
DURBAN – Meeting Strategy Working Group
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SEBASTIEN BACHOLLET: Okay. Then I need to apologize for this starting. I need to make some housekeeping and I want to talk to the people who are doing interpretation here.

We will not have participation -- both participation here in everybody together, because we will split in three groups and you will not be able to interpret anything after I stop and they've stopped to speak.

Then you can stay for this part, but I -- if you leave now, we will not have any trouble because we will not need interpretation.

And I am really sorry. We must have organized that better and tell you before. I don't know if all the sessions today are like that, but once again, apologize for that.

It's bad preparation from my side to not tell you that beforehand.

Thank you very much for coming this morning. I see that the competing other meetings are running in the other side of the building and a few people are coming here, and we will try to take -- to use your participation, your time, and your brain as much as we can during this morning.

You are in the meeting about future strategy of the meetings, ICANN meetings, and we wanted to do two things a little bit differently.

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It's to engage you, not to have you just sitting in your chair, and to use the way it was done in Beijing for the global stakeholder engagement team, and we use the same type of interaction during this session about the strategy of ICANN.

And we will use to split in different groups, but I will leave Dave to tell you about that, how we will be organized.

We have, as a group, worked already a lot. We organized three subgroups. We started to write some initial reports, but we were not ready to have a report before Durban and we decided to -- not to ask you to comment on our report, but to help you to help us to set up this final -- or this interim report. Your brain will be much welcome.

If you can follow the way Dave will explain to you how we want to interact, it will be very good, and I will give him the microphone to explain to you in more detail how we will organize this one in the subsequent hour. Thank you very much.

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Good -- so as Sebastien mentioned, we're going to be getting up out of our chairs and working in groups.

We've set up three different locations in this space that each have different questions that the meetings strategy group worked through themselves on Monday, and we wanted the community to give their input on those things as well. So what we'd like to ask you to do is actually come on up and participate in this and provide your feedback, thoughts, and input into these questions as well.

Let's -- we'll start over here.

And the working group actually has two questions that they raised but they haven't worked through yet, and if we could ask you to start over there and work through those, and we'll ask folks who are here to attend the meeting and hopefully participate in this to step over that way and we'll work over there.

And what we'll do is just work our way around the room and provide feedback and input on these things.

Come on up.

[Working in groups]

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