

# Common Characteristics - Mechanisms A, B, and C

**\*Mechanism A:** An internal department dedicated to grant solicitation, implementation and evaluation is created within the ICANN Org.

**Mechanism B:** ICANN Internal Granting Department collaborates with an existing non-profit. They CCWG may want to further consider the precise division of labor between ICANN and the External Entity.

**Mechanism C:** A new charitable structure is created separate from ICANN which would be responsible for solicitation and evaluation of proposals, and disbursement process.

**\*\*No grants** to individuals, no grants to activities in the ICANN Org budget, no grants for political or lobbying activities; conflict of interest safeguards established; protections against self-dealing and measures to ensure that decisions are taken without conflict of interest; grants must be made for lawful purposes.

Characteristics	Mechanism A*	Mechanism B*	Mechanism C*
ICANN maintains legal and fiduciary oversight responsibility.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓
ICANN Org conducts legal and fiduciary oversight activities.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓
Safeguards are in place to ensure legal and fiduciary responsibilities are met.**	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓
ICANN Org conducts due diligence to oversee the disbursement of assets.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓ Oversees or performs	TRUE ✓
ICANN's mission is observed at all points in the process.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓
Mechanism operates apart from ICANN's budget and is funded from the auction proceeds.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓
The Board may distribute funds to ICANN Org distinct from the granting process should legal and fiduciary responsibilities dictate such a distribution.	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓	TRUE ✓ Prior to annual distribution to Foundation