

**ASO AC Teleconference  
Wednesday, 19 March 2025  
12:00 PM UTC  
Minutes**

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Observers</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
<p><b>APNIC</b> Nicole Chan (Nicole C.)</p> <p><b>ARIN</b> Nick Nugent (Nick N.) – Vice Chair Kevin Blumberg (Kevin B.) Amy Potter (Amy P.)</p> <p><b>LACNIC</b> Ricardo Patara (Ricardo P.) Esteban Lescano (Esteban L.) – Vice Chair Jorge Villa (Jorge V.)</p> <p><b>RIPE NCC</b> Hervé Clément (Hervé C.) – Chair Constanze Buerger (Constanze B.) Andrei Robachevsky (Andrei R.)</p> <p><b>Secretariat</b> Laureana Pavón (Laureana P.) – Minutes</p>	<p><b>AFRINIC</b> Madhvi Gokool (Madhvi G.)</p> <p><b>APNIC</b> Jeremy Harrison (Jeremy H.) Bhadrika Panchal (Bhadrika P.)</p> <p><b>ARIN</b> Hollis Kara (Hollis K.) Chris Quesada (Chris Q.) Ashley Perks (Ashley P.) Nancy Carter (Nancy C.) Micheal Abejuela (Michael A.)</p> <p><b>LACNIC</b> Eduardo Jimenez (Eduardo J.)</p> <p><b>RIPE NCC</b> Angela Dall’Ara (Angela D.) Athina Fragkouli (Athina F.) Ulka Athale (Ulka A.)</p> <p><b>ICANN Org</b> Ozan Sahin (Ozan S.)</p> <p><b>ICANN NomCom</b> Tom Barret (Tom B.) Eyitayo Iyortim (Eyitayo I.)</p>	<p><b>APNIC</b> Di Ma (Di M.) Maemura Akinori (Akinori M.)</p>

**New and updated action items from this meeting:**

**New Action Item 250319-1:** The Secretariat to set up an additional meeting for the ASO AC to discuss the ICP-2 on Wednesday 16 April at 12:00 pm UTC. Also invite the comms and legal teams. If this meeting is not needed, it will be cancelled.

**New Action Item 250319-2:** The Secretariat to ask ICANN whether they can provide a meeting room for the ASO AC to use on Sunday 8 June, as well as for the work sessions to be held on 9-11 June during ICANN 83. If not, the Secretariat to secure a room for Sunday 8 June.

**New Action Item 250319-3:** The Secretariat to set up the voting process for the ICANN Board Seat 10 Election.

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## **Agenda**

0. Welcome
1. Roll Call
2. Agenda Review
3. Review Open Actions
4. Approval Minutes February 2025
5. NomCom Report by Louie Lee
6. 2025 NomCom Election Timeline
7. ICP-2 Update
  - a) Timeline
8. Agenda ICANN 83 f2f Meeting
9. ICANN Board Seat 10 Update
10. Reports
  - a) APNIC 59 Report
11. AOB
12. Closed Session
  - a) 2025-2026 NomCom Representative
13. Adjourn

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## **0. Welcome**

Hervé C. welcomed everyone to the meeting at 12:01 UTC.

## **1. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken, and quorum was established.

## **2. Agenda Review**

The draft agenda was displayed on screen and approved as written.

Esteban L. suggested adding 7b. Draft v.1.

Andrei R. suggested adding 7c. Informal communications (blog posts, etc.).

## **3. Review Open Actions**

**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. **OPEN**

Action Item 240605-3 will remain open as it is a monthly activity.

**Action Item 250205-1:** GV to send out a Zoom invite and link for a joint meeting of both WGs (drafting and survey response analysis) for next Wednesday, 12 February at 12:00 UTC. **CLOSED**

#### **4. Approval Minutes February 2025**

Esteban L. moved to approve the February 2025 minutes, Hervé C. seconded, no objections or abstentions were heard, so the motion carried.

#### **5. NomCom Report by Louie Lee / 6. 2025 NomCom Election Timeline**

Tom Barret, chair elect of the NomCom. shared his screen and presented a ppt titled '*We're looking for Leaders.*'

He explained that this year the NomCom is looking for three members of the ICANN Board and explained the regional diversity calculation. At this time, there is a restriction that candidates must be from outside North America.

He added that the NomCom is also looking for:

- 1 member of the PTI board of directors
- 3 representatives to ALAC (Africa, APAC, LAC)
- 1 member of the ccNSO (no geographic restrictions here)
- 2 members of GNSO, one for contracted parties, one for the non-contracted parties, (no geographic restrictions)

He noted that the deadline to apply is 29 March at 23:59 UTC and encouraged everyone to invite anyone who might be interested in these positions to apply.

Hervé C. said the ASO AC would like to have a clear view of the specific rules that would apply for the reappointment of the current ASO representative to the NomCom.

Tom Barret replied that after the NomCom Review there were a series of changes to the bylaws. Under the transition items, Louie Lee is not eligible for reelection. The ASO would need to appoint someone else, and Louie can then be elected for a two-year term. Another restriction is that NomCom members will be limited to two two-year terms.

Ozan S. added that Ron da Silva and Louie Lee will be ineligible for 2026 ICANN NomCom.

Kevin B. asked about the deadline for providing the name of the next ASO appointment to the NomCom, and Tom Barrett replied that it would be best to have the new delegate seated well before Oman, ideally September or early October 2025.

#### **7. ICP-2 Update**

- a) Timeline
- b) Draft v.1.
- c) Informal communications

Hervé C. gave a brief introduction about where we are in this process. The idea is to have the document available for the community in early April.

Esteban L. underlined the positive feedback the AC received from the NRO EC on the work we did in Kuala Lumpur and their thanks for the work we have accomplished. We must be proud of the work we've done.

Nick N. echoed Esteban L's words. He is glad the EC is involved in shaping the document now. The EC's concern was with our schedule, which had an embargo until the next set of RIR meetings. The EC was concerned that our current timeline just didn't provide enough time to revise the document in accordance with community feedback. We are therefore waiting for presumably edits from the EC. The next task is to solidify our new schedule, moving everything up with the changes the EC requested.

Athina F. confirmed that the EC was pleased with the doc; they are reviewing it and will come back to the AC with their input in the coming weeks.

Kevin B. noted that we must now all work more on the communications side, as the mailing list and other things will need to be in place earlier than anticipated.

Ulka A. shared that the comms team are working on this much shorter timeline and talking to the legal team and the EC to make sure that we are all on the same timeline to meet the deadline.

Herve C. wondered whether the ASO AC will we need an additional meeting in addition to the regular teleconference scheduled for 2 April.

After some discussion, the following action item was decided:

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Andrei R. then said he would like to discuss informal communications around the work we are doing. He mentioned that blog posts such as the one by Akinori M. were a good way of engaging and highlighting some aspects. If the others think that's a good idea, we can do this in our own communities.

Kevin B. said he has no fundamental issue with what Andrei is saying, but 1) these should be reviewed and validated at least by the ASO AC chair to make sure we're in synch, 2) he doesn't want to see conflicting messaging on this. Getting the message out in plain language is always good, messages will be very regional-specific as to where people are used to seeing these messages.

Ulka A. noted that writing blog posts is part of the comms team's work list. She added that, in the past year Athina F. published two blog posts on RIPE Labs. She said that if anyone from the ASO AC would like to write a blog post, the CCG will be happy to help edit and publish. She noted that the CCG could also suggest topics for blog posts over the next few weeks.

## **8. Agenda ICANN 83 f2f Meeting**

Ozan S. shared that registration for ICANN 83 is now open. The event will take place on 9-11 June. As this is the shortest of the ICANN public meetings, the prep work has already started. Based the joint meetings the ASO had in Istanbul and Malaysia, Ozan S. has worked with German V. and Hervé C. to come up with a draft schedule for the ASO AC at ICANN 83, which he shared with the group. The idea is to have three working days for ASO AC from Monday to Wednesday. The logic is that the AC would start with closed sessions on

Monday, then joint meetings on Tuesday, and working sessions again on Wednesday. He added that he was hoping to finalize the schedule in two weeks, so he would like to submit ASO sessions as soon as possible to make sure to obtain the room and everything the AC needs. He then asked how many work sessions the AC would need at ICANN 83.

Hervé C. replied that he is comfortable with six work sessions. He also noted another recommendation: the AC should be on-site on Sunday for informal meetings prior to the formal work sessions on Monday. Additionally, the chairs round table is on Sunday, so it would be great if Esteban L. and/or Nick N. could participate, given that Hervé C. will not be able to make it on time.

Andrei R. agreed that it would be great to have some preliminary working sessions for the week.

Kevin B. asked whether the AC would have a room for the informal discussions on Sunday.

Laureana P. replied that if ICANN cannot provide a room, the Secretariat can look for one.

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Ozan S. will reach out to the leadership of the groups mentioned on the schedule to make sure to set up the joint meetings.

## 9. ICANN Board Seat 10 Update

Ricardo P. observed that, as he already mentioned on the mailing list, the Interview Committee has provided a report on the interview process. The work of the IC is complete, so he thanked everyone for their work. It's now up to the ASO AC to call for the validation of the report. The as per procedure, we can set up the voting process.

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## 10. Reports

### a) APNIC 59 Report

Given that all members of the ASO AC were present in Petaling Jaya, Nicole C. shared a very brief report on APNIC 59:

- The most important thing was the 2025 APNIC EC election. Four positions were open for election. Yoshinobu Matsuzaki, Anlei Hu, Roopinder Singh Perhar, and Kenny Huang were reelected.
- The work of the Cooperation SIG focused on the need for the technical community to take action in the WSIS+20 process.
- The Policy SIG included a presentation by Geoff Huston.
- Two policy proposals did not reach consensus and will go back to the mailing list.
- The ASO AC presented reports, most importantly an ICP-2 section at the AGM. The most important thing is that we learned what issues the community cares about.
- APNIC 60 will be held in Vietnam.

- There will be ICANN APAC-TWNIC Engagement Forum in Taipei at the end of April. They have already arranged a session related to ICP-2, where Jia Rong Low and Nicole C. will be presenting.
- The most important takeaway was about communications with the community. For upcoming RIR meetings, we will arrange sessions to communicate with the community.

#### **11. AOB**

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#### **12. Closed Session**

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#### **13. Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, Andrei R. moved to adjourn, Jorge V. seconded the motion, which carried so the meeting was adjourned at 13:14 UTC.