

For Discussion: CPE Provider & Guidelines

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Antecedents

- ⦿ ALAC communication (2013) querying appointment of EIU and offering At Large participants in CPE evaluation.
ICANN Board rejected both requests at the time.
- ⦿ Very few Community applications approved in the previous round.
Why ?
- ⦿ General and unwelcome tendency in ICANN unsympathetic to not for profit TLDs.
See ISOC/PIR/'Ethos' and the current PDP/WT5 etc.

Preconditions

- ⦿ INFORMATION AND OUTREACH:
How to ensure that relevant Communities are aware of opportunities?
- ⦿ TRANSPARENCY AND PREDICTABILITY:
Also predictability for the Community, including concerned ALS
Not only for the Applicants
- ⦿ SUPPORT:
Financial and technical assistance for new entrants.
Throughout application and implementation cycles.

Independence and Accountability

- ⦿ No conflicts of interest; Pro Bono evaluators;
- ⦿ Matching LOCAL cultural and linguistic knowledge with each CPE application.
- ⦿ Full association of At Large and ALS with the process.

A way forward and the role of ICANN

- ⦿ ICANN in full and permanent charge of prioritization appointments and procedures
Transparent, with oversight of At Large Community.
- ⦿ Evaluators appointed on their merits; as required. NO single external entity.
- ⦿ Qualifications and local knowledge of evaluators critical for success.
- ⦿ Abandon 'digital scoring'.