

ASO AC Teleconference
Wednesday, 05 June 2024
12:00 PM UTC
Minutes

Attendees	Observers	Apologies
APNIC Nicole Chan (Nicole C.) – Vice Chair Gaurav Kansal (Gaurav K.) 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 Secretariat Germán Valdez (Germán V.) Laureana Pavón (Laureana P.) – Minutes	AFRINIC Madhvi Gokool (Madhvi G.) ARIN Eddie Diego (Eddie D.) John Sweeting (John S.) Nancy Carter RIPE NCC Angela Dall’Ara ICANN Org Andrew McConachie (Andrew M.) Ozan Sahin (Ozan S.) Community Michael Hollyman Saul Stein (Saul S.)	APNIC Di Ma (Di M.) RIPE Constanze Burger (Constanze B.)

New and updated action items from this meeting:

New 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.

New Action Item 240605-2: 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 (18 June).

New Action Item 240605-3: 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.

New Action Item 240605-4: Kevin B. to create a slide outlining the role of observers during ASO AC meetings to be displayed on screen before the meeting agenda.

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Agenda

0. Welcome
 1. Roll Call
 2. Agenda Review
 3. Review Open Actions
 4. Approval Minutes May 2024
 5. ICP-2 Update
 6. ICANN 80 Prep
 7. Reports
 - a) LACNIC 41
 - b) RIPE 88
 8. AOB
 9. Closed Session
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0. Welcome

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

1. Roll call

Roll call was taken, and quorum was established. Hervé C. took a moment to share that it had been a sad week, as two members of the community had passed away, Stacy Taylor of ARIN and Erik Bais of the RIPE region.

2. Agenda Review

No closed session will be held today.

Kevin B. proposed an item for AOB: Who can speak during ICP-2 review working sessions?

3. Review Open Actions

The group went over each open action item while updating their status.

Updated Action Item 240305-4: The Secretariat to schedule weekly teleconferences for a period of four weeks during which the ASO AC will continue to discuss the principles document. Update: Nick N. to share suggested dates for ASO AC monthly meetings to work on the ICP-2 review via email to the list.

Action Item 240305-5: The Secretariat to expedite creating on the ASO AC website a section/page dedicated to the ICP-2 Review. This should include the proposed timeline, some historical information, and any other relevant documents and/or information as needed.

Action Item 240305-6: The ASO AC to promptly discuss via the mailing list who will help the Secretariat decide what documents/information should be displayed in the ICP-2 Review part of the ASO AC website.

The first three open action items will be addressed under agenda item #5.

Updated Action Item 240110-2: Hervé C. to ask the Secretariat to confirm with the EC what the travel policies for ASO AC representatives are for 2024 in each individual region. Update: Germán V. to draft an email to the NRO EC formalizing the request for a f2f meeting of the ASO AC during ICANN 81 (Istanbul), as well as a request to send a small delegation of the ASO AC to the AIS in September (if applicable), share the draft via the mailing list for comments and approval, then send it to the EC on behalf of the ASO AC. **CLOSED**

Re Action Item 240110-2, Hervé C. said ,that the request was sent and that Oscar Robles replied that the NRO EC is OK to send a small delegation to AIS if the meeting is confirmed and for the entire ASO AC to meet f2f at ICANN 81 in Istanbul.

Nick N. asked what the small group of ASO AC members would do at IAS.

Hervé C. replied that the agenda has not been defined yet, but it would involve engaging with the AFRINIC community re ICP-2. Because AFRINIC is not holding regular meetings, it would be the way to consult with the AFRINIC community.

Kevin B. added that there is no ASO AC member from AFRINIC so, for example, there are no discussions or updates on their mailing list. Travel arrangements for AIS will likely be last minute, so who will travel will depend on cost and availability. Also, we need to discuss exactly when the ASO AC will be meeting in Istanbul and any other meetings we may have (e.g., engagement with GAC) so we can make our travel arrangements.

Hervé C. agreed and said he would start working on the agenda for ICANN 81.

Ozan S. said that the date for ICANN 81 is set (9 to 14 November). Regarding a potential engagement with GAC, GAC likes to do these on the weekend. Ozan S. offered to work with Germán V. and Hervé C. to see if it is possible to move this to during the week and report back.

Kevin B. clarified that he is not against meeting on the weekend, but that he would like to know when we will need to be there with enough anticipation to make our travel arrangements.

New 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.

Regarding the AIS meeting, Saul S. commented that the AIS is traditionally the African community's biggest meeting, but that the AFRINIC mailing list is working. He suggested that perhaps Madhvi G. could distribute the information to the community via the mailing list. Bottom line, the ASO AC can still communicate with the community.

Hervé C. agreed that the mailing list can be very useful, as community attendance at AIS was very small the last time he was there.

Kevin B. observed that AFRINIC staff can send messages to the mailing list at any time, and that will continue. But there is nobody from AFRINIC on the ASO mailing list.

4. Approval Minutes May 2024

Esteban L. moved to approve the minutes of the ASO AC meeting held on 1st May 2024, Kevin B. seconded the motion, no abstentions or oppositions were heard, so the motion carried.

5. ICP-2

Updated Action Item 240305-4: The Secretariat to schedule weekly teleconferences for a period of four weeks during which the ASO AC will continue to discuss the principles document. **CLOSED**

Nick N. to share suggested dates for ASO AC monthly meetings to work on the ICP-2 review via email to the list.

Re Action Item 240305-4, Hervé C. observed that the ASO AC has done very good work on this, that they've already had three ad hoc meetings to work on the principles document, and will be having another one next week.

Action Item 240305-5: The Secretariat to expedite creating on the ASO AC website a section/page dedicated to the ICP-2 Review. This should include the proposed timeline, some historical information, and any other relevant documents and/or information as needed. **CLOSED**

Re Action Item 240305-5, Hervé C. reported that a dedicated ICP-2 section has already been created and thanked Germán V. for that. He added that work is ongoing to have the draft document ready for publishing.

At Esteban L.'s suggestion, Action Item 240305-5 was closed.

Action Item 240305-6: The ASO AC to promptly discuss via the mailing list who will help the Secretariat decide what documents/information should be displayed in the ICP-2 Review part of the ASO AC website. **CLOSED**

Hervé C. reminded the group that the NRO EC had asked the ASO AC to provide monthly reports. We've already sent the first report, so we need to prepare a new one, perhaps after our next dedicated meeting in two weeks.

Nick N. suggested that it might make sense to tie each update to a calendar month to eliminate subjectivity (May update, June update, and so on).

Germán V. noted that the NRO EC meets on the third Tuesday of each month, so ideally the reports should be submitted prior to this so they can be discussed.

After some further discussion, it was decided to prepare monthly ICP-2 reports and submit them to the NRO EC on the second Friday of each month so that the NRO EC has time to read this report prior to their monthly meetings.

New Action Item 240605-2: 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 (18 June).

Hervé C. then asked Kevin B. if he could provide a timeline of when a document will be ready to share.

Kevin B. replied that the existing week-by-week timeline is keeping everything on track. The principles document that is being worked on for community feedback in late August/September is coming along well. What is important now is to have the first draft of that document ready and send it to the NRO in early July. This summer will be a hard time for the ASO AC, we have some important work to do to allow us to have a second draft by mid-August and wrap up the document so it can go to the comms departments and ICANN for their feedback and consultation process.

Kevin B. noted that, once we have the feedback, we can go back and set a more specific timeline to get us to the final draft of version 2 of the ICP-2 document 2 (e.g., we don't know if we will have 10 or 10k comments and this affects the timeline). During yesterday's ICP-2 call, we spoke about a combination of analytical questions (strongly agree, etc.) that can be auto tabulated, and freeform text. This would imply a lot of work for the AC.

Nick N. asked Kevin B. if he could explain this stakeholder survey better.

Kevin B. replied that two instances have been identified. One is a global community consultation by the ASO AC to the world (our community). He assumes that this will be organized by the Secretariat and advertised by the RIR comms teams. The other is a consultation that ICANN will run based on the same document we provide, but it will follow ICANN's own consultation process.

Nick N. asked who would digest the data obtained from the ICANN consultation.

Kevin B. replied that he believes the ASO AC will not see the raw data.

Ozan S. added that this is a takeaway from the discussions the ASO AC had in San Juan is that ICANN would start a consultation in September, and provide a report based on the comments received. This will close a few weeks before Istanbul. ICANN 81 will provide an additional opportunity to interact with the ICANN community. Based on this engagement, we can publish a report after ICANN 81. As for freeform or structured questions, both are possible.

John S. mentioned that ARIN has a Communications Coordination group that supports the NRO EC and coordination efforts that have to be done across the five regions. They are very good at what they do, and we have done this several times, the most closely related would be the one we did for the IANA transition. John S. suggested that ARIN's Communications Coordination group could work with the ICANN communications group to coordinate. We could use our ARIN Announce list to announce it to everyone. We could also publish it on the website, and whatever else you might ask us to do.

Nick N. asked whether the principles document would remain the same during both consultations.

Kevin B. replied that they are supposed to be run in parallel on the same document. He and Hervé C. already had a call with the communications group, this is why he has asked for another call to make sure we keep everything on track.

After some further discussion, the following action item was noted:

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6.- ICANN 80 Prep

Ozan S. noted that ICANN 80 will be taking place next week in Kigali (<https://go.icann.org/outlook80>). There's a dedicated meeting page to register and check the schedule: <https://meetings.icann.org/en/meetings/icann80/>. The deadline for in-person registration is Friday.

Kevin B. mentioned that he had been asked how the process was going re ICP-2 and that there were comments in the sense that the session at ICANN 79 had been very informative for the people of the GAC. The GAC asked Kevin B. if the ASO AC would be present at ICANN 80, as there is "team interest" in continuing these discussions and would like for them to continue (not formal feedback, but individual comments).

7. Reports

a) LACNIC 41

Ricardo P. noted that he had sent a report to the mailing list and provided the following highlights:

- LACNIC 41 was extremely well attended (over 800 attendees in person and approx. 400 remotely).
- We presented the usual ASO AC report. The slides mentioned the ICP-2 review, we had the help of the LACNIC comms team for making a graphical timeline which we presented. We didn't receive any questions, but the presentation was very well received.
- Seven policy proposals were discussed (two regarding the possibility of leasing IPv4 addresses, several others discussing the PDP).
- The next LACNIC meeting will be held in October in Asuncion, Paraguay.

b) RIPE 88

Hervé C. provided the following update:

- The event was also very well attended.
- The RIPE Community celebrated its 35th anniversary with many interesting discussions about the community and the organization as well.
- We presented the ASO AC report including ICP-2 (both during the policy working group session and during the global community session). There were questions about when the document will be ready and how the new document will help strengthen internet security and stability.
- Two out of seven RIPE EC members were elected: Piotr Strzyżewski and Sander Steffann.
- The next meeting will be held in Prague in late October.

8. AOB

Hervé C. shared that the announcement of Alan Barrett's reelection to the ICANN Board had been published.

Topic proposed by Kevin B: Who can speak during ICP-2 review working sessions?

Hervé. recalled that the ASO AC had discussed this in Puerto Rico. The EC and the legal team can speak, of course, but there was a question about Sander S. last week. When he spoke, he had resigned to the ASO AC but had not yet been elected to the RIPE NCC Executive Board. There was a discussion of whether former ASO AC members can talk during specific ICP-2 meetings. We need clear rules.

Kevin B. suggested making it as easy as possible for everyone to be within the parameters. As the chair, Hervé C. can give voice to anyone he wishes. From the guidance point of view, we have the ASO AC, RIR staff, ICANN staff, and ICANN Board members. Each of us has a role and responsibility (e.g., RIR staff and ICANN staff are here to provide authoritative answers and input on topics in which they are involved). General community members are here because we are transparent, but they are here to observe. It is distracting, confusing, and not OK to give some people voice but not others.

Esteban L. agreed with Kevin B. Our organization is open and transparent, anybody can observe but we have well-defined rules for participating in the discussions and calls.

Kevin B. added that this is even more important to have clear rules now that we are about to have an open consultation. The problem is when we have somebody who is here as a board member of an RIR but is not speaking on behalf of the board. If they are here and can speak on behalf of the board, that's fine. But if they are wearing their community member hat, it's totally different.

Ricardo P. agreed. He suggested displaying a text at the beginning of each meeting stating that observers can attend and observe but cannot speak unless specifically asked to by the chair.

All agreed.

Kevin B. thanked Ricardo P. for his suggestion.

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9. Closed Session

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10. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Nick N. called the motion to adjourn, Chris Q. seconded the motion, no objections were heard, so the meeting was adjourned at 13:15 UTC.