

Activity Recap Montevideo, Uruguay

Board of Directors Meeting, December 2022



The LACNIC Board of Directors met in person in Montevideo, Uruguay, from 5 to 7 December 2022, totaling more than 25 hours of meetings during which they addressed various issues relevant to the management of LACNIC.



Budget Execution Review

The December face-to-face Board meeting is the opportunity to review an estimate of how we will finish the year in terms of budget execution and find out the reasons for any deviations in budget items in order to understand the challenges faced during the year.

Review of Actions for Members and for the Community

The Staff also presents to the Board a summary of all the actions implemented during the year, beginning with those directly designed for our members, including statistics related to LACNIC's registration services, the growth of our membership base, election processes —an essential part of institutional life—and, every two years, the results of the Member satisfaction survey, a key input to understand how members rate various aspects of the service as well as their overall level of satisfaction. Policy Implementation.

Likewise, this summary details how participants rated the LACNIC 37 and LACNIC 38 events, their challenges, and the lessons that were learned. Our training efforts have evolved in line with the LACNIC Campus and the offering of courses and specializations we have introduced in these eight years of existence of this service that not only benefits our members but also the community in general.

No action is considered complete unless we can communicate it effectively, which is why having an effective communication strategy is essential. To achieve this, during this meeting we presented to the Board of Directors our efforts for improving Strategic Communication and the progress we have identified in various metrics (see chart), as well as reactions and interactions on social media, event video views, and webinar participation.

Ratification of Policies

Under the Policy Development Process, the Board of Directors is the last instance in policy ratification. Whenever a policy proposal reaches consensus at the forum, it is sent to the Board for its eventual ratification. This time, the Board reviewed two policies that had reached consensus, one of which they ratified. For the other policy, we prepared a summary of our analysis and posted it to the Policy mailing list.

Review and Approval of the Plan for 2023

The December meeting is when the Board hears the operational plans for the following year. This December, the members of the Board were presented with the goals and objectives for 2023, along with their success indicators. All these actions require their corresponding financial effort, so the Board of Directors reviewed the expenditures planned for 2023 to ensure the proper and responsible use of LACNIC resources for the benefit of our members and community.

The Staff also presented to the Board of Directors the criteria based on which this budget was put together. These criteria include an estimation of the number of new members, which percentage will be managed through the NIRs and which will be under LACNIC's direct management, the number of incoming and outgoing transfers along with the amount of space involved, the number of mergers and acquisitions among the region's ISPs, global financial variables such as inflation in the United States, etc. The purpose of this information is to determine whether the Board of Directors considers the risk estimate used in the construction of the budget to be acceptable.

This year, we reserved some time to analyze the difficulties that certain areas that are part of our region may have in paying their membership fees. Historically, various natural disasters, political crises, and some other events have been assessed by the Board, and in some of those situations we have established a moratorium on payments in accordance with the Policy Manual. On this occasion, we analyzed some other scenarios, seeking to reduce the revocation of resources due to non-payment resulting from difficulties unrelated to a member's operation.



Risks and Challenges

As part of the risk management framework that LACNIC has been using for several years now, the Board of Directors receives a report of the actions implemented to eliminate, reduce or transfer the risks we identify in our operation. The face-to-face meeting in December is the right time to determine whether the treatments we are applying to the different risks are being effective, as well as to receive suggestions on situations that we should explore and analyze and then report in future meetings with the Board.

End of the Year Celebration with the Staff

During this meeting, we also took advantage of the visit of the Board and the members of our Staff who work remotely and organized a small end of the year celebration, where, in addition to sharing a moment with the entire Staff and Board, we also presented loyalty awards to our Staff members who completed 5, 10, 15, and 20 years working at LACNIC with commitment and dedication.





More Information

Further details of LACNIC Board meetings are available in the Transparency section of our main website https://www.lacnic.net/1232/1/lacnic/asistencia-directorio, where you will also find Board meeting attendance records as well as the minutes of each meeting.

