Nuno Manuel Garcia dos Santos - Candidate Statement Of Interest

SECTION A. Identification and Contact Information

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Poll Heading: 4a. Country/countries of citizenship

Portugal

Poll Heading: 4b. Country/countries of residence

Portugal

SECTION B. Professional and Educational Background

Poll Heading: 1. Provide details of your current job, role, title, employer and affiliations

Currently I am an Assistant Professor at the Lusophone University of Humanities and Technologies (ULHT, Lisbon, Portugal, www.ulusofona.pt) and an Invited Assistant Professor at the University of Beira Interior (UBI, Covilhã, Portugal, www.ubi.pt).

I am also a Researcher at the Telecommunications Institute (IT, Covilhã, Portugal, www.it.ubi.pt) at UBI. I am currently coordinator of a research laboratory within the Telecommunications Institute in UBI.

Finally, I am also researcher in several projects with private companies such as Criavision Lda (Coimbra, Portugal).

Poll Heading: 2. Describe your educational and professional history. Provide all information that you believe may be relevant to being an effective member of the ICANN Board

Since 2008, I hold a PhD title in Computer Science and Engineering.

In 2004, I finished my Licenciatura degree (5 year BSc) from the University of Beira Interior (Covilhã, Portugal), having won the best student award.

Previously, I worked at privately owned companies (Tropical Software, JOALPE S.A. and others), and from 1988-1996 I was a teacher at a High School (Escola Secundária Frei Heitor Pinto, Covilhã, Portugal).

While working towards my PhD (2004-2008), I worked as a researcher in Siemens S.A. (www.siemens.pt) and at Nokia Siemens Networks S.A. (www.nsn.com), both at Alfragide, Amadora, Portugal. At NSN, I was team leader for a research group in the networking area.

From 2008-2010, I worked as the Head of Research for PLUX Lda (Covilhã and Lisbon, Portugal, www.plux.info), a start-up in the bio-signals and bio-sensors.

Poll Heading: 3. Describe any current and past volunteer community positions, roles and accomplishments. We are particularly interested in similar Board directorship and committee experience

It is very hard to recall similar Board directorship and committee experience to the one I'm applying at ICANN.

Yet, I have a broad experience of volunteer in boards of directors and committees, such as:

- Technical and Commercial Director of Radio Clube da Covilhã C.R.L. (a local radio station) for a number of years;
- President of the Direction, President of the Fiscal Council, member on several terms of several Parents and teachers associations, local, regional and national;
- Senator at the Senate of the University of Beira Interior (UBI);
- President, Vice-President, Secretary on several terms of my local Lions Club (Lions Clube da Covilhã, member since 2002);
- active member of several associations, e.g., member of the General Council of the Escola Secundária Frei Heitor Pinto (Covilhã, Portugal). The General Council is the main strategic and advisory board of a school in the current Portuguese school system.

I am the main author of several international and european patents, and of several scientific papers, having won the Best Paper Award at the ICOIN 2008 conference in Busan, Korea.

Poll Heading: 4. List any relevant personal or professional web pages

http://www.ngarcia.net

SECTION C. Internet Involvement and Interest in ICANN

Poll Heading: 1. Describe how you meet the criteria for the At-Large selected ICANN Board Director position

Having read the criteria for admission for the seat in the At-Large Board of Directors, I do acknowledge that I comply with the announced requisites.

In detail, I am recognized by my pears (and I have given evidence more than once) that I have the qualities required to such a position, in particular, those qualities stated as integrity, objectivity, intelligence, having the reputation for sound judgement and capable of the comprehension of different points of view, and enjoying the process of group decision making.

I believe I also have the sufficient knowledge of ICANN's mission, and understand the technical details of the areas it manages.

I am also very sensitive to why and how these decisions influence ordinary users' lives and businesses as I have personally advised and accompanied the arrival of individual and corporate users to the Internet reality.

I am willing to volunteer and have the time to commit to the At-Large Director position.

Poll Heading: 2. Describe current and past involvement in, contributions to, and leadership roles in activities and organizations involved in the development and operation of the Internet, its naming and addressing infrastructure and/or its security and stability

I am an active member of several groups discussing Future Internet initiatives, and I am currently member of European research teams where these issues are discussed.

I was the first Internet advisor for the Portuguese Association of Local Radio-stations (APR, www.apradiodifusao.pt), and also to several other regional and national organizations. My role consisted mostly in advising strategies and requirements for Internet solutions.

For APR I was the proponent and architect of the site www.radios.pt, that joins the online emissions of over 200 portuguese radio-stations.

Poll Heading: 3. Provide a statement about what you would contribute in the At-Large selected ICANN Board Director position to ICANN and its mission

My contribution stems from my personal education and my beliefs: although I am a scientist in the networking and Internet areas, I have strong beliefs on issues such as human rights, multicultural consensual solutions and a comprehensive view of the different stake-holders in the Internet community.

ICANN's mission is extremely important in the development of an Internet that needs to consider all the issues brought forth by all the interested stake-holders, regardless of their

ability to strongly voice their own needs and points of view.

Poll Heading: 4. Provide a statement about what you would contribute in the At-Large selected ICANN Board Director position to the At-Large Community

My contribution stems from my personal education and my beliefs: although I am a scientist in the networking and Internet areas, I have strong beliefs on issues such as human rights, multicultural consensual solutions and a comprehensive view of the different stake-holders in the Internet community.

I stand as an independent free-thinking individual, whose decisions are based in the humanist background of contemporary european culture, but also in the best tradition of the portuguese approach to other cultures, in the sense of the discovery and respect of values and cultures.

Poll Heading: 5. Please describe specifically how and why you will be able to advance, at the ICANN Board, the interests of the At-Large Community and the broader global community of Internet end-users

I will bring to the ICANN Board the concerns, hopes and needs of real Internet users.

Poll Heading: 6. Is there any additional information you would like to submit that would be helpful to the BCEC in making its decision? If so, please summarize it here

(nothing to add)