ASO AC Teleconference
Wednesday, 03 July 2024
12:00 PM UTC
Minutes

Attendees	Observers	Apologies
APNIC Nicole Chan (Nicole C.) – Vice Chair Di Ma (Di M.) **ARIN** Chris Quesada (Chris Q.) Nick Nugent (Nick N.) Kevin Blumberg (Kevin B.) **LACNIC** Ricardo Patara (Ricardo P.) – Vice Chair Jorge Villa (Jorge V.) Esteban Lescano (Esteban L.) **RIPE NCC** Hervé Clément (Hervé C.) – Chair Constanze Buerger (Constanze B.) **Secretariat** Germán Valdez (Germán V.) Laureana Pavón (Laureana P.) – Minutes	**AFRINIC** Madhvi Gokool **ARIN** Eddie Diego (Eddie D.) John Sweeting Andrew Gallo **RIPE NCC** Angela Dall'Ara Sander Steffann **ICANN Org** Steve Sheng (Steve S.) Andrew McConachie (Andrew M.) Ozan Sahin (Ozan S.) **ICANN Board** Alan Barrett **ICANN NomCom** Ron da Silva (Ron dS) **Community** Mirjam Küne (RIPE community)	**APNIC** Gaurav Kansal (Gaurav K.)

New and updated action items from this meeting:
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Agenda

0. Welcome
1. Roll Call
2. Agenda Review
3. Review Open Actions
4. Approval Minutes June 2024
5. ICP-2 Update

6. ICANN 81 Prep
7. Report on ICANN NomCom
8. AOB
9. Closed Session
10. Adjourn
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0. Welcome

Hervé C. welcomed everyone to the meeting at 12:03 UTC.

1. Roll call

Roll call was taken quorum was established.

2. Agenda Review

Hervé C. proposed adding the following topic: Composition of the PPFT.

3. Review Open Actions

Action Item 240605-1: Hervé C. and Germán V. to start preparing the agenda for the ASO AC face-to-face meeting at ICANN 81 so that the AC can begin making their travel arrangements. **ONGOING**

Action Item 240605-2: The Secretariat to update the ICP-2 section of the ASO AC website as needed and instructed by the ASO AC. **CLOSED**

Action Item 240605-3: Hervé C. to prepare a new monthly report on the ICP-2 review and send it to the ASO AC for feedback. Hervé will then send the final version of this report to the EC prior to the next NRO EC meeting (16 June). **ONGOING**

Action Item 240605-4: The Secretariat to organize a call with ICANN staff and the RIR comms team to organize and set the timeline for conducting both consultations on the ICP-2 Principles document (RIR community consultation and ICANN consultation) in parallel. **CLOSED**

Action Items 240605-1, 240605-3, and 240605-4 will be discussed under agenda item 5. ICP-2 Update.

Action Item 240605-5: Kevin B. to create a slide outlining the role of observers during ASO AC meetings to be displayed on screen before the meeting agenda. **ONGOING**

While it was displayed on screen, Kevin B. noted that he had prepared a rough draft based on input from the ASO AC, that Nick N. had cleaned it up, and that Ricardo P. had also reviewed it. This draft was shared via email earlier today.

Led by Kevin B., the group went over and discussed the proposed text extensively, after which it was decided that Kevin B. would have 7 days to rework the text, and then the AC will do another 7-day follow-up and then revisit the text.

4. Approval Minutes June 2024

Hervé C. noted that he had sent three minor edits via email.

Esteban L. moved to approve the June 2024 minutes as written with the edits suggested by Hervé C. Kevin B. seconded the motion, no abstentions or opposition were heard, so the motion carried.

5. ICP-2 Update

Hervé C. informed that the AC had had multiple additional meetings to discuss the Core Principles document. He thanked Nick N. for drafting the document, which was sent to the EC two days ago. We are now waiting for the EC's feedback.

Kevin B. provided an update on the meeting with the CCG re the community consultation. Timing wise, we would like to start this process at the end of August/first week of September. ICANN needs to run their consultation for a longer period than the RIRs, so we will go with the longer period. Now we are waiting for feedback from the EC. Right now, we are on schedule, but we may need to readjust this schedule if a lot of work comes back from the EC.

Nick N. asked whether anyone from the EC had acknowledged receipt of the Principles document.

Hervé C. replied that they had not, and would share with the others if he hears from the EC.

Hervé C. then observed that the ASO AC will not be attend AIS meeting, and that the idea had come up to prepare some specific slides for communication with the African community re the consultation. This is something we are thinking in parallel.

Kevin B. pointed out that August will be a busy month for the AC. We'll hopefully get feedback from the EC in late July, so we will have a lot to do in August.

Nicole C. said that it's great that we are on the timeline. Right now, we must discuss the preparation for the AIS, but the next RIR meeting will be APNIC 58 in September. They are trying to organize something for a consultation, so we can talk about what content we can provide at RIR meetings.

Kevin B. replied that the AC should provide updates, information, and such. If an individual RIR wants to organize a consultation, that is not on the ASO.

Nicole C. thanked Kevin B, for his replied, which confirms her thoughts on the matter.

Steve S. mentioned that ICANN will open a minimum 40-day public comment to solicit ICANN community input. Sometimes ICANN receives comments beyond ICANN community (e.g., ISOC, IAB). Also, sometimes ICANN Org reviews the document and submits a comment on behalf of the Org into the public comment proceeding. This is all part of the normal process. In this case, we have not discussed it yet. If we decide to submit a comment, we will let the ASO AC know.

Esteban L. asked if there is a deadline for the NRO EC to provide feedback on the Principles document.

Kevin B. replied that we've asked for a month, but how long they actually take may affect our timeline. This is fluid and out of our control at this point.

Esteban L. congratulated Nick N. for his work. The document is solid, clear, and an outstanding piece of work. Steve S. then congratulated the ASO AC on an impressive piece of work, especially thanking Kevin B, Nick N, and Herve C.

Nick N. observed that the AC so far has not discussed the communication process (ac-internal vs ac-discuss mailing list).

Hervé C. replied that the AC received a request from the EC for them to review the document before making it public. This is why we have not yet shared the document. The idea is not to hide but to consolidate. As soon as we can, we will make it public.

Nick N. observed that it was his assumption that the AC would share the Principles document with the others when we shared with the EC. Then the EC asked us to coordinate with us before publishing. It is now clear that the EC would like for the document to be shared on the ac-internal vs the ac-discuss mailing list.

6. ICANN 81 Prep

Hervé C. noted that the ASO AC plans to meet in person at ICANN 81 in Istanbul. This will be after the consultation, so we will have much to work on.

Esteban L. said that it was important to set the dates of our meeting quickly so we can schedule our flights.

Ozan S. shared that ICANN 81 will take place on 9-14 November, and that a webpage https://meetings.icann.org/en/meetings/icann81/ is now available. Once the hotel info is added, Ozan S. will alert ASO AC members so they can plan their travels accordingly. He shared that last week ICANN had the first planning meeting, and that Hervé C. and Ricardo P. had been on that call, where ICANN introduced the block schedule and planning timeline.

Hervé C. said that it would be compulsory for ASO AC members to be there on Sunday at the latest, of course earlier would be better.

Ozan S. shared that, because the engagement with GAC had been very well received and GAC has expressed their intention for this engagement to continue, he reached out to them to ask whether they could have a meeting on the weekend only or during the week. He is waiting to hear back from them, hopefully in the 2-3 weeks to come. He shared the block schedule for Istanbul on screen.

After some further discussion about the f2f meeting timeline, it was decided that the ASO AC should arrive in Istanbul on Saturday at the latest.

Hervé C. mentioned that the ASO AC would have Monday-Wednesday for ASO AC working sessions, so Thursday would be OK to meet with GAC.

All agreed.

Hervé C. thanked Ozan S. for the information and said that the AC will discuss this internally.

Steve S. concluded by saying that ICANN 81 might be an opportunity for broader community awareness of ASO AC's work. He suggested that, when planning for ICANN 81, the ASO AC might consider an open session to talk about ICP-2 and the ASO AC's work in general, as well as any community you want to engage directly with (e.g. GAC and the ICANN board). If the AC identifies any others, they should let ICANN know and we can help you set up the meetings.

Hervé C. thanked Steve for offering his help.

7. Report on ICANN NomCom

Ron dS said that this would be his final report on the NomCom on behalf of the ASO AC. He thanked the AC for the opportunity, and highly recommended the experience for any member of the RIR community. The NomCom wrapped up the final decision process in Rwanda, where they met from Saturday through Wednesday 9 to 5, as there was a strong group of eight candidates. This was completed and passed to ICANN legal for them to complete their vetting process. All that remains for the NomCom is to prepare suggestions for the next cycle, which he will be working on for a couple of weeks.

He added that he believes that the ASO AC's request for him to be accepted in next year's NomCom will not be accepted (the bylaws are very clear in his sense), so next year there will probably be no representative from the ASO on the NomCom.

Hervé C. confirmed that the AC has not received any feedback/confirmation on the request for Ron dS to serve another period. To conclude, he thanked him for his work.

8. AOB

Hervé C. said that he had suggested discussing the composition of the Policy Proposal Facilitation Team (PPFT). Under the ASO AC Operating Procedures, "Where possible, the PPFT shall consist of one Address Council member from each region. Otherwise, the PPFT may consist of five members, provided that no more than two PPFT members may come from the same region." He observed that Sander S. had been part of the PPFT (Di M, Nick N, Sander S. and Ricardo P). Hervé C. noted that he had talked with Constance B. and that she is willing to be part of the PPFT until the end of the year. This would leave us with a PPFT with four members.

Constance B. confirmed that she is happy to be part of the PPFT for the rest of 2024.

All agreed.

9. Closed Session
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10. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Esteban L. called the motion to adjourn, Nicole C. and Jorge V. seconded the motion, no objections were heard, so the meeting was adjourned at 13:23 UTC.