An Update of Asia-Pacific Regional At-Large Organization (APRALO)

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RALOs

• Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs)
  – Formed by the (Internet users’ groups) ALSes located in each of the five geographic regions
  – To engage individual Internet user community in that region on ICANN work
ALSes in AP

- As of June 2010, 22 ALSes certified, e.g.
  - Aotearoa Maori Internet Organisation – decertified
  - Arab Knowledge Management Society (AKMS)
  - At Large@China
  - Communications and Multimedia Consumer Forum of Malaysia (CfM)
  - Chinese Domain Name Users Alliance
  - Emirates Internet Group
  - Hong Kong Internet Forum (HKIF)
  - Internet Users Network
  - Internet Users Society Niue
  - ISOC Australia
  - ISOC Chapter India Chennai
  - ISOC HK
  - ISOC NZ (Internet Society of NZ Incorporated)
  - ISOC Taiwan Chapter
  - National Information Infrastructure Enterprise Promotion Association (NIIEPA)
  - Pacific Islands Chapter of the Internet Society (PICISOC)
  - Society Vasudhay Kutumbhkum (ISVK)- India

Professor Hong Xue
• 2006-January 2007 Organizational preparation led by two AP rep. on the Interim ALAC appointed by the Board
  – Bylaws drafted
  – Preparatory meetings
• February 2007
  – Founding Bali Meeting
  – Operating Principles as agreed 28 February 2007
  – Memorandum of Understanding with ICANN agreed and Final Text as initialed on 28 February 2007
Regional Leadership

- CHAIR: Hong Xue (China)
  - VICE-CHAIR: Fouad Bajwa (Pakistan)
  - SECRETARIAT: ISOC-HK
- ALAC Representatives
  - V.C. Vivekanandan (India)
  - Cheryl Langdon-Orr (Australia)
APRALO Works

• Monthly Meetings
• AGMs
• Working Groups
  – At-Large Participation in ICANN
  – The Future Structure and Governance of ICANN
  – IDNs Policy
  – ICANN Transparency and Accountability
  – DNS Security Issues within ICANN's Remit
  – IPv4 to IPv6 Migration
  – New Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLDs)
  – Registrant /Registrar Relations
  – WHOIS Policy
  – At-Large IRT Response WG
Strategic Areas

• At-Large Director on ICANN Board
  – ABSdt
  – BCEC

• Transparency & Accountability Review
  – AoC Panel
  – Community consultation
  – .XXX issues
APRALO @ IGF

- One of the organizers of the Main Session of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2008
- Organizing a Workshop at IGF 2009
• CCTLD Community has been emphasizing that serving the local Internet community is an important feature that makes the ccTLDs different from the gTLDs.

• The IANA Procedure for Delegation or Redelegation of ccTLDs also clearly requires that relevant ccTLD delegation or redelegation request show how it will serve the local interest in the country.

• It is in the mutual interest of both the IDN ccTLD registry community and the local IDN user community to keep a very close, cooperative and supportive relationship.

• A Joint Meeting of APTLD and APRALO at ICANN meeting?
Thanks!

- **Hong Xue**
- Chair of APRALO
- Founding Member of ALAC
  Founding IDN Liaison for ALAC
- Member of Fellowship Committee
- Member of the President’s Advisory Committee on IDNs
- Member of Nomination Committee