WHAT IS AFRALO?

The African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO) is one of the five Regional At Large Organizations (RALOs) that make up the At Large constituency within ICANN. It provides news, resources and information for individuals and groups of end-users in the African region that enable them to actively participate in different activities organized by ICANN, particularly in the process of policy development to ensure that African voices are well heard.

Through an extensive outreach campaign, several At Large Structures (ALSes) have joined AFRALO in recent years. More than 44 ALSes representing 25 countries from the African region make up AFRALO. The At Large Structures are either Non Governmental Organizations or associations representing local Internet users or ICT activists in general. They are involved in Capacity building for underprivileged communities, promotion of free and open source software, development of culture, health, environment, and in general Human development in the continent making use of Internet in their activities.

AFRALO members and At-Large community members at the ICANN55 Meeting in Marrakesh, March 2016.

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THE AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

5 REGIONAL AT-LARGE ORGANIZATIONS (RALOs) — OVER 200 AT-LARGE STRUCTURES (ALSes)

The At-Large Structures form the basis of the At-Large community, representing the interests of individual Internet users worldwide. The five RALOs unite our ALSes based on their geographic regions, namely: Africa (AFRALO); Asia, Australasian and Pacific Islands (APRALO); Europe (EURALO); Latin American and the Caribbean Islands (LACRALO) and North America (NARALO).

AT-LARGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ALAC) — 15 MEMBERS

10 selected by RALOs to serve on the ALAC (2 from each RALO)

5 selected by NomCom to serve on the ALAC (1 from each region)

AFRALO SHOW CASE AND LOCAL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

AFRALO was the pioneer originator of the RALO Showcase in Regions where ICANN meetings are organized. We are proud that the Show Cases have become a tradition within the At Large Community as a whole.

In addition to activities related to the showcase, AFRALO organizes activities that are beneficial to local community, making use of the opportunity of hosting an ICANN meeting in our region. We invite local end users to take part to the ICANN meeting with a special program customized for them.

WHY SHOULD PEOPLE GET INVOLVED IN AFRALO AND HOW CAN THEY DO?

Within the ICANN’s Multi-stakeholder model, AFRALO is a volunteer community acting for the interest of Internet users in Africa. Most of its meetings and teleconferences are open to everyone regardless of his/her membership status in AFRALO.

To become an ALS, please complete the ALS application form: atlarge.icann.org/en/als-application[atlarge.icann.org]

Everybody can subscribe to the open mailing list: atlarge-lists.icann.org/mailman/listinfo/afri-discuss[atlarge-lists.icann.org]

COOPERATION WITH THE AFRICAN INTERNET REGIONAL REGISTRY “AFRINIC”

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the African Internet regional Registry “AFRINIC” (African Network Information Center) to:

- Strengthen cooperation for mutual development of both organizations,
- Facilitate the development of joint capabilities,
- Organize events and activities of mutual interest, including projects for research & development concerning the African region, meetings and/or workshops.

WHAT DO WE DO AT AFRALO?

One of the AFRALO key activities since 2009 is Capacity Building. We offer face to face and/or virtual training programs for our African ALSes. The objective of these programs is to give our community tools for a better involvement in all At-Large and ICANN activities (policy development process, working groups, etc.).

AFRALO has played a very active role in the IANA Stewardship Transition and ICANN Accountability process (ICG, CWG and CCWG). AFRALO contributed to the debate and presented its opinion at all steps of the development of the transition proposal.

Another tradition that AFRALO initiated in 2010 is the joint AFRALO-AfrICANN meeting organized by AFRALO during each ICANN meeting. The event gathers the African ICANN community and provides a forum through which matters of high interest in ICANN are debated. These meetings end with a joint statement submitted to the ICANN Board of Directors and the concerned parties.