ICANN created Interim At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) last year

- Framework of local, regional groups to promote structured involvement and informed participation 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
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.)
At-Large Organizing

- 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
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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