

## Report on ICANN Activity for February 2015

ICANN 52, held in Singapore, happened this month.

The format of these meetings will change, beginning in 2016. There will be three types of meetings. One the size and shape it is now, except perhaps for the Public Forum, one larger meeting, meant to contain ICANN's Annual General Meeting, and the third, a small meeting to (a) get real work done and (b) reach out to the local community.

### At-Large Ad-Hoc WG on the Transition of US Government Stewardship of the IANA Function

- Discussion of the Names Community Proposal and At-Large's response to it.
  - Discussions are still on-going. There are two major committees involved in this: one for the transition itself and the other is concerned with ICANN's accountability and transparency and is particularly concerned with the post-transition situation.
  - There are major unresolved issues – some of these are serious enough for the committees (both of them) to turn to outside expertise in the field of corporation law.
- Bottom line: The Names Community Proposal will not likely be ready until at least June. This means that the transition will not happen this year, as was hoped.

### Technology Task Force

- Continuing encouragement to Task Force members to look out for tools, particularly mobile tools, that the community in general will find useful, especially for attending meetings.
- There has been a pause in the efforts to find solutions to the Policy Management problem that was mentioned last month.

### Registration Issues

I was unable to attend any of the three sessions on the subject of WHOIS.

### North America Region At Large Organization (NARALO)

- An MOU was signed with ARIN in Singapore. This is a mutual cooperation agreement.

### A Review of At-Large Structures (like us) and Our ICANN Activity is being launched.

- A working party is being formed, with two representatives from each Region.
- Presentation and other material will be sent to each Region chair.
- Problem: A lot of the ALS's have been pretty silent and inactive. There is an effort to “set expectations”. There is some ongoing discussion about this and the fact that we are, after all, volunteers.