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Accessibility Standing Group

Accessibility Standing Group Leaders call – Dec 8 2022

Gunela Astbrink

I'm going to go backwards with the agenda for class.

Gunela Astbrink

So, so in case he misses these particular items, I'm going to mention item, agenda items six and seven. And ask also, if any other items of business you'd like to include on the agenda class. Okay, so I'm planning for February annual members meeting, we talked about that at the last meeting. So it's really thinking about having maybe a guest, Keynote, guest speaker, and then basically talking about what we are doing. And also may be a bit about what we plan to do and 2023 Because that's what we're going to talk about at the January meeting. So and then we would like to hear from members about their ideas, and so forth. So how does that sound?

Klaus Hoeckner

Your plan also really face to face meeting during the year

Klaus Hoeckner

now is trained under Virtual mode.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, yeah. I mean, we don't have budget. And no, I can't know because apart the budget for the standing group, does not include any travel. So that's totally out. And, and and I think what we need to concentrate on as a keynote speaker, someone we feel who could, who could offer offers something really, really insightful. Someone may be either within the membership, or someone high profile outside the membership. So I have one idea, but then the Oh, Ash Garcia Hello, Mashka.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, well, while Vasquez connecting, I just want to suggest that we might we might get budget for paying a keynote speaker maybe. And if that's the case, one name that is Hey, Ben Girma. She's American lawyer. You know her class. Yes. Have have you. Have you been in a conference where she's presenting?

Klaus Hoeckner

I wasn't the conference this year in Nairobi, where she was presented. However, she was sent. I know she wants to 15,000 euros.

Gunela Astbrink

I said that much. Yeah. Okay. Well, that's our total budget.

Klaus Hoeckner

This was this was paid by the state. Agents are both overdue. Bye, bye, bye. Oh, you said by American authorities, yeah. Because it was supported or supported by the by some American embassies and in Nairobi, and I talked to them and they said, It's between 12 and 50,000 euros. But I don't think that will be feasible. And didn't happen happiness. I was having this 111 topic and that topic is a please don't think that it's really it's really the main topic of our group here. Because we are talking about accessibility split in ICT. And if I can make a suggestion perhaps we can we can address to to share the to share the albufera sitting in Vienna is not working with Amazon. But he was a long term member of being WR WCW AI group. Perhaps you can ask him if you can contribute to to our group, because I think he's more he's nearer to the to the topics that we we are representing Absolutely,

Joly MacFie

as I say should be or could be possible.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. Okay, all right. So

Klaus Hoeckner

we can we can talk to one of the guys from from big Tex. I don't know if it's if it's wanted, but we could address for example the number from from from UK from Microsoft. Not the name drop down he's from Microsoft. He's he's representing Microsoft and in the UK think about it. Yeah. There's another guy from Google. We can also address if you want. Christopher Pat? No. It is the Google representative. Our European Union, Africa, Middle East, for accessibility.

Gunela Astbrink

Mm hmm. And if could you put the spelling of his name in the chat place? Okay. Yes. I'm having a call with Shadi. Next week. I think it is next week. Okay, path now, PA, T and OA. Right. And just to update on different things, so because I suppose we have to be careful. I mean, before we've shoddy it was like W three C, and, and, and now that is Amazon. It's a matter of balancing how he presents, that it's not just pushing the Amazon of thing as against, you know, Google or Microsoft. And, and it's, I know, he wouldn't be sensitive to that, but we just had to have to see how we go. And we might, we might have a panel. We'll, we can we can think about that. But yeah, so maybe if there's any other are Deborah Whoo, yeah. Okay.

Klaus Hoeckner

rule against strong, for example, but also a possible candidate, I think.

Gunela Astbrink

Mm hmm. Okay. All right. So if that's a great start, and then if there's any others, that you think of Klaus and and Joly and Lashkar welcome, Jack, that guy, can you hear me now?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I was facing some difficulties to muting. unmuting. So after a long struggle, I finally I will have to unmute. Thank you very much. I will just listen to you.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. All right. That's fine. So we are talking about possible keynote speakers for our members annual meeting. So any any ideas you have now? Or if you want to follow up? on WhatsApp, we have some ideas.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah, Carolyn Casey, also another is lucky and the Amrita I mean, not only that, like the lady who is working for our course content. Not one meter. So she also could, we could also think about her also, as she's doing some work for us. And she's getting some information knowledge that but that maybe not everyone, or have landed a bulldog. Yeah. And also explore more

Gunela Astbrink

people then. Yeah. Now how are rora?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah, I also know her

Klaus Hoeckner

to Jesus TED speaker. And yes, you're she's working mainly in the field of accessible inclusive tourism, but nevertheless, she's a well known person.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. Right. Okay. Well, that's a fantastic start. And we'll, we'll just have to see if we want to have one keynote speaker just to set the scene or have a panel to discuss accessibility and in you know, it has to be focused on on digital inclusion. Yeah,

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I think some time long keynote speech sometime really feel boring for online

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

sessions. So if we could make it more interactive, like question and answer maybe few people, three, four or five people and ask the questions and asked them to answer within one or two minutes. Very interactive panel could be another very indirect interesting for the people.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, yeah. I mean, this is Tony. With with all of us high profile names in a way so I've got so y'all it's got Daniella there as well to put in. Because we want to also feature the standing group what we are doing, and members, not necessarily asking, you know, having having a debate or discussion with these keynote speakers, but having having the ability to talk to us as a leadership team about their ideas. So we'll have to love to see. And how Hiroshi Cara Mora is sure. Yes, he's highly respected have been around for a long time. Okay.

Gunela Astbrink

Oh, wow. Okay. Irene Membury, Carrick, I don't know her

Klaus Hoeckner

is she's working for Africa. He's sitting in Washington, DC. And she works for an organization who is working with in Kenya, with plant organizations and wishes purposes. And she set up the first conference on ICT and accessibility in the African continent, and responsible for the implementation of the en 315 for nine in Kenya now.

Gunela Astbrink

Fantastic. I'm wondering, because our membership has quite a lot of Africans. And unfortunately, many of them are misunderstood what the accessibility standing group would do, they thought more of the accessibility in terms of affordability and rural and remote and so forth. But maybe what we could consider is, is having three or four speakers from different parts of the world. And I'm looking actually, I'm thinking this, this is this is really interesting, coming

Joly MacFie

up Ouroboros nests in here, which the AGM could be a good excuse to do a survey of our members.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, yeah. Before before, you mean, or Yes. Before, to what they would like what their ideas are. Sure. And I'm thinking that with this great collection of names, this should really be a webinar with a panel of of people from the various various regions of the world, who could then talk about accessibility, including including the private sector, like variable 500, and shoddy and Google and so forth, we will have to formulate that but I think that is that that has the makings of something really exciting.

Joly MacFie

So the way these things go is you have the panels and which is public and the live stream and then you have the actual AGM, which is sort of, you know, just for members only.

Joly MacFie

Yeah, I mean, it could be that there are two separate events altogether. I've you know, I just did one in Nigeria that was like this and it worked fine. They had the panel and then they said, Okay, you know, and we had a live stream at the same time as the panel, you know, they had and then that finished they said, Okay, now, this is the AGM for members. And I stopped the live stream.

Gunela Astbrink

How long did the session go?

Joly MacFie

Oh, it was after look, it was It was at least an hour. We have a lot here Nigeria Oh,

Gunela Astbrink

because I can imagine, you know, if we're going to have four or five speakers, you know, really, really high high profile. Good speakers, then that would take half an hour with with not not just

speaking, but you know, being questions discussion as Bashar mentioned. And then is that enough time for us to speak about our stand? There we

Joly MacFie

go. So, it was 90 minutes. Yeah, that's what your pre AGM webinar. Do you see what I mean?

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, okay. Got it. Yeah. Okay. Is Yeah. Okay. I recognize a few of those names. Yeah. Okay. Yeah, no, I think that's that's good. And that could that could attract people to participate, too. So that's, that's all good. class who is Rama Giro.

Klaus Hoeckner

Rob is sitting in London. He is the director of the helm Helm. Helm Henry school or the design school. And he is working in about leadership in ICT and inclusive design. He wrote a book about it. Yeah. Okay. I think he will be a good person to speak about speaking about inclusive design. Yeah. Excel of well, you know him I think he's look at Legos to Hipolito eyes. A politician is a high profile politician. He was the man who was dealing with the implementation of the United Nations Convention on rights of persons with Disabilities on the side of the United Nations Organization. Leads to former former ambassador from Ecuador, to the United Nations organization, it was the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Gunela Astbrink

Oh, goodness, okay. Right. Yes, yeah, we have, what 1012 names I'm still thinking that we we have the makings of, of a couple of webinars with, with view seeing a topic of, of what the private sector can offer in accessibility, you know, valuable 500, Amazon, Google, Microsoft, we have standards, people like your Rashi. And, and I rain from Kenya. There's, there's a host of really good people there. So

Joly MacFie

yeah, you know, there's that all, we could just think about being more internal to ISOC and be going for, like, some of the trustees, you know, it's not only should be here, there's psycho Rica, or whatever name is

Gunela Astbrink

Reka. And Charles,

Joly MacFie

and Charles mock, and, you know, to get them into the room to like, you know, just to talk about accessibility from an ISOC point of view. That's a possible topic.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. Okay. Yeah. It's, it's, if I may say, probably not as exciting, not

Joly MacFie

as exciting, but it's more

Gunela Astbrink

relevant. Yes. And so we come back to having all of us names to prepare for two webinars in 2023, which is part of what we going to do in our January brainstorming meeting. So yeah, I think that sounds good. I think we've got the makings of something really useful here. So we, we can we can work out well, we have to work out the date in February. We have to then get the survey. So that's something we could possibly do in January or we could start thinking about it now the main questions and so Joly has time to put it together but honestly I think it's better to do that in January when people are over Christmas and holidays and so forth

Klaus Hoeckner

shortly all these persons which I mentioned in my in the chat are in the way Rama XL Daniela Christine Caroline Deborah will be in by the end of by the end of March to get on one place in Israel by the end of March by the end of March we will be all together in Israel all of these offices will be there in person so which

Gunela Astbrink

which room you're talking about?

Klaus Hoeckner

We are talking about the rain we are talking about Luca Lego Rama XL pass and all interesting handle and Caroline Casey and now Aurora Presto pet no we will we will all

Joly MacFie

based around the same thing he went to class went to this year

Klaus Hoeckner

together to be together in person all the group here perhaps we can win-win When we can arrange webinar by the end of March then we don't have the effort the effort to bring them all together because we are all together in one in one on one in one place.

Gunela Astbrink

So would there be time that you could you think that you could gather them together

Klaus Hoeckner

all together because it's fixed now we're from the 23rd to the 27th of March we are together in Israel

Gunela Astbrink

fantastic

Joly MacFie

Could you could you get a run that an organizing session or whatever?

Klaus Hoeckner

I could organize this so if I know if I know before Yeah, and I could make I could make a call on to all to all of them because we are all in one in one group we all in

Joly MacFie

okay I'm gonna make this a separate item here that what is Israel

Klaus Hoeckner

20 Is the it's a separate meeting in Israel. It's not an official meeting. It's it's an individual meeting of all of us. We all in one way or another in a in a in a group. So WhatsApp ridicule. If you want me to do this, I can organize it by you by the states.

Gunela Astbrink

Well, I think that's a great offer. But that's a lot of people

Klaus Hoeckner

too. 27th of March

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, so some one one particular time one particular time during those few days all right.
Wondering wait yeah

Joly MacFie

do you think there would be some money involved in this presumably

Klaus Hoeckner

No, no, no. No,

Joly MacFie

I do know the Roman for snacks or whatever and

Klaus Hoeckner

we are there we are invited by Axios Israel okay. But I thought that I thought about if you're doing a webinar there yet and we're all together in one room and you can sit all together in one room and and during the webinar together.

Joly MacFie

And then you'll need you know, someone to do the ad and in the local thing.

Klaus Hoeckner

And because we can speak to excesses were like Sir, can can organize this, perhaps they want to have some galaxie? 500 We,

Joly MacFie

you know, we partner with them, obviously. So

Klaus Hoeckner

I can speak to mahalo next week, because I have a call with me, Colin Ronnie from accessing sir next week. And I can tell them if you if they want to do this. Yeah. Is is there? Is there money involved or not?

Joly MacFie

Yeah, yeah. And we will livestream it tell them that. Yep.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, yeah. Look, I think that's a fantastic offer. And it's just to, to bring those people together in one room. And also, I mean, they're going to be in one room. The rest of us are going to be LinkedIn. So it's a matter of I suppose, from your point of view, and and the local hosts to be able to make it effective with Vav, as Charlie says, and if that can be done. And is this like this is an informal organization called accessor Elizur.

Klaus Hoeckner

No X accessing Tor is not an informal organization, but Texas is organizing it. Under the umbrella of Texas, Israel, there's a group called calles, global accessibility and inclusive leaders. We are a group of 40 persons from all over the world, as we meet every every year, two times in Israel, ah, see, and it's in very informal group. But all the people that I mentioned, they are in this group, together with several others. And we meet for two or three days every year to speak about what we can, what we can do together and defeat the flexibility. This will be the opportunity to also present this group to the outside world. Why not? Yeah, but we have we have to? I have to speak with them. If the if they want to do this. Yeah. Because when they say no, we don't want to we want to don't want to speak with I don't know. For whatever reason, yeah. But I can I can, I can ask them within the next few days. Yeah. Because as I said before, we are together in a WhatsApp group.

Gunela Astbrink

Yep. That sounds good. Is there any, any website documentation about?

Klaus Hoeckner

Okay. Okay. Just informal. It's really an informal group. Yeah. Yeah. Okay.

Gunela Astbrink

All right. Yes, please go ahead. vasca. Anjali, you're happy with that? Yeah, that's guy.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Okay, no problem. Yeah.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. So and we'll work out the details closer to the time about, you know, how, how we're going to set it up? Who's going to speak? Is it going to be like, a very big, all of that? Can we we can work out later. Right. Yeah, the topic. Fantastic. And yeah, of course. All right. So so that's, that's a great webinar. Okay, so we've got that sorted. And I think to be less exciting for our annual meeting, to have the, the board members to this, especially those three board members shall be Sagarika.

And, and Charles, to, to speak. And, and then we'll just have a little little bit of listening to members, a little bit about talking where we're going, what we've done. And I think that that should be fine. So we need to work out a date for that. And the tricky thing is the time. So how much notice, Joly would you want for that, to just set it up?

Joly MacFie

You know, me? I need half an hour, you know that? Yeah,

Gunela Astbrink

no, no, I don't mean, but just just so that we can inform. Inform that.

Joly MacFie

I think, want to be looking at 21 days minimum.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. Okay. So we can come up with a date, probably in January, but we shouldn't leave everything till January. Because we need to, if we have decided we're going to include vias, three board members, we need to ensure that they're going to be available, basically. Okay.

Joly MacFie

I mean, presumably, we're going to have the same meeting in January at around this time. So that would be the time when we're going to have to make the decision.

Gunela Astbrink

Sure. Okay. So let's do that. All right. Excellent. And, and I think if we can then look at this survey, which can go after around the same time, we We notify members of the annual meeting. So that, yeah,

Joly MacFie

I think the survey, you know, if we get the survey and we ask them sort of pointed questions, you know, about, you know, what people have going on in people's local areas and what they do, it could then give us material where we can say, Would you mind speaking for five minutes at the ATM? And it'll give us some, you know, timings or some something like that. So, sure.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. So, Joly, could you just Draft Draft a few key questions? base, and then we can, we can have that and and fine tune it online and have it ready to go. early January, which, nothing, nothing too

fancy. Okay. All right. I think that's all we need there. So jolly, just just to for your recording that we did have apologies from Judith and Zachary. And thank you pardon.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

What about Sauron?

Gunela Astbrink

I don't know.

Joly MacFie

I was on our call last night, or earlier today. Probably running both ends of the candle like Exxon, Mobil's,

Gunela Astbrink

et cetera. Yeah, Bhaskar. We missed you at the the Subcommittee on the leadership training. But Swaran was there and this meeting is foreign isn't there? So that's how it goes. Okay. Julie, can you capture it's all LinkedIn anyway. But can you capture information on the chat? If we need that? With Yeah,

Joly MacFie

yeah. Okay, good. So you get saved?

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. Good, good. All right. Um, so. So we're now going to item seven, the January brainstorming meeting. And what we need to talk about there, obviously, is what we're going to be doing in 2023. And I've got a very clear, direct, not direction, but suggestion from Kyle, that all the six and standing groups will concentrate on one key activity. And, and, and I said, Well, you know, we, we still want to run webinars and and, and so forth. And he said, Well, you know, if it can be tied together in some way, that would be good. So that's just something to, to think about. And since we are in the middle of this disability leadership, training and content development that might be considered one of the key activities to discuss so just to keep that in mind, is there anything from Klaus and Bhaskar and Jolie that you think we should also include in that brainstorming meeting? About what we're going to do next year? I should also say that I think I mentioned it last meeting, but I need to be clear that this year, each SIG, and standing group was given, well, not given but allocated 30,000 US budget. And for a variety of reasons, we weren't able to make use of that. So we've we've made use of probably, by the time a content development of a course, and the webinars and a few other bits and pieces of business cards around I would say 20,000, roughly

very roughly speaking. So we've probably lost the the 10,000 Extra and the the the senior management in ISOC. felt that because there was a lot of money not spent not just by us, but probably more so by our versus each, each group next year will only be allocated 15,000. Us. So it's very unfortunate, but we'll have to make make the best of it. And that could be according to kind possibilities of add ons if we can demonstrate value, etc. So that's just to keep in mind as background from a brainstorming. And and so yeah, so are there any other key items for brainstorming the moment that you would like to include? Currently?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Well, I think there is we have done some reasonable level advocacy like in the APR IGF and also we already done some regional training for people with disabilities. Do you think next year we can, again, engage ourselves for regional level advocacy through different conference, seminar workshops, and including the capacity development, we will give the focus on that as we are developing a course. But remember, people with disabilities have no information about these types of issues. So we need to do run some advocacy or awareness creation events for promoting accessibility and digital inclusion.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, thank you. Are you talking about disability conferences or, or Internet governance conferences? Excuse me?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I think we should go in to interact X across disability conferences, highly ignoring the Internet governance issues and Internet governance also, not very disability focus. If you saw the etpa, this year's ACA, we I couldn't really experience mass on disabilities there.

Gunela Astbrink

Well, there was only the one session really, that I was involved with. Right. Okay. I think that's I think and

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

also also as Japan, Japan is one of the most inclusive country, we must collectively need to engage to make the Japan idea more impossible. And you need to start from tomorrow.

Gunela Astbrink

With the IGF? Yeah, yeah, yes. Okay. So it's a matter of how we make an impact.

Joly MacFie

I would have piped up here that my friends from, from the accessibility VR are based in Tokyo, and they just are launching an accessibility Kochia group, which has its first meeting on Sunday. Fantastic. So you know, I'm going to offer to them the same facility that we've been giving them, their other groups, you know, of like, backup streaming, we'll see if they, if they want it or not.

Gunela Astbrink

That's really interesting. Joly. And I would strongly encourage them when the time comes, which probably would be in in March, April to put in a workshop proposal about VR and disability, because that's something that hasn't been covered in an IGF. And that should get a go ahead and and have an impact. That would be excellent. Okay. Right. And probably we, we just, yeah, so that's obviously the IGF. And we probably, we can do that in January. Make a list of particular disability conferences, Internet conferences that we should target. And then then the issue is getting funding if we if we don't just do with my presentations, but when I leave that for January, anything else?

Joly MacFie

I would say that there's almost an action thing there, which is compile a list of list of events of of external events.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah. So could you I could, I could explore some of the vendor names. Make good.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. I suggest we have open a Google Doc and, and we can all add something to that. That would be excellent. Yeah,

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I'm not sure how much comfortable or barrier free for me for Google look, but I'll send you the list of

Joly MacFie

I've got a feeling that a form might be a better way of doing it. We you know, we're just is dropping stuff into a form and then we can filter it out. So, you know, then we can put it out to membership, you know, to if you have any, you know, a form that that has an output and public output so that people can see what's already in there and you can just drop stuff in

Gunela Astbrink

it to use jolly then to work through

Joly MacFie

during busy busy Christmas.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, that sounds good. All right, Charlie. Good eye. I think that's enough of that, because we're going to do the main, the main work in January, but it's just good to be prepared for that. So we're getting we've got less than 20 minutes to go. We'll just go back to the beginning. Item number one, which is the leadership course development. And and just to say we had an excellent meeting. Joly, suara Annemasse. myself with fastener bad a, unfortunately, no matter if there was a big confusion about the time, unfortunately.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

So I'm really confused. I couldn't really recognize the meeting time in a proper manner. So that's why I was unable to join.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. Yeah, Joey got a bit. There was just a little bit of a zoom issue. It wasn't there jelly

Joly MacFie

module, a batch car was on our invite list.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

No, no, I'm not renewing that list. So I was a bit surprised. When is the meeting? Why I'm not?

Joly MacFie

I don't you know, if you're on the committee, you should have been on the invite list. So maybe we should enumerate who's on that committee.

Gunela Astbrink

Well, I've always I recall that first guy volunteered to go on this subcommittee. Yes.

Joly MacFie

So when you did the mail out, I don't think I've mean, when I did the invites, I just copied everybody who you'd emailed. Cannella and

Gunela Astbrink

so Oh, okay. Okay, so,

Joly MacFie

I'm not taking the blame on that one.

Gunela Astbrink

No, no, you don't have to. Okay,

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

next, next would be

Gunela Astbrink

yes, that's fine. Just

Joly MacFie

there is a recording and I'll send a note to the, to the, to the leaders list.

Gunela Astbrink

That'd be good. And, and thanks, Joly for following up with an ammeter on on that list, that small list, and I had a whatsapp call with her and she apologized profusely. And, and she is working away, really, you know, officially starting this week, but she's been unofficially working for the last couple of weeks on this and, and she's got lots of good ideas, and she's very keen to have this webinar. So for the sake of class and vasca fasten I suggested, to have a webinar with the Internet community, disability community to discuss ideas, ask some key questions. And, and and that will in form her work, it will also promote the the idea of disability leadership and Internet governance. So so it has two important parts to it. And we are going to

Joly MacFie

have forever was one right? Oh, absolutely.

Gunela Astbrink

And and we are going to run that on the second second week of January. Something like the nine till the 10th of January, I think. So that's something that we will continue working on online. fastener has huge number of contacts. And, and I think we Yeah, I think that's going to be quite, quite valuable. So thank you, to Joly for connecting us with us, Anna and, and yeah, we are going

from there. So I'm not going to go into more detail because there is a recording and a transcript, I think. And then you'll get all the details but that's motoring along quite well. I think we'll just say she's going to have dry off to us. Well, certainly to the subcommittee by the 21st. of December. And I'll be talking to what's on WhatsApp every week just to check in and make sure everything's fine. Do you have any questions about that? For the time being? No. Okay, so the agenda item two is about our web landing page, which went into a little hole. Have you Joly had a chance to fill it out. Have you? Can you share that with us?

Joly MacFie

The speed is one, okay.

Joly MacFie

Okay, you wanted the leadership team in there? There we have the leadership team.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. Okay. Great. Yep. Oh, good. And then I took

Joly MacFie

out, I took out the word AMS on my dev, since I don't have any AMS function.

Gunela Astbrink

Nana now admin is fine. If you're happy with admin. I'm happy with that. That's, that's great. Right, and

Joly MacFie

and then added some group member activities. Fantastic. And I added, you know, classes webinar to the, to the wiki as well. So there it is.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. No, that's good. We just I didn't mean to send you. Okay. Thank you. Thank you very much. Plus, thank you. Okay, have a Happy Christmas. Yeah.

Klaus Hoeckner

Merry Christmas. Happy New Year. Yeah.

Gunela Astbrink

Thank you say bye. Bye. Thank you. Bye. Okay.

Joly MacFie

I also embedded his his video on the page.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, fantastic. The only thing to add is the the well there's actually two things the the other APR IGF? Workshop on disability leadership, and I need to send you a link if you haven't already got one. But I can, I can certainly send you a link to the the workshop outline that's on the APR IGF website. And the other thing is a link to the the DACA workshop. Okay. All right.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I have a smaller than, yeah, you're probably finishing.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. All right. That's fine. Yeah. So if you can just continue scrolling, starting towards the top, from accessibility to everyone? HTTPS slash slash these letters. Okay. So that's a preamble. And link to document when completed and approved. Yeah. Well, I

Joly MacFie

see Link to accessibility toolkit. I can fix that.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, it's a matter of when, when in the world, there's going to be finalized. You know, with the

Joly MacFie

history, I missed the CI misses that, okay, I'll look at that later in the day.

Gunela Astbrink

That's only that's only a couple of sentences. Really, you know, just to mention the special needs chapter. Disability and special needs and the and the, the sake. That's all. And I'd really, I'm really keen to send that off to the comms team. So we can have something set up before the end of the year because that just shows by the end of the year, we actually have a landing page through ISOC. So yeah, okay. All right. So can you you can do that in the next couple. Yeah. Great. Okay. So that's an action on you. Alright, so we're the accessibility framework revision. There's not much to say from the internal working group that voice by slight additions. I'm aid. They didn't say one way or another. And, and it seems like they probably want to hang on now until the board makes a decision on Shabbos proposed on accessibility,

Joly MacFie

what is gender? I can run excessively framework?

Gunela Astbrink

Yes. Okay. All right. That's okay. So it should be is it's working together with a few other board

Joly MacFie

was a big meeting. Do we know what happened at that meeting?

Gunela Astbrink

I have heard that. It it got it was discussed in in a fair bit of detail, but they want they want the board wants revisions. And further work done. And then to take it to a vote in a in a forthcoming meeting, either online or not. So there's there's a few I gather. sticking points. And and then yeah, I think it's pending Board approval is fine. Well, no, the accessibility framework is not pending Board approval. It's Chavez. shabbiest proposal on accessibility. That's, that's pending Board approval

Joly MacFie

is pending on Shabir right on.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, yeah. Yeah. So it's, it's, it's interlinked. And I think that's all we can do for now. Yeah, so we're, we're waiting on that. Okay, so number four is webinars and, and class has left us but I look forward to listening to the recording or, or reading it. So I think that's made an impact. And then there's one in Fiji that Swan would speak to, but that's probably going to now happen in January, and then Lashkar I think you are going to send some further details to Joly about the Bangladesh webinar.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Okay, I'm almost in the final stage. You know, we are trying to get a very high profile people like the senior secretary of the ICT division, he Barbara Lee confirm and Dizzy Ministry of Social Welfare. And also we are We there is one from Internet Society Bangladesh chapter and another we are trying to get the from UNDP. So I can send details by my Tuesday winning, hopefully, by Tuesday evening, my all the guests will be confirmed. So on 21st of December, Bangla this time 930 to 1030 is a one hour webinar, maybe we need more 10 to 15 minutes, then, based on depends on the guest we were able to confirm we have

Joly MacFie

to decide how much time we're going to use because I have to poke recaps, you know, appropriately so.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

So that that I could ensure you by Tuesday winning.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay. At least Yeah, I'm wondering also, we haven't we haven't used sign language interpretation in the in the recent.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

One thing I can do if you allow I'm not sure it will, how much accepted by international area that I can use one selling is interpreted from another side. I can pay for that. But I'm not really sure it will serve the purpose for international level but regularly using

Gunela Astbrink

I think that's good because it's abunda dash focused webinar. So to have a Bangladeshi interpreter would make total sense to me. And and that should not be paid out of your budget first got that. It's a bit complicated, I think for ISOC but they should be paying for that.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

should pay. But it is not easy. So it is not much. It is maybe 50 \$60.

Joly MacFie

I think I think this is a good challenge to throw at ISOC. I agree to like to pay someone, even if it's paying first car, who then pays the person.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

If you if you see this complicated, I can manage it by myself.

Gunela Astbrink

Nice Guy, thank you, but you shouldn't have to because this is we have a budget and why should you so

Joly MacFie

what? You know, if need be, you know, we have a TransferWise account for the accessibility. So. So, you know, we could always, you know, if ISOC gets into a problem, then we can say, Okay, well, if you can just pay the Internet Society in New York, then we'll, we'll take care of it, you know? Yeah. Yeah. So that's always an option. But But no, let's, let's let's test them on this. I think it's a good thing. It's a good stress test, to see if we can do it. So let's have a go.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

But one thing you need to if we cannot decide it by the by before the workshop, then it will be difficult for me to pay the salaries interpreter because I need to take pass the note from government side to pay. So that's why

Joly MacFie

I'd say you know, let's, let's proceed, and then if we run into a roadblock, then we say okay, we try. So I would say put it down. Okay, okay, that's,

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

that's good. Yeah, yeah. I think the time is comfortable for you in the

Joly MacFie

year. I've already I've already booked the slot that you gave me, you know, so I was

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

gonna like the keynote speaker. She'll give a global perspective. I'll give a very small presentation on Bangladesh, what they're doing, then two, three panelists, then some open discussion, then our guest? Guest.

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, so how long do you want me to speak for?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

What do you think I can make this okay for you? Yeah, that's fine. Yeah, then then it's a comfortable for us. Okay. And then the moderation will be by an very famous he's very famous in Bangladesh. He's an advisor for ATI, and also transports member of the digital Bangladesh initiative, which is formed by the Prime Minister, Mr. Amit Chaudhary. He's very famous. So he will moderate the session.

Gunela Astbrink

Excellent. Excellent. That sounds sounds really good. Yes, yes. This,

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

this will be very high profile. Or even I'm expecting like that. Let's see. I'm trying my level best.

Gunela Astbrink

I know, you I know. So So then it's of course, promoting it to get as many, many people to come as perfect as possible. And yes, because it probably the the main audience will be people in Bangladesh, but there could very likely be people from anywhere. With widely isn't that

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I already have a meeting with the GTI city. They have 50, around 40 to 50 Country representatives. So some of them will join in this webinar. And they already after getting our promotional poster and link, they will circulate it within there.

Gunela Astbrink

That sounds good. That sounds really good. All right. Well, that's exciting. So we're, we looked like everything is just about ready. And and you will provide Joly with a paragraph or just a description to once you.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yes. Total outline and we share final outline with Julie. By 13th of December.

Joly MacFie

Yeah. So I'm putting it in my calendar that I'm gonna hear from you on that day.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah. Okay. Sounds good. That sounds really good. Okay. All right. Well, we, you know, we managed to get a few webinars in just before the end of the year, which is very encouraging. The next agenda item is actually for Swaran and Zachary about annual reporting. So there will be a request for an action item for vasanas Akari. Who at hopefully Sarkar is going to be well. To to work on. It doesn't have to be a formal annual report. It's more listing a activities against the particular objectives we had. And but that that's the key role

Joly MacFie

deadline.

Gunela Astbrink

Deadline, I think I think it can be early, early January, let's make it. Let's make it the the ninth of January. I haven't heard exactly from Kyle, about that. But I think we need to do that to show that this is working. Currently, both. Okay. All right. And I think we've just have two items, for any other business. One of them was something that came up. As an aside, before the meeting we had with a subcommittee on leadership training, and Joly and I were talking about a SIG SG liaise. And, and I've, I've emailed Kyle about that, and I'm waiting to get a response.

Joly MacFie

Specifically, I, you know, it's a thing where there is there's a chapter leaders, you know, the chapter leaders have chapter representatives, Lis, and they also have a chapter leaders group in Connect, and the people who lead the six and standing groups have nothing, they have no way of talking to each other. So I'm, so we're suggesting a two prong approach and one is, you know, a call, and two is that there's the community be established on Connect.

Gunela Astbrink

Yeah, I mentioned both of us to Kyle. So we'll, we'll see what he can come up with for for next year. Okay, so Vash. Guy, you you had an agenda item?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I think that might have been that it was Taiwan, nothing else?

Gunela Astbrink

No. Okay, so that's fine, then. All right. All good. And then we need to set a time for the next meeting in January. And so this is a brainstorming meeting, were really keen to have everyone there. And unfortunately, unfortunately, for you, Vaska it's, it's, it's a bad time for you. It's a 5am one for you. It would be 23 2300 UTC and we're looking at if it's a month away, it would be the fifth of January, which for some of us might still

Gunela Astbrink

January, which would be straight after the webinar for the for the training training course. So what are your thoughts on either of those two days?

Joly MacFie

What was your I'm sorry, it was drowned out. What did you swallow? What was the second option?

Gunela Astbrink

The 12th of January?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

I think 12 of January is better because you know, in the early New Year many people may be in the league for I don't know

Gunela Astbrink

exactly. Let's do it. Let's do it. 12 January 2300. Can you cope Lashkar were 5am

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Just give me a call in the morning if I am not there. All right, that's level waste.

Gunela Astbrink

That's very good. Okay, well, that's that's an important meeting for brainstorming. So hopefully we can have a full a full complement of people and that should suit Judith as well since she is a night owl and so forth. So we should be fine. All right, well, I think that is the end. So there's a lot there to to digest. We have action items and ideas and so forth, but we just need to keep going in between in between now and the next meeting and and holiday time, but we we should be fine as long as we keep focused. So thank you very much. Thank you and I wish I wish you both holidays. Good holidays if you are taking any holidays.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah, tomorrow, tomorrow and after tomorrow is close. Yeah, so, yes.

Joly MacFie

It's mid summer where you are right. Canola?

Gunela Astbrink

Yes. Yes. We finally got summer it's been a it's been a cool spring. So we had a bit of thunder and lightning just before and a downpour and, and it's it's proper summer weather for us. Yes, yes. The Sicard is doing their thing in the bushes, and yet, it's good.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Today I have conducted a training is called visibility and digital inclusion training for Unilever. You know, you need Unilever.

Yes, yes, yes.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

So for the senior management of the Unilever. And that was a two hour session. One of the youth with disabilities was with me. Very exciting.

Gunela Astbrink

Yes, absolutely. So this is Unilever. Bangladesh. Yes. Fantastic. That's really good. So what did they commit to doing anything? Or it was mainly a listening awareness session?

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

No, no, no, they're trying to recruit some YouTube disabilities in as a staff. That's why they're taking the initiative to sensitize their staff first, and then cetera.

Gunela Astbrink

Excellent. That's perfect. That's so good to hear. And I think this is another example of, of what corporations are doing that, that are including people with disability in their workforce. And, and it's so very difficult for the Internet Society to do this. Whereas other corporations are so we need to keep this in mind when we are talking to ISOC. And I can and nervous that it's not unusual these days. It's more it's happening more and more so. Yeah, good point. Okay, all right. I think we should finish.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah, I think we should finish. Thank you, Lily. Thank you, Julie. Thank you when Allah

Gunela Astbrink

Thank you very much Lashkar and thank you.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

My apology. I am really bit slow because I'm under pressure as it is year ending. So I am under pressure of what?

Gunela Astbrink

Okay, well, we'll, we'll, we'll finish. We'll finish the year. Well, and then we've got renewed energy next year to do lots more.

Vashkar Bhattacharjee

Yeah, absolutely.

Gunela Astbrink

See, it. Sounds good.