Applicant Information

First Name: Sam

Last Name: Lanfranco

Gender: Male

Country of Residence: Canada

Stakeholder Group/Constituency Affiliation: NCSG

Questions

1. **Current employer and position. Please describe the type of work you perform:**
   (Semi-Retired University Professor - all work pro bono)
   - President: *Internet Integrity Task Force (IITF) New NGO with mission of improving Integrity of Internet Ecosystem stakeholder Policy, Practice, and Behavior*
   - Director/Board Member: *Society for the Advancement of Science in Africa. Strategic planning and implementation*
   - Policy Advisor: *Ambedkar Centre for Justice and Peace (Mumbai). Dalit/Tribal Human Rights.*

2. **Education:**
   - PhD, Economics, University of California at Berkeley
   - Half Century of university teaching and research

3. **Please identify any GNSO Working Groups and/or chartered teams in which you are participating:**
   - Served on various WGs and NPOC/NCSG positions from 2014 to 2019
   - Returned to ICANN in 2022 after hiatus due to health and work demands
   - Currently on SSC and returning to greater ICANN engagement

4. **Please describe any past involvement in the ICANN Fellowship Program, if applicable.**
   - No involvement other that a presentation or two to Fellows at ICANN meetings

5. **Please assess and explain how your knowledge, experience and expertise address the criteria listed below. Leave the response blank if not applicable to you.**
   - **Active participant in GNSO structures and policy development processes for at least two years with a track record of engagement. Experience engaging in Cross-Community Working Groups is also desirable.**
     - Served on WGs and appointed/elected positions 2014-2019
   - **Track record of being an active contributor during ICANN public meetings.**

- o Transcripts will show I was active at numerous ICANN public and online meetings
- **Enough experience with specific sector(s) of the Internet ecosystem including, but not limited to, technical Internet issues; government, academia, commercial or non-commercial issues; I* entities; underserved and/or under-represented communities and/or Internet related development, or other fellowship programs, to be able to evaluate candidates' answers in the ICANN context.**
    - o Long history of engagement with governance, academia, non-commercial issues: building North American and Latin American computer labs and telecentres in the 1980s; 25 years of teaching Internet and the Economy courses; supervision of graduate work on Internet ecosystem topics; engagement with ISOC & IGF; research and publications on digital rights and obligations; work with digital initiatives in Africa.

6. **Please assess and explain how your knowledge, experience & personality meet the desired attributes listed below. Leave the response blank if not applicable to you.**
   - **Member of a GNSO Stakeholder Group and/or Constituency.**
       - o Almost a decade of engagement with ICANN from a NCSG/NPOC perspective
   - **Willingness and ability to devote the necessary time to this role.**
       - o I feel strongly about nurturing new talent within ICANN's multistakeholder community, and have long been a supporter of fellowships and mentorships to promote new talent.
       - o As a professor emeritus I have control of my time, and while busy, can readily make the time for the tasks of the Fellowship Selection Committee.

7. **Please explain your interest in serving as a Selection Committee Member and what you will bring to the Fellowship Program if selected.**
    - o My interest in serving on the Selection Committee is to help select candidates that are: (a) a potential future asset to ICANN; (b) engage in Internet ecosystem issues beyond ICANN; and (c) build relevant career capital through their Fellowship participation.