can work together, Mili and David, on better developing outreach [plans] for the region.

Just to mention that [Taiwo] was also another [inaudible] member from this region as well [inaudible]. He has suggested another session of Ask NCUC. So this is on the table for [inaudible]. So maybe it's the time for us to do an Ask NCUC about the EPDP or any other topic that our community finds important to discuss. So if anyone else has topic suggestions for an Ask NCUC, we might be doing one – we're probably doing one – during ICANN 64.

Moving on to our agenda of the meeting, we will have an EC meeting. I guess it's on the Sunday. And then on Monday, we will have the NCUC and At-Large outreach. So those of you who are attending Kobe, I expect to see you there. This has been a very fruitful session so far for a) engaging with At-Large and b) bringing in some newcomers [inaudible]. The one we had in Barcelona was pretty much the best I have seen so far. It was very productive and interactive and we had a lot of NextGens and Fellows discussing and participating at the session. This one will happen during lunch also on Monday.

And just to wrap up the NCUC agenda – not wrap up but then to stop mentioning NCUC meetings [inaudible] at ICANN 64, we will have on Thursday our constituency day. This would be a bigger one in [opposition] to the Barcelona in which we had only an hour and a half. Now we have the three-hour slot if we want to use it. If we find it not

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necessary to use it. It's also going to be during lunchtime. So this is a day we will start with NPOC in the morning and then NCUC during lunch. And to wrap up the day, we will have NCSG open meeting, and I hope to see all of you [inaudible].

And on the constituency day [inaudible] we are [inaudible] we're also welcoming any topics, suggestions that you guys want to send us as well or any other situations that you see [us discussing] at the constituency day meeting.

I really wanted to open a little bit more the way we plan our sessions for the meetings. So the idea for this is to get the constituency even more involved in planning [inaudible]. [inaudible] have a better [exchange] of communication [inaudible] and you guys w regards to our planning. So if anyone wants to suggest anything, feel free to reach out to us.

I'm not seeing anyone. I know that Collin wanted to give an update about the CCWP. Am I right, Collin? If not, I will give the floor to Elsa and then Collin. And then, David, if you want to say anything also about regional outreach for Kobe, you're also free to get in the queue. Elsa, the floor is yours.

ELSA SAADE:

Thanks, Bruna. I'm so happy that David actually joined [while] I was asking for an update for Asia Pacific so that we can [inaudible] there will be an outreach hopefully in Kobe. I'm really happy to hear that, and I hope David can send us some more information. [inaudible] I was just wondering. I think EPDP [was] covered last time and the final report is

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coming up very soon and [inaudible] right now. So another topic which could be of interest....

BRUNA SANTOS: Sorry to interrupt you. Can you just speak a little bit louder? I don't think we are hearing you. It's a little bit faded.

ELSA SAADE: Sorry. Is this better? Hello?

BRUNA SANTOS: Yes, much better. Thanks.

ELSA SAADE: Okay. I was just saying that I was hoping we could suggest another topic other than EPDP because we covered that last time and the final report is coming up very soon for a vote at the GNSO Council level. So there are several deliberations on the new subsequent procedures and new gTLD working group. This could be of interest to some. There has been an ongoing discussion about the governance model. Maybe we can have a discussion on that. So I thought I'd suggest those couple of ideas. And I think I can always send some more ideas about the next Ask NCUC. Sorry, I'm really sick, so my voice is really low and it's really bad. So thanks again for the floor, Bruna.

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BRUNA SANTOS: [inaudible] very much, Elsa. I do agree with your suggestions. Maybe including some discussions on the governance model or bringing up what's decided on the GNSO Council meeting with regards to the EPDP would be great.

Is there anyone else in the queue? If so, I'll open the floor again.

LOUISE MARIE HUREL: Hi. I would just add the RPM working group. I think Kathy was also here, but I do think we could get someone to speak or give us updates about that during our session in Kobe.

BRUNA SANTOS: I'm writing them down on the discussion notes. I'll give the floor now to David [inaudible].

DAVID CAKE: I just wanted to say, yes, the Kobe meeting is the Asia Pacific meeting, so of course it's a really valuable opportunity for some outreach, especially for Japanese civil society but in particular I'm also planning to have a [inaudible] we just sort of start hammering out an Asia Pacific outreach strategy.

I'm very keen to start to link it up with both some potential outside sources of support [rather than just] ICANN and to link us up with a broader community, particularly the [IFF] network which is starting to expand into Asia Pacific region and I think would be really valuable. So hopefully, we won't just be having a meeting where we get together

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and talk strategy, but we'll have a couple of people talking about – invite a couple of remote participants to talk about other networks that we can link up to and see if we can have some sort of cross Asia Pacific Internet governance discussion.

I'm very aware that we don't – that the regional IGF doesn't have the same sort of focus that EuroDIG or something does and we don't have an obvious regional get together point. And that's one of the things I'd love to get some discussion. I also acknowledge that I think Asia Pacific is broad enough we might have to have some sort of subgroups, and I'll be asking for other people just talking about how to structure it. To what extent do we want to have a separate Middle East and North Africa group or a separate other areas. Very broad, Asia Pacific.

So I'll be talking about a bit more details later, but there will definitely be some open questions and [inaudible] let's just get a discussion started but some discussion that also includes some options like how we can get some more funding in the area to get together and link and do serious outreach about Internet governance issues. Which I think in a lot of ways there's not as much of inter-group Internet governance as there are in some of the regions.

So, yeah, I'm planning to have a meeting in Kobe, and I'll start letting you know some details next week when some people have got back to me. And really hoping there's a lot of participation from everybody. Thanks.

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BRUNA SANTOS:

Thank you very much for this [for participating]. We appreciate your ideas, and I think we can fine tune them with what both Louise and Elsa are planning for [on the ground] engagement during the next meeting. And, yeah, I think it's [inaudible].

So moving on, on our agenda we have 8 more minutes until the end of this call, and I'm hoping that we can stretch it for another five minutes. But then going forward it's just a quick note. You might remember that in Barcelona I announced that we were going to start the new calls for NCUC representatives at the different NCSG committees. We did one for the EC and [inaudible] so our new representatives are [Rafael and Robin].

And now we have a call open for the finance committee. Our current representative is Thato but if anyone else in the community wants and thinks they're up for the job and they have enough experience for participating and contributing for the finance committee, feel free to apply.

NCUC and [inaudible] also welcome observers to the list. So if you don't think you are up for being the representative but you want to follow the discussions, please write an e-mail to us. The [inaudible] is in very much need of observers, helpers, and anyone else who listens to participating in the discussions and helping us find a good plan for fundraising and how the [inaudible] should work in the upcoming year. So this is a first call to this.

Up next, we will be opening a call for our policy committee representative. Now [inaudible] we have [Farell] and [inaudible]. So if

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it's the case that you want to join or if you want to participate in the policy committee more actively, please look forward to the call [inaudible] before Kobe once we finish this call for the finance committee.

I will open the queue for three minutes, I guess. And if anybody else wants to speak, please raise your hand. And the floor is open now. [inaudible] seeing your hand up. Is this an old hand?

THATO MFIKWE: [inaudible] the finance committee. So I just [inaudible] in terms of the finance committee because it is true that the finance committee [inaudible] in terms of [inaudible].

BRUNA SANTOS: Thato, can you hear me? [inaudible]

THATO MFIKWE: [inaudible]

BRUNA SANTOS: No, it's very [inaudible].

THATO MFIKWE: [inaudible]

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BRUNA SANTOS: Thank you very much, Thato.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Hi, Bruna. Are you there? If you're speaking, we can't hear you. Thank you.

BRUNA SANTOS: Hi, everyone. I'm so sorry. [inaudible] I was just saying that we were going to wait a little bit for Thato to type out his comment and thank him for understanding that we were having a bit of a problem [inaudible]. I was also going to thank Thato for joining in. I know [inaudible] crazy and hectic [inaudible]. And, yeah, that's pretty much it.

If anyone else has any questions about this point or comments, the floor is still open. And so Thato's comment was [inaudible] with an emphasis on the [inaudible] for volunteers on working on different areas such as ICANN budget, ABRs, [operational fund], and other areas. So once again, the call for volunteers is open. If you want to join the discussion, please talk to us.

Ines is on the queue. Go ahead, Ines.

INES HFAIEDH: Thank you very much, Bruna. Since we have the chance to have with us Thato right now, I would like to ask him if you have already clear operating procedures. And if so, could you be so kind as to paste a link to your operating procedures? Thank you very much.



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BRUNA SANTOS:

Ines, I guess that he kind of answered this question about procedures. We do need to better develop the finance committee's operating procedures before we can start working on anything else. So this is, once again, I'm just stressing our call for volunteers on this.

Kind of moving on the discussion but not totally, again, yeah, the ABRs. [inaudible] two ABRs. We did [inaudible] one on communication materials. This is kind of a standard one we submit every year. And we did submit another one [inaudible] on the policy writing course. Some of you might know the policy writing course was [inaudible] engagement we had over in Puerto Rico. This was a very, very good course for some of our members to [dive deep] into what is a public comment and how NCSG has been doing it so far. So some of us have been there. This was a very important opportunity for us, and we also saw an improved engagement in policy committee [inaudible] members who joined this course.

So the follow up to this was that all the course [inaudible] was recorded, and it will hopefully become a course on ICANN Learn. So for those of you who did not have the chance to be there, we will be soon announcing a new webinar and also the ICANN Learn course on policy writing. So this is a good one for us to be looking out [to].

And coming to the ABRs, [inaudible] for another chance of onsite engagement. So this will be a little bit different based on the ICANN Learn course. And we applied and we [inaudible] for an onsite engagement on policy writing and also public comment contribution. So

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I do hope that this gets accepted and we get to bring this opportunity to our members in the near future.

Reading the chat, I'm also seeing that Thato announced that there will be a finance committee meeting during ICANN 64. I will post the link on the discussion notes and [we will] also send a transcript as well.

And if there isn't anything anyone wants to say about the ABRs and finance committee points, I guess I'll move to AOB. That's not before asking, is there anyone else who wants to contribute to any part of this discussion? If so, the floor shall be open.

Seeing none and hearing none, I'll also [inaudible] back to the discussion on the chat [inaudible] about call for observers. NCUC already allows observers to the finance committee, so I don't think there's a need for a call. In our call for [inaudible] representatives, we did highlight the chance of anyone being an observer at the [inaudible]. And, yeah, that's that.

So moving to AOB, our last agenda item, I know we are on the top of the hour. So if you would like to stay just five more minutes here, I have Collin in the queue. Collin will finally and hopefully do the update on the CCWP [inaudible]. Collin, you have the floor.

COLLIN KURRE:

Thanks. Can everybody hear me? I take that as a yes. Great. Okay, so I just wanted to give you guys an update in terms of the work that has been going on within the Cross-Community Working [inaudible] ICANN

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and Human Rights, which is actually a part of the NCSG. But there are quite a lot of NCUC folks that have contributed to it as well.

The thing that we've been working on which will shortly, imminently, be posted to our mailing list has been a human rights impact assessment model. We have been targeting the subsequent procedures PDP.

I just shared the link to the spreadsheet in the chat so everyone can have a look. Like I said, I will be sharing this on the CCWP mailing list shortly, and then we have a meeting to go over this model and what we learned and what we discovered and trying to complete this next Wednesday at 14:00 UTC.

So I just wanted to put that on the agenda for any interested NCUC members and encourage everyone to chime in and have a look and share your thoughts. Thanks.

BRUNA SANTOS:

[inaudible] is there any other AOB you wish to add for this? And, Collin, we have a question for you on the chat as well and we have a little bit of discussion [inaudible]. So maybe, Collin, I'll give you the floor to answer the question, and then we can [inaudible] to the [inaudible].

COLLIN KURRE:

Sure. Great. Yeah. Thanks for the question, Kathy. You asked, "In terms of policy work, how will this spreadsheet be used?" Well, unfortunately, subsequent procedures have been [at a] rather late stage, so it's not entirely clear how we can work the observations or recommendations into that procedure. I definitely appreciate any kind of counsel on that.

But ideally moving forward, one of the big advancements in this particular model was this Column K, "Recommendation." It is my thought that perhaps this would be useful for people to have a consistent approach or to be able to echo each other when making arguments for or against certain things. And then as these concerns or positive or negative impact scenarios are logged, they could be used to make robust and informed public comments when documents are opened up for commentary.

Let's see, "I don't think we should give up on subsequent procedures yet." Well, great. We've got lots of [fodder]. So, Kathy, I would definitely encourage you to come to our meeting next Wednesday if you can. And like I said, I will share this on the list shortly, and I would be super happy to cross-post this to NCSG or NCUC so that we can get the maximum amount of feedback possible. Thanks.

BRUNA SANTOS:

Thanks very much, Collin, for the [inaudible] for highlighting the CCWP's work. [inaudible] it's indeed a very dense working group, and we hope we get to discuss it a little bit more on [inaudible] HRIA.

So just a little clarification about the [FC]. I know that there has been some discussion. So [inaudible] we have two ways of participating in the finance committee. The first one is as a representative and the second one is as an observer. So if you join the FC as an observer, you probably won't have a chance to vote on anything. But if you do join the FC as a representative of any of NCSG's constituencies, there is where you get to participate in the voting. But if you join as an observer, this doesn't

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hold you from discussing and also participating in any [of the documents]. And as we have been saying, the FC only has [inaudible] rather small amount of volunteers for this [inaudible] community. And we have been having some, I'm not going to say problems, but [inaudible] with regards to the finance committee mission and how it's properly [inaudible] with other NCUC, NPOC, and NCSG committees. So there is, in fact, a need for us to discuss the operating procedures and [finding] a proper place for FC within our work. And, yeah, I'm going to stress the call for volunteers for maybe the fourth or fifth time. So if you want to join this and if you want to help with just the discussion, you are very much welcome in this.

And I guess given that we [inaudible] the hour, I was just going to ask if anyone else has any other AOB. If not, I'm going to wrap up this call. And thank you all very much for joining this. This is the first one of 2019. I hope we do get to do more opportunities of discussions and [inaudible] participation into the NCUC decision making and processes and everything else.

So, yeah, thanks, everybody, for attending. And I guess, Maryam, we can stop the recording.

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