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# **FY22 COMMUNITY REQUEST FORM**

The deadline for FY22 Budget consideration is **29 January 2021.** All questions and completed forms should be sent to **planning@icann.org**.

Priority #2

# REQUEST INFORMATION

#### **Title of Proposed Activity**

Registries Stakeholder Group requests travel support for one (1) RySG member appointed to the serve on the Customer Standing Committee (CSC) to attend the first and third yearly ICANN meetings as is required of the RySG by the ICANN Bylaws.

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# REQUEST DESCRIPTION

#### 1. Activity: Please describe your proposed activity in detail

The RySG respectfully requests ICANN support travel funding for one (1) of the two RySG participants appointed to serve on the CSC for the first and third annual ICANN meetings. The RySG Executive Committee will continue to closely monitor any travel requests submitted from the requestors to demonstrate their need, a statement of interest, how their participation is beneficial to the RySG and community, a commitment to actively participate in the CSC, as well as taking an active role in CSC related activities throughout the year.

The ICANN Bylaws Section 17.1 required the establishment of the CSC to monitor PTI's performance under the IANA Function Contract and IANA Naming Function SOW. Section 17.2 of the ICANN Bylaws require the CSC to include two (2) representatives from the RySG. Since the establishment of the CSC it has become their practice to meet face to face at the first and third ICANN meetings each year. At the time the RySG appointed its members to the CSC it was expected that the CSC would not be meeting regularly at ICANN meetings, and due to a restriction placed on travel support for CSC members by the CWG IANA Transition the RySG has regularly allotted one of its travel support slots to a member of the CSC. We understand that the Final Report of the Review of the CSC Charter recommended that travel support be made available to members of the CSC, and as such we are requesting dedicated travel support for one of our two CSC members to attend ICANN meetings to fulfill their CSC obligations.



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Active participation in the CSC by the required RySG CSC Representatives is significant given the importance of the CSC to ICANN's overall mission as well as the RySG's vested interest in the continued secure and stable operation of the IANA Functions.

The travel support provided to the RySG for members to participate in the three (3) ICANN meetings each year has clearly demonstrated the dedication of the RySG to ICANN's mission and participation in ever expanding critical activities within the RySG, GNSO and ICANN community. Funding for one (1) of the two required RySG Representatives would allow the RySG to lend its membership's expertise to the critical CSC functions.

Given the importance of the role and the requirement for the RySG to fill two seats, having dedicated travel funding for at least one representative has proven to improve the ability of representatives to serve more consistently and make the roles more attractive to new representatives. Consistent representation serves the CSC, the RySG and the ICANN Community as a whole.

In summary, the RySG respectfully submits a request for unrestricted support of one (1) travel slot for each of the first and third yearly ICANN meetings for one (1) of the RySG appointed Representatives to participate in the CSC as required by the ICANN Bylaws.

#### 2. Type of Activity: e.g. Outreach - Education/training - Travel support - Research/Study - Meetings - Other

Full travel support (airfare, hotel and per diem) for unrestricted travel for one (1) slot as outlined above to attend the first and third yearly ICANN meetings.

### 3. Proposed Timeline/Schedule: e.g. one time activity, recurring activity

This would be a recurring activity.

# **REQUEST OBJECTIVES**

## 1. Strategic Alignment. Which area of ICANN's Strategic Plan does this request support?

Strategic Objective: Improve the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance.

Strategic Goal: Strengthen ICANN's bottom-up multistakeholder decision-making process and ensure that work gets done and policies are developed in an effective and timely manner.

Strategic Goal: Support and grow active, informed, and effective stakeholder participation.

Strategic Goal: Sustain and improve openness, inclusivity, accountability, and transparency.

Strategic Objective: Evolve the unique identifier systems in coordination and collaboration with relevant parties to continue to serve the needs of the global Internet user base.

Strategic Goal: Continue to deliver and enhance the IANA functions with operational excellence.

# 2. Demographics. What audience(s), in which geographies, does your request target?

Based on the individuals who may benefit from this opportunity, this request could potentially benefit any one of the five principal geographic regions. In addition to requirements that any individuals granted travel support



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funding be active in RySG activities, the RySG will continue to adhere to the RySG's Supported Traveler Guidelines.

#### 3. Deliverables. What are the desired outcomes of your proposed activity?

- 1. Fulfillment of the ICANN Bylaw requirement that the RySG appoint two representatives to the CSC.
- 2. Increased ability for RySG members of different geographic regions to actively participate in RySG activities, and RySG Representatives.
- 3. More diversity in terms of types of businesses participating in, and lending their expertise, to ICANN and RySG activities (i.e., small registry, geographic TLDs, community TLDs, etc.).

#### 4. Metrics. What measurements will you use to determine whether your activity achieves its desired outcomes?

- 1. Fulfill the Bylaw requirement that the RySG appoint two representatives to participate in the CSC.
- 2. Active RySG participation in the CSC.

To ensure that the RySG requirements for receiving travel support are met and to measure the metrics above, the RySG Executive Committee will conduct a follow-on assessment/review of those funded travelers.

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Staff Support Needed (not including subject matter expertise):

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None

None

# **Language Services Support:**

None



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Other:
None
Travel Support:
As outlined above, request for funding (airfare, hotel and per diem) for one (1) participant for the first and third yearly ICANN meetings to be used in accordance with the RySG Supported Traveler Guidelines
Potential/planned Sponsorship Contribution:
None known at this time.