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## APTLD

- **Next Event:** APTLD's next meeting for Members and Friends will be in Muscat, Oman starting on Sunday, 11 May 2014. There will be three days of conference and may be additional days for focused workshops.
- APTLD is now seeking volunteers to participate in the Oman meeting.

### MoU Signed between APTLD and APRALO during ICANN 49

-- APTLD's Don Hollander and APRALO's Siranush Vardanyan signing a MoU between the two organisations during the ICANN meeting in Singapore 26 March 2014.



APRALO consists of 35 certified At-Large Structures who cover the huge territories from Caucasus to New Zealand, from China to Australia and from the Middle East to the Pacific Islands. According to the World Internet Users Statistics, the APRALO region makes up 49.5% of all internet users. On March 26 2014 during ICANN 49 Public meeting in Singapore APRALO very privileged to sign an official Memorandum of Understanding with Regional APTLD. This is the new era of mutual cooperation and support with important regional organisation, which will strengthen the relationship that APRALO



has, and can continue into the future in partnership with this important regional partner.

When she's not pursuing international cooperation agreements, Siranush is engaged in the development of the Internet community in Armenia, where she juggles the role of mother and local and global advocate for Internet users.

Don Hollander has been the General Manager of APTLD just since November last year. In his spare time he surrounds himself with more than 60,000 books – and likes cooking round food.

## Members News

**(.nz InternetNZ)**



**Shot in the arm for Internet researchers**

<https://internetnz.net.nz/news/media-releases/2014/Shot-arm-Internet-researchers>

**Prepared Statement of InternetNZ before the Justice and Electoral Select Committee on the Harmful Digital Communications Bill**

<https://internetnz.net.nz/news/blog/2014/Prepared-Statement-InternetNZ-Justice-and-Electoral-Select-Committee-Harmful-Digital->

**(.sg Singapore Network Information Centre)**



**Special names for a limited period! Grab it now!**

<http://www.nic.net.sg/news/special-names-limited-period-grab-it-now-11>

**(.wf AFNIC)**



**Afnic – INPI Workshop on Domain Names on March 25**

<http://www.afnic.fr/en/about-afnic/news/general-news/7698/show/afnic-inpi-workshop-on-domain-names-on-march-25.html>

**What is the Average Age of a Domain Name Under the .fr TLD?**

<http://www.afnic.fr/en/about-afnic/news/general-news/7687/show/what-is-the-average-age-of-a-domain-name-under-the-fr-tld.html>



## **Afnic Re-Organization Effective as of March 31, 2014**

<http://www.afnic.fr/en/about-afnic/news/general-news/7758/show/afnic-re-organization-effective-as-of-march-31-2014-1.html>

## **Afnic to Attend WorldHostingDays 2014**

<http://www.afnic.fr/en/about-afnic/news/general-news/7744/show/afnic-to-attend-worldhostingdays-2014.html>

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## **Communications Regulatory Authority Organizes Telecommunications Regulatory Conference 2014**

<http://www.ictqatar.qa/en/news-events/news/communications-regulatory-authority-organizes-telecommunications-regulatory>

## **H.E. Dr. Hessa Al-Jaber Leads Qatar Delegation to ITU's 6th WTDC in Dubai**

<http://www.ictqatar.qa/en/news-events/news/he-dr-hessa-al-jaber-leads-qatar-delegation-itu's-6th-wtdc-dubai>

## **Active Surveys**

**Survey: A-Level 2014** – The data gathered from this large scale survey will be used to provide a large body of knowledge which initially will be aggregated into multiple in-depth reports and analysis of its results. Access the survey at [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/A-level\\_2014](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/A-level_2014)

(Already responded to the survey: .as, .au, .cn, .hk, .jo, .jp, .my, .nc, .nf, .nr, .nu, .nz, .om, .sa, .tj, .tw, .vn)

**Survey: Launch and Use of IDNs (2014)** – This survey was initiated by the Registry for .eu (EURid) who will use some of the data received to feed into their IDN World Report. Access the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QZH9QYC>.

(Members who have already submitted to this survey: .au, .cn, .kr, .lk, .mo, .nu, .sg, شدة بركة)



## Other News

Internet Governance Observations and Recommendations

<http://www.netnod.se/internet-governance-observations-and-recommendations>

NTT (AS2914) is now present at Netnod!

<http://www.netnod.se/ntt-as2914-now-present-netnod>

Netnod welcomes globalisation of IANA

<http://www.netnod.se/netnod-welcomes-globalisation-iana>

Afilias welcomes .ONL and .RICH to the Internet

<http://www.afilias.info/news/2014/03/12/afilias-welcomes-onl-and-rich-internet>

Afilias joins Internet Technical Leaders in Welcoming IANA Globalization progress

<http://www.afilias.info/iana-globalization>

Afilias welcomes “Dot Chinese Online” and “Dot Chinese Website” top-level domains to the Internet

<http://www.afilias.info/news/2014/03/19/afilias-welcomes-“dot-chinese-online”-and-“dot-chinese-website”-top-level-domains-in>

Google giving away 5,000 free new gTLD domains

<http://domainincite.com/16016-google-giving-away-5000-free-new-gtld-domains>

Common first name lost to URS complaint

<http://domainincite.com/16073-common-first-name-lost-to-urs-complaint>

US to give up control over ICANN

<http://domainincite.com/16085-us-to-give-up-control-over-icann>



Belgians do want a piece of Donuts' new gTLD action

<http://domainincite.com/16103-roundup-industry-reaction-to-us-giving-up-iana-role>

Verisign stock punished after US move from root control

<http://domainincite.com/16115-verisign-stock-punished-after-us-move-from-root-control>

Donuts plays the genericide card in showdown with Belgian government over .spa

<http://domainincite.com/16154-donuts-plays-the-genericide-card-in-showdown-with-belgian-government-over-spa>

Community gTLD applicants flunk on "nexus"

<http://domainincite.com/16158-community-gtld-applicants-flunk-on-nexus>

New Top Level Domain Names still facing compatibility issues

<http://domainnamewire.com/2014/03/11/new-top-level-domain-names-still-facing-compatibility-issues/>

New York man may have lucked out with Apple CarPlay

<http://domainnamewire.com/2014/03/12/new-york-man-may-have-lucked-out-with-apple-carplay/>

WSJ: GoDaddy prepping for Initial Public Offering

<http://domainnamewire.com/2014/03/14/wsj-godaddy-prepping-for-initial-public-offering/>

NTIA: U.S. won't abandon its role in the internet until it's satisfied with the alternative

<http://domainnamewire.com/2014/03/19/ntia-u-s-wont-abandon-its-role-in-the-internet-until-its-satisfied-with-the-alternative/>

AdDomains: A New Weapon for Traditional Advertising

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140311\\_addomains\\_a\\_new\\_weapon\\_for\\_traditional\\_advertising/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140311_addomains_a_new_weapon_for_traditional_advertising/)

Berners-Lee Calls for Bill of Rights for the Web

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/berners\\_lee\\_calls\\_for\\_bill\\_of\\_rights\\_for\\_the\\_web/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/berners_lee_calls_for_bill_of_rights_for_the_web/)



Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the World Wide Web

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140312\\_celebrating\\_the\\_25th\\_anniversary\\_of\\_the\\_world\\_wide\\_web/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140312_celebrating_the_25th_anniversary_of_the_world_wide_web/)

U.S. Government Announces Intent to Transition DNS Functions to Global Community

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140314\\_us\\_gov\\_announces\\_intent\\_to\\_transition\\_dns\\_functions/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140314_us_gov_announces_intent_to_transition_dns_functions/)

Future of Cloud Computing and Why It's Here to Stay

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140313\\_future\\_of\\_cloud\\_computing\\_and\\_why\\_its\\_here\\_to\\_stay/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140313_future_of_cloud_computing_and_why_its_here_to_stay/)

The Name Collision Conference

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140314\\_the\\_name\\_collision\\_conference/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140314_the_name_collision_conference/)

How Are ICANN's New TLDs Doing?

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140316\\_how\\_are\\_icanns\\_new\\_tlds\\_doing/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140316_how_are_icanns_new_tlds_doing/)

If the Stakeholders Already Control the Internet, Why NETmundial and the IANA Transition?

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140316\\_if\\_the\\_stakeholders\\_already\\_control\\_the\\_internet\\_netmundial\\_iana/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140316_if_the_stakeholders_already_control_the_internet_netmundial_iana/)

Is NTIA's Transition Decision the Right Dose of Chemotherapy to Repair Trust in Multistakeholderism

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140317\\_is\\_ntias\\_transition\\_decision\\_right\\_doze\\_of\\_chemotherapy\\_to\\_repair/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140317_is_ntias_transition_decision_right_doze_of_chemotherapy_to_repair/)

Thoughts About U.S. Government's Decision on IANA Transition

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140318\\_thoughts\\_on\\_us\\_governments\\_decision\\_on\\_iana\\_transition/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140318_thoughts_on_us_governments_decision_on_iana_transition/)

Registration Numbers Not the Only Success Measure for New TLDs

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140319\\_registration\\_numbers\\_not\\_the\\_only\\_success\\_measure\\_for\\_new\\_tlds/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140319_registration_numbers_not_the_only_success_measure_for_new_tlds/)



Cloud Computing Can Make You More Secure

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140319\\_cloud\\_computing\\_can\\_make\\_you\\_more\\_secure/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140319_cloud_computing_can_make_you_more_secure/)

Big Changes Coming To Google Search Results

<http://www.thedomains.com/2014/03/11/big-changes-coming-to-google-search-results/>

M.Dot Rebranded as Go Daddy Go Mobile

<http://www.thedomains.com/2014/03/10/m-dot-rebranded-as-go-daddy-go-mobile/>

Larry Smith: CambridgeMovers.com Is Not Very Much in Relation to EyemakeupRemovers.com

<http://www.thedomains.com/2014/03/10/larry-smith-cambridgemovers-com-is-not-very-much-in-relation-to-eyemakeupremovers-com/>

New gTLD's Registered With Word "Eco" Are Being Take Back: On ICANN's Restricted List

<http://www.thedomains.com/2014/03/11/new-gtlds-registered-with-word-eco-are-being-take-back-on-icann-restricted-list/>

Donuts Letter To Those That Lost Eco New gTLD's

<http://www.thedomains.com/2014/03/14/donuts-letter-to-those-that-lost-eco-new-gtlds/>

ICANN 49: Singapore – Generic Domains Division (GDD) Sessions

<http://onlinedomain.com/2014/03/11/news/icann-49-singapore-generic-domains-division-gdd-sessions/>

ICANN sends notice of breach to 2 registrars: Internet.bs and Novaltel

<http://onlinedomain.com/2014/03/11/news/icann-sends-notice-of-breach-to-2-registrars-internet-bs-and-novaltel/>

ICANN's Draft Plan for the WHOIS Online Accuracy and Reporting System

<http://onlinedomain.com/2014/03/15/news/icanns-draft-plan-for-the-whois-online-accuracy-and-reporting-system/>



4 more New gTLDs were delegated: .世界 (Chinese for “world/shijie” ) and 3 from Public Interest Registry (PIR)

<http://onlinedomain.com/2014/03/15/news/4-more-new-gtlds-were-delegated-世界-chinese-for-worldshijie-and-3-from-public-interest-registry-pir/>

Draft Implementation Plan for the WHOIS Online Accuracy and Reporting System

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-11mar14-en.htm>

Finishing What We Started: A Level Playing Field for New gTLDs

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140320\\_finishing\\_what\\_we\\_started\\_a\\_level\\_playing\\_field\\_for\\_new\\_gtlds/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140320_finishing_what_we_started_a_level_playing_field_for_new_gtlds/)

Closed Generic TLDs - The Final Battle?

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140320\\_closed\\_generic\\_tlds\\_the\\_final\\_battle/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20140320_closed_generic_tlds_the_final_battle/)

## ICANN

Notice of Preliminary Determination To Grant Registrar Data Retention Waiver Request for NAMEWEB BVBA

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-2-21mar14-en.htm>

ICANN Seeks Public Comment on 2013 RAA Data Retention Specification Data Elements and Legitimate Purposes for Collection and Retention

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-3-21mar14-en.htm>

175+ New gTLDs Delegated

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-24mar14-en.htm>

".Africa" Signing Ceremony Held at ICANN 49

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-26mar14-en.htm>

Singapore GAC Communiqué





<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-27mar14-en.htm>

Fellowship Program Brings Global Voices Together at ICANN | Fellows Announced for London Meeting

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-31mar14-en.htm>

Update from the 2014 Nominating Committee Chair

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-01apr14-en.htm>

## Current ICANN Public Consultations

Draft Implementation Plan for the WHOIS Online Accuracy and Reporting System

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/whois-accuracy-reporting-11mar14-en.htm>

Mitigating the Risk of DNS Namespace Collisions

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/name-collision-26feb14-en.htm>

Proposal for the Use of Mandatory Policy Advisory Boards for Regulated Industry Sector and Consumer-Trust-Sensitive New gTLD Strings

<http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/pab-new-gtld-strings-21mar14-en.htm>

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