Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Report

1 JULY 2020 - 30 JUNE 2021

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Year at a Glance — Timeline

28 July
Public comment period closed on the LAC Strategic Plan FY21–25, developed by the LAC Strategy Council to align with ICANN's Strategic Plan for the same period.

26 August
David Conrad, ICANN's senior vice president and Chief Technology Officer (CTO), presented on the evolution of the Internet identifiers system at an ICANN LAC Talks.

24 September
ICANN LAC Talks on COVID-19 impact on LAC Internet organizations.

26 August
More than 575 people attended a live online session about Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC) and Hyperlocal during the capacity-building week promoted by NIC.br. Over the fiscal year, the on-demand recording of the event received over 4,500 views.

5 October
ICANN Board member Rafael “Lito” Ibarra received the 2020 Latin American and Caribbean Address Registry (LACNIC) Lifetime Achievement Award.

5 October
More than 180 participants attended a DNSSEC tutorial hosted by ICANN and the Latin American and Caribbean Address Registry (LACNIC) during LACNIC34-LACNOG2020.

22 October
Pablo Rodriguez, NIC.PR’s executive vice president, presented the qualitative exploratory case study-use of DNSSEC at LAC Space at ICANN69.

20 November
ICANN LAC Talks on new gTLDs in LAC.

23-27 November
ICANN worked with the Latin American and Caribbean ccTLDs Organization (LACTLD), the Latin American and Caribbean Address Registry (LACNIC), the Internet Society (ISOC), and the Public Interest Registry (PIR) to sponsor LAC Domain Names Week with the theme “Understanding the Ecosystem and Learning New Opportunities.”

29 July
ICANN LAC Talks on stakeholder journey and newcomers during COVID-19.

6 October
ICANN President and CEO Göran Marby and Latin American and Caribbean Vice President Rodrigo de la Parra presented during the South School on Internet Governance. The event drew more than 500 participants from all over the world.

9 July
An ICANN LAC Talks session was held on Universal Acceptance.
Year at a Glance — Timeline (continued)

28 January
ICANN LAC Talks on LACRALO plans.

28-29 January
ICANN LAC participated and supported the virtual Trinidad and Tobago Internet Governance Forum (TTIGF).

February
 Leading up to ICANN70, the regional team met with the Local Multistakeholder Host Committee and collaborated with the Mexican Association of Universities and Higher Education Institutions (ANUIES) and the u-GOB portal based in Mexico with 50k active members from governments from the entire region.

8-9 February
ICANN LAC engaged with Caribbean Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and connectivity providers regarding Universal Acceptance during the CANTO 37 Annual General Meeting.

3 March
Forty participants from 17 countries and intergovernmental organizations participated in the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) LAC webinar, the highest attendance in the history of regional GAC preparatory sessions.

30-31 March
The regional team delivered two presentations during CaribNOG 2021 including a hands-on lab on deploying DNSSEC.

23 March
At the LAC Space at ICANN70, representatives from LACTLD presented on the collaboration between ccTLDs and regional authorities. Representatives from LACNIC presented on the joint study with the Regional Internet Registry administering IP addresses for the Asia Pacific (APNIC) about technical success factors.

April
ICANN and LACRALO hosted a Universal Acceptance (UA) training series for the LAC community.

6 May
The LAC team launched a targeted social media campaign to educate users on DNS security issues in local languages.

20 May
ICANN LAC presented on “Securing the Root” at the American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN) Caribbean Technical Forum.

25 May
ICANN Regional Vice President Rodrigo de la Parra spoke to a group of new stakeholders from the Bahamas, Belize, St. Kitts & Nevis, and Suriname at the Caribbean LAC-i-Roadshow.

27 May
ICANN LAC Talks on the ICANN History Project.
Regional Highlights

DNS Training Continues Through Partnership with Mexican NGO

Now in its second year, ICANN LAC’s collaboration with the Mexican Association of Universities and Higher Education Institutions (ANUIES) delivered nine trainings to more than 540 students. This fruitful collaboration started in April 2020 with a series of capacity-building webinars covering talks on Internet governance ecosystem, Domain Name System (DNS) industry, and modern DNS standards. In FY21, topics included the history of Internet development, expert Internet governance panels, and advanced DNS security presentations.
ICANN and LACRALO launched a UA training series for the LAC community in April. A total of four sessions were delivered from 4 to 25 May 2021, covering key topics such as Email Address Internationalization (EAI), UA for Java developers, and how to engage in UA activities. Over 150 participants from 14 LAC countries took part in the training. Teachers from Australia, Pakistan, United States, and Brazil shared their knowledge and experiences. Interpretation and translated materials were provided to facilitate better understanding. Seventy-five software developers from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela, Tanzania, and the United States attended the live training sessions and demonstrated dedication during the exams and the discussions.

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Capacity-Development Activities in Latin America and the Caribbean

**TRAINING FOR TECHNICAL COMMUNITY**
As part of ICANN’s mission to ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet’s unique identifier systems, ICANN org provides capacity-building training for the DNS, DNSSEC, DNS/Network Security, UA, and EAI to the LAC community.

- **Total number of workshops in FY21:** 23
- **Total number of workshops in FY20:** 10

**TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**
ICANN org provides training for law enforcement agencies so that they can better handle abuse and misuse related to Internet identifiers.

- **Total number of workshops in FY21:** 10
- **Total number of workshops in FY20:** 8

**TRAINING FOR NONTECHNICAL COMMUNITY**
As COVID-19 pandemic challenges continued during this fiscal year, the regional team held various outreach webinars, roadshows, and ICANN LAC Talks, which gathered nearly 610 participants.

- **Total number of workshops in FY21:** 46
- **Total number of workshops in FY20:** 17

**Latin America and the Caribbean Leaders**
For the list of Supporting Organization and Advisory Committees leaders, please refer to ICANN’s [FY21 Annual Report](#), page 109.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES**

- **Sylvia Herlein Leite (Brazil)** – LACRALO Working Group on Multilingualism and IDNs, Chair
- **Olga Cavalli (Argentina)** – GNSO Council, appointed by Nominating Committee
- **Claire Craig (Trinidad and Tobago)** – LACRALO Assistant Secretary

*(Names in bold = Newly Appointed)*
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