

Remember Us?

 "The role of the At-Large Advisory Committee ("ALAC") shall be to consider and provide advice on the activities of ICANN, insofar as they relate to the interests of individual Internet users."
Bylaws, XI, § 4

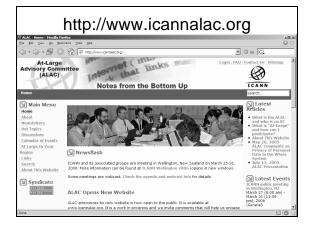
Introducing Our Chair

· Annette Muehlberg



Status update

- 50 At-Large Structures (ALSs) now cover all ICANN regions
- Two regions have begun the process to create Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs), Europe and Asia-Pacific
- New website launched in Wellington, visit us at http://www.icannalac.org



Policy Matters

- In Wellington, we held two well-attended Internet User Forums:
 - New top-level domains (gTLDs)
 - International domain names (IDNs)
- See links on our websites to the ICANNWIKI notes.
 Thanks ICANNWIKI folks!
- Let's continue this work with participation in the Policy Development Processes (PDP) to be launched.

Meeting with the ICANN Board

- No blood was shed. :)
- We were encouraged by the Board's stated commitment to Internet users' issues.
- We expressed concern that the Board does not respond to ALAC's input. Based on this meeting, we hope that predictable process and schedules will improve our communications.
- Board expressed strong desire to hear from individual Internet users and supported new information gathering.

Is anyone listening?

- Continuing concern about the .com agreement and settlement with Verisign
 - ALAC's public statement (on the website) expressed Internet users' concerns
- Return to ICANN's core values:
 - 6. "Introducing and promoting competition in the registration of domain names where practicable and beneficial in the public interest."