

## Report on ICANN Activity for May 2017

### External Review of At-Large

There was some discussion on the External Reviewer's report – mainly more negative observations. A "final" version of the report became available mid-May. This will probably be discussed at the ICANN meeting in Johannesburg next month.

### Technology Task Force

The May meeting was mainly a status review of a number of items, including the Captioning project, for which a request was made for an extension on the pilot project.

There are some new issues, such as connectivity issues with Adobe Connect.

There is also a new search beginning for a replacement group chat application – preferably one that can be integrated with Adobe Connect chat, if that can be implemented.

### ICANN Evolution

No progress this month.

### Policy Statement Drafting Program.

The "writing team" published 5 "primers", each intended to very briefly introduce a topic for which policy is being discussed.

I reviewed all five of these efforts and presented a report, by mail, to Glenn McKnight. In that report, I mentioned that some of the writing is quite good, but where the primers attempt to "explain" technical matters (e.g. what at Top Level Domain is), their descriptions ranged from incorrect to less than coherent.

This effort, will likely also be discussed at the next ICANN meeting.