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NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you very much.

Good morning, good afternoon, good evening, everybody.
Welcome to the GNSO Council Meeting, Part II on the 21st of
October 2020.

Will you please acknowledge your name when I call it. Thank
you very much.

Pam Little.

PAM LITTLE: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Maxim Alzoba.

MAXIM ALZOBA: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Sebastien Ducos.

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SEBASTIEN DUCOS: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: And our incoming registry councilor, Kurt Pritz.

KURT PRITZ: Hey.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Greg DiBiase.

GREG DiBIASE: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Our incoming registrar councilor, Kristian Ormen.

KRISTIAN ORMEN: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Tom Dale.

TOM DALE: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Marie Pattullo,

MARIE PATTULLO: Still here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Our incoming BC councilor Mark Datysgeld.

MARK DATYSGELD: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: John McElwaine.

JOHN McELWAINE: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Flip Petillion.

FLIP PETILLION: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Philippe Fouquart.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Osvaldo Novoa.

OSVALDO NOVOA: Here, thank you.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Our incoming NCSG councilor Wisdom Donkor.

WISDOM DONKOR: Here, thank you.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you.

Incoming NCSG councilor once again, Stephanie Perrin.

STEPHANIE PERRIN: I'm here. Thank you.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you.

Farell Folly.

FARELL FOLLY: I'm here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Incoming NCSG councilor Tomslin Samme-Nlar.

TOMSLIN SAMME-NLAR: Here, thanks.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you.

Tatiana Tropina?

TATIANA TROPINA: Hey.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Incoming NCSG councilor elected after finishing Martin Silva Valent's term, Juan Manuel Rojas.

JUAN MANUEL ROJAS: Here.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Carlton Samuels.

I don't see Carlton in the Zoom room yet.

Cheryl Langdon-Orr.

CHERYL LANGDON ORR: Present.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you.

Olga Cavalli, our incoming NomCom appointee.

OLGA CAVALLI: Here, Nathalie, thank you.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you. Our incoming GNSO liaison to the GAC, Jeff Neuman.

JEFF NEUMAN: Here, thanks.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you. And Maarten Simon, who I do not see in Zoom. We'll also go back to them.

We equally have a GNSO support staff in the Zoom room with us. I'd like to remind councilors that we are in a Zoom webinar room. You have all been promoted to panelists and can activate your microphones and participate in the chat as usual. Please remember to set your chats to "all panelists and attendees" for all to be able to read the exchanges.

A warm welcome to observers on the call who can now follow the council meeting directly. Observers on this call are silent observers; they, therefore, do not have access to their microphones nor to the chat option.

As a reminder those who take part in the ICANN multistakeholder process are to comply with Expected Standards of Behavior.

Thank you, and for the beginning of this call I will hand over to Pam Little, GNSO Council vice-chair.

Thank you, Pam. Please go ahead.

PAM LITTLE:

Thank you very much, Nathalie.

I will now move to our agenda item 1.2, updates to statements of interest.

So here we have -- first a very warm welcome to our new councilors and to Jeff. Back to the Council and take the very important role of the Council's liaison to the GAC. Welcome, everyone.

So the statements of interest, you can see all the new councilors statements of interest. I -- I hope -- assume they are up-to-date.

And are there any updates other than what's listed there? And also a kind reminder to outgoing councilors, but they have already left us to perhaps update their Statement of Interest as well.

Not seeing any hands or updates, so I guess we can move on to the next agenda item, which is review the -- or amend the agenda.

Nathalie, can you actually scroll down a -- yep.

So we just have item 2 on our agenda is election of the GNSO chair and GNSO Council chair. And item 3 is any other business. We have confirmation of vice-chairs and reminder that the GNSO

chair is also the interim representative to the Empowered Community Administration.

Are there any questions? Suggestions? Comments on the agenda?

Seeing none, I will move to item 2, election of the chair.

So as you can see here, we -- this year we only have one candidate for the chair position, and that's Philippe Fouquart. I hope I pronounced that correctly, Philippe. I'm sorry if I didn't.

So -- and but the Council -- usually in the past we would conduct the vote at the annual -- ICANN annual meeting, the AGM, and the -- traditionally we would actually have the in-person and the paper ballots to vote. And so that -- that is how it was done in the past. But this year we are in a very unique situation where we -- the chair position is not contested, but we are not able to meet in person to conduct the paper vote.

So during the course of last month, the GNSO Council leadership, two of them just left us, and staff were discussing what's the best way to conduct this election when we are in a virtual setting. We thought given the unique situation where the chairs actually only have one nominee and we're not able to meet face to face, we thought the roll call vote seemed to be the most appropriate mechanism to vote.

So with that, we would conduct this vote by a roll call vote.

And I would ask Nathalie to do that, if that's okay.

Nathalie, over to you.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you very much, Pam.

As a reminder to all, the GNSO chair is voted with a 60% threshold in each house.

So we will be -- we will be aiming for that today.

The ballot will have the choice of either Philippe Fouquart or none of the above.

So please make sure to state clearly either Philippe Fouquart or none of the above as your choices.

We do need to have 60% in each house. However, we are hoping to get hold of Carlton Samuels swiftly.

If we do not manage to get hold of Carlton, we will -- if we get 60% of each house, we will consider this a preliminary count, and Philippe will be presumptive chair until the time that I get a ballot of Carlton. Hopefully, this will be as soon as possible.

If everyone is all right with that, I will now proceed to the roll call vote.

Tatiana Tropina.

TATIANA TROPINA: Philippe Fouquart.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Mark Datysgeld.

MARK DATYSGELD: Philippe.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: I'm sorry, Mark, I couldn't hear that. Could you speak up.

MARK DATYSGELD: Philippe Fouquart.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you very much.

Tom Dale.

TOM DALE: Philippe Fouquart.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Sebastien Ducos.

SEBASTIEN DUCOS: Philippe Fouquart.

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NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Kurt Pritz.

KURT PRITZ: Philippe Fouquart.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Philippe Fouquart.

Philippe? You may be muted.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: I'm sorry. Philippe Fouquart.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Carlton Samuels?

I don't see Carlton on the call, (indiscernible).

All right. So with seven votes in favor of Philippe Fouquart in the Contracted Party House, and with 12 votes in favor of Philippe Fouquart in the non-Contracted Party House, with no votes for "none of the above" in either, we have a 100% vote in support of Philippe Fouquart for the Contracted Party House, and a 92.31% vote in support of Philippe for the non-Contracted Party House.

Pending Carlton Samuels' vote, we have nevertheless reached 60% in each house. So Philippe Fouquart is now elected GNSO Council chair for the 2021 term.

Congratulations.

And back to you.

PAM LITTLE: Thank you, Nathalie. Thank you for conducting the vote and for the results.

I'm sure if Carlton was here, he would be voting for Philippe as well.

Please, councillors, join me to congratulating Philippe as the new GNSO Council chair.

With that, I will hand it over to Philippe Fouquart.

Thank you.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART:

Thank you. Thank you, Pam. And thanks, everyone, for their support. I won't be bothering you with a long acceptance speech. I'm just really grateful for the trust that you have placed in me, grateful to the Contracted Party House as well as the non-Contracted Party House with their nominations. I'm looking forward to this and will do my best. I think there's a French writer who once said that was the definition of a hero. So I won't go as far as that. But I'll do my utmost.

And in that respect, if at some point I don't do my best, please reach out. I think I put that in my statement. But I would like us to be a team. I appreciate that these are awkward days for starting a council. We will make sure that we get to know each other with our strategic planning session sometime in November. But it's not like meeting in person, so it's going to be

a bit more difficult, I guess. But, really, if there's anything that you think I or the leadership team should do differently, reach out. And we will have to make up for the corridor discussions that we cannot have, the early breakfasts or late dinners that we're not going to have for some time. So, again, please reach out.

So without further ado, I think we can move on to the remainder of our meeting.

Going back to the agenda, Ariel, would you like to scroll down to the item number 3 that you have on the screen, confirmation of the vice-chairs.

Thank you.

So as you would know, and in accordance with the GNSO working procedures, the Contracted Party House has appointed Pam, Pam Little, as vice-chair. And the non-Contracted Party House has appointed Tatiana Tropina as the second vice-chair. I'm really delighted to join the team, and I think we should -- you should join in in welcoming and congratulating them in that role. I'm sure we're going to do an excellent -- excellent job.

I see, Pam, that you have your hand up, so I'll turn over to you, Pam.

PAM LITTLE: Thank you, Philippe. Just very briefly. And I very much look forward to working with you and Tatiana and all our councillors for the next 12 months.

So wish us luck. And as you said, we'll do our best to serve the GNSO Council.

Thank you.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you. Thank you, Pam.

And it is -- as, I think, Berry mentioned, there's a lot on the plate for the next few months. And I'm sure that with this team, we're up to that work. But it is challenging. And I'm sure we'll see that during the SPS.

With this, I see no other hands. So moving -- moving on to 3.2. That's a reminder of the GNSO chair as the representative to the empowered community administration.

As you would recall, at least for the councilors who were council in 2018, council approved a motion whereby the leadership team would determine who's going to represent the GNSO to the EC administration. According to that motion, obviously, between the AGM and the decision of the leadership team, there has to be an interim representative to the EC administration.

And according to that motion, it is the GNSO chair. So this is just a reminder to our councillors.

Maybe I'll turn to -- if people would like to have some more background, Julie or Steve, do you want to add anything on this? Or is that sufficient?

STEVE CHAN: Thanks, Philippe, I think you covered it. Unless there are questions, then I'll come in. But I think you covered it.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thanks, Steve.

Any questions on this?

Okay. Seeing no hands, let's now move on to the very, very last - - very last item, I believe.

So what we --

Oh, Pam, you had your hand up. Pam.

PAM LITTLE: Thank you, Philippe. I would just help you to answer Kurt's question, what does interim mean in 3.2.

I believe because we actually need a formal motion to confirm that appointment, so that would follow maybe in the November meeting. So that's why it's interim at this point.

Does that make sense?

Steve, correct me, or Mary, if I got it right.

Thanks, Julie.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thanks, Pam. And thanks for correcting me. Yes, I should have maybe begun with that.

It is, indeed, interim because the -- the designation, I think its "determination" is the word of the motion -- has to be endorsed by council. So, hopefully, we'll meet up within the next few days and we'll make a proposal to council for the November meeting.

Thanks, Pam.

Any other comment?

Okay. Seeing no hands, what we thought before we adjourn the meeting, we thought it would be good, as is customary, I think, even if it's a virtual table here, it would be good to go around the table and have a short introduction by the -- the incoming councillors.

So I'd suggest that we take the order which was at the very beginning of the agenda and just give you some time to introduce yourself, if you would. And bearing in mind that we will have more time during the SPS, but we thought that it would be a good opportunity for us to do that.

So we'll start with Kurt.

Kurt, you have the floor.

KURT PRITZ:

Hi, Philippe. Thanks very much.

So Kurt Pritz. I -- from the Registry Stakeholder Group. I work for the .ART domain name registry.

I have the unique perspective of coming from inside ICANN Org and also working outside of that. So I hope that provides some value to the council.

I don't know. I'm the first one to go. But, you know, a wise American folklorist once said you can learn a lot by listening. That's a paraphrase of that. So I've told the Registry Stakeholder Group, which has a wide variety of desired policy outcomes, that I would listen to them. And, you know, I also promise to listen carefully to what each of you have to say.

So I'm very pleased to be here. I'm very pleased that Philippe is our chair. And thanks very much.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you, Kurt. And thanks for the kind words. I'm sure that it will be much appreciated, well, especially for the -- with your outlook on the experience of the first-ever EPDP and the lessons to be learned in that respect. We'll be talking about that in the -- the discussions on the -- the design phase in the small team that we alluded to. I think that that's at least one of the things that I'd like to discuss there.

Thanks again.

So, Kristian.

KRISTIAN ORMEN: Thank you. My name is Kristian Ormen. I'm joining the council on behalf of the Registrar Stakeholder Group. Preserved, I served in the Registrar Stakeholder Group Ex Com as the secretary.

I work at Larsen Data, which is a Danish registrar, also part of One.com group.

At Larsen Data, I work with domain name policy registry contacts, compliance, and abuse. And I have worked with domain name space all my life. I started when I was 18 years old. So that's, yeah, 20 years ago.

Thank you.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thanks, Kristian.

Mark.

MARK DATYSGELD: Thank you very much. My name is Mark Datysgeld. I come from the LAC region, and I represent the BC. I run an Internet governance consultant focused on SMEs and Global South integration in (indiscernible) environments.

I got started in ICANN via an action program back if 2015, and it's pretty exciting to have come all the way to the Council, to be honest with you.

I have been very active in universal acceptance for the past few years, doing a lot of research there. And also active in policy-making that relates to ICANN structure and processes. And really looking forward to working together with all of you.

Thank you very much.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you. Thank you. Already lots of different backgrounds for ICANN citizen. I'm glad we can have such a strong team.

Stephanie, a newcomer to Council.

STEPHANIE PERRIN: Thank you very much. Stephanie Perrin for the record. I did serve on Council from 2014 to 2018.

In terms of background, I retired from the Canadian government in 2013, shortly after joining the experts working group on the RDS policy. And during my time in government I worked a great deal on data protection issues, drafting laws, working in the Privacy Commissioner's office but mostly of the time on technology impact assessment at the Communications and Telecoms department. So I now do consulting.

Thank you.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thanks, Stephanie. And you're with the NCSG.

STEPHANIE PERRIN: Yes. Sorry. That's an important point that I forgot.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: (Laughing).

And Wisdom now.

WISDOM DONKOR: Hello. Thank you very much. For the record, my name is Wisdom Donkor. I live in Ghana. And I work with Africa Open Data and Internet Research Foundation. I used to work with government, but then I resigned in 2017 to join the Africa Open Data program.

During my time with government, we used to work on the national data center trying to make sure we take access of Internet to every part of government within Ghana, and also trying to redelegate .GH to the government of Ghana. And also looking at open data, we started our coalition in Africa in 2011, 2012, up to now. Also data protection. We are still advocated to go make sure that every part of Africa is opening up data and also adopting the data protection policies and all that.

So might also say a big thank you to my colleagues from the NCSG for nominating me to the Council, and also the support I had from the community globally, Africa and other parts of the

world. And also, I've been on the MAG -- IGF MAG for three years, 2016. I started in 2016, yes. And then during that time I also had a chance to coordinate the connectivity and enabling the next billion programs within the IGF.

So -- and I think it's going to be fun being on the Council and see what I can also do to contribute to the process.

Thank you very much.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you, Wisdom.

It's going to be fun, and many other things I'm sure. And welcome. Welcome to Council.

To Tomslin now.

TOMSLIN SAMME-NLAR: Thank you, Philippe. My name is Tomslin Samme-Nlar, and I'm an NCSG representative here. I also happen to be the GNSO co-chair to the IANA function -- Naming Function Review Team. And also the NCSG representative to that team as well.

And I do work for a company called Entity in Australia.

Thank you.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you. So we're now to -- I'm a bit lost in the list, but Juan Manuel? Is that --

JUAN MANUEL ROJAS: Okay. My name is Juan Manuel Rojas. I'm from Colombia. I'm a journalist by profession, by Internet governance by labor. I have been involved in -- since 2010 when Internet governance school found me in Brazil, thanks to Olga for that. And then I have been involved in Internet governance from that -- from that time.

I have been working also in government consultant, and I work also as an e-governance director in ICT cluster here in my country and also part of all of Internet governance in Colombia. So I think I can share the civil society perspective also as -- from Latin America, and I hope to enjoy this time with all of you to work together.

So thank you very much.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you, Juan Manuel, and welcome.

And last but not least for the councilors, Olga.

OLGA CAVALLI: Hello. Can you hear me, Philippe?

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Yes, we can. Olga Cavalli, Ole Olsen thank you.

OLGA CAVALLI: Thank you very much, and congratulations for your appointment as GNSO chair. That's a very challenging role. I'm sure that you will do it very, very well. And also congratulations to Tatiana and Pam for their appointment as vice-chairs.

And I'm very excited to come again to the GNSO. I used to be a GNSO Council member also as NomCom appointee, and I think I started in 2007 and finished in 2011. And I have been also advising government of Argentina. So I also participated in the GAC as vice-chair. And I was co-chair of the work track 5 activities in the new gTLD subsequent procedures group. Also member of the small team for the EPDP in the GAC. So I'm involved in ICANN since 2006.

I hope I can bring some views and experience, the views from Latin America and developing economies into the ICANN process. And my activities are mainly focused now in capacity building activities and investigation about public policy related with Internet.

Thank you very much.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you, Olga. And, indeed, we're blessed to have such a variety of backgrounds and not even culture but also experience in ICANN policy investment, but beyond that. And I'm sure the whole council will benefit from your respective -- your respective experiences. And I'm really looking forward to -- to the year to come, bearing in mind that this is, again, as I said really frustrating to do this remotely but there we are.

So welcome to all incoming councilors.

I'll turn to Jeff next. Jeff is the new liaison to the GAC. And for those of us who wouldn't know you, it would be good for you to say a few words about yourself, if you can, Jeff.

JEFF NEUMAN: Sure. Thanks, Philippe.

I'm a newbie. This is my first -- No, I'm kidding.

I've been actually involved in the ICANN space since before there was an ICANN and the Internet Forum for the White Paper. I did serve on Council twice, once from -- I want to say it's 2003 to 2005 because I took over for someone and again 2010 to 2013 or '14. So I'm definitely familiar with that.

I've been very involved in policy development processes for a long time. And I'm also currently now one of the co-chairs to --

with Cheryl of the subsequent procedures PDP. Hoping to wrap that up by the end of the year. So -- but through that process, I have certainly gained a new-found respect and admiration for the GAC and the way they operate and have tried to, through subsequent procedures, bring the GNSO policy development process closer to the GAC and bring the GAC much more into the GNSO processes. And I think work track 5, which Olga was one of the co-chairs of that and actually still on our leadership team, is -- was just one of the many steps we took to bring the groups closer together. And I just hope that as the liaison, I can continue to bring them closer together and, you know, help the GNSO in the GAC activities.

So looking forward to this new role.

Thanks.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thanks, Jeff. And, yes, I think there's well recognition that the work track, but more broadly the PDP, did take into account a number of inputs from them, being (indiscernible) of their responses to the consultation. And also to the national discussions that we've had. We've heard that nationally within the calls that the way the PDP handled GAC's inputs -- and it's

never enough anyway on this, but I think there's well recognition it's pretty much a model and that we can use for the future.

Thanks, Jeff. And again, I'm looking forward to working with all of you. As I said, my intent is to build a strong leadership team and to delegate as much as possible. We will address that during the SPS, working on small teams. And I'm really impatient to do this.

Before we adjourn the meeting, I think we might want to -- I think it's all we need to cover for this. We -- I'll turn to -- to Nathalie or Ariel for the agenda. I think we've covered it all.

There was a question of a Zoom photo. I don't know if you can do this.

Before we adjourn, I think I need to mention the wrapping -- wrapping session that I'm sure you all have on your agendas. That's tomorrow, Thursday, where we will review the next steps, some of which we alluded to during this morning's session, or evening, wherever you are.

So with this, I'd like to adjourn the meeting unless anyone would like to comment.

I'm looking at the hands. Seeing no -- no hands, any way we can take a picture or do we leave it to...

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Philippe, this is Nathalie.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Yeah, Nathalie.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: All right. Perfect. I see we have almost all councillors sharing their screens. Wonderful.

I will have to call out Stephanie Perrin (Audio dropped) if you want.

Hold on.

So we're going to have to do a very smart montage with this, as you are on two separate screens.

Ariel, are you able to screenshot this or shall I do it?

ARIEL LANG: This is Ariel, yes, I can screenshot this. But perhaps I can just say one, two, three, cheese, and hold your smile for a second so I can get everybody in the photo.

So give me one second.

>> Good advice, Ariel.

ARIEL LANG: And now we'll do a couple of those photos just to have a copy.
Okay.
So let me get this ready.
So okay.
One, two, three, cheese.
Please hold your smile for two seconds, and we're going to do another one.
Okay. One, two, three, cheese.
Okay. So just for safety, let's do another round, make sure we get everyone.
Okay. So one, two, three, cheese.
Okay. And one more.
One, two, three, cheese.
Okay. Thank you so much. Hopefully, I got everyone. And I will do some photo editing and put everybody together.
Thanks, everyone.

PHILIPPE FOUQUART: Thank you. And as usual, as we say, don't look at the screen; look at the camera.

With this, I'd like to adjourn the meeting, unless anyone would like to have a last comment.

Okay. Seeing none, have a nice rest of your day, wherever you are. Looking forward to this. And speak to you very, very soon.

MULTIPLE VOICES: Bye bye.

NATHALIE PEREGRINE: Thank you, all, for joining. This concludes the GNSO Council meeting, part 2.

You may now drop your lines. Councillors, please join the wrap-up session tomorrow. And in the meantime, have a great rest of your days and evenings.

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