

Expression of Interest - GNSO Nominated Mentor for the ICANN Fellowship Program

Overview:

This call seeks members of the GNSO community interested in serving as a volunteer mentor for the ICANN Fellowship Program.

Please complete, save and submit this form by email to gnso-secs@icann.org.
The deadline is 12 January 2023 at 23:59 UTC.

How to complete your application:

1. First, read the Acknowledgement and Consent text below. Check the appropriate box and enter the date on page 2.
2. Beginning on page 3, this application includes fields for you to fill in personal details, as well as 7 additional questions.
3. You need to fill in all sections of the form. If a given criteria (e.g. expertise) does not apply to you, leave the field empty.
4. Once you have completed the form, save it on your computer/tablet/smartphone.
5. Create a new email message addressed to gnso-secs@icann.org, attach the form which you previously saved and submit the application.

You must submit your application by **12 January 2023 at 23:59 UTC**.

Fellowship Program Mentor - GNSO Expression of Interest Acknowledgment and Consent Form

Please read this Acknowledgement and Consent carefully as it contains important details about how your personal information is collected, processed, and published when you submit your application for the Fellowship Program Mentor Position ("Position").

By completing the Fellowship Program Application Form ("Application Form"), you authorize and consent to Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers ("ICANN", "we", "us", "our") collecting and processing your personal information in accordance with this Consent Form. ICANN is the data controller of your personal information when you submit the Application Form and is responsible for complying with applicable data protection laws.

What We Collect From You

When submitting the Application Form, you understand that you may provide personal information, including your name, contact information, qualifications and professional background, and any other information you voluntarily provide.

You understand provision of personal information with your application is entirely voluntary. You determine the extent to which you provide information as part of your application. However, if you decide not to provide information, you understand that it may affect your candidacy.

It is your responsibility to obtain consent from any individual for whom you provide his or her personal information of as a part of your application.

What We Collect From Other Sources

We may collect information from other sources, including other individuals you identify. We may also collect information from publicly available sources including your personal web pages.

Why We Collect

We only process your personal information when we have a legal basis to do so under applicable law. With your consent, we process the personal information you provide in order to assess your qualifications and candidacy for the Fellowship Program Mentor Position.

Disclosures and Publication of Your Personal Information

Your completed application and all supporting documentation will be published on the GNSO Standing Selection Committee community wiki page at <https://community.icann.org/display/GSSC> for transparency purposes. Please be cognizant of your answers as these will be published.

International Transfers

Based on your consent and for the purposes set forth above, the personal information that you provide will be processed in the United States. ICANN employs adequate safeguards to protect your personal information; however, the United States may not provide you the same high level of protection of your personal information as the laws applicable in your country of residence.

Your Rights and Choices

You freely confirm your consent to all of the above. You understand that you may withdraw your consent to future processing at any time or for any reason by emailing privacy@icann.org. If you withdraw your consent, ICANN will stop processing and delete your information without undue delay, unless there are other legal grounds for processing. Your revocation, however, will not affect any personal information that we have already processed and transferred with your consent.

Subject to applicable law, you are entitled to certain rights with respect to your personal information. You can request to access, rectify, erase or restrict, or object to, the processing of your personal information or make use of the right to data portability by contacting privacy@icann.org. You also can lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority in your country of residence at any time.

CONSENT LANGUAGE I agree to the above provisions and consent to the processing of my Fellowship Program Mentor Position Application Form to ICANN, as set forth above, and for my Application Form to be published at <https://community.icann.org/display/GSSC> in connection with ICANN's consideration for my candidacy.

I understand the above provisions and do not consent to the processing of my Fellowship Program Mentor Position Application Form to ICANN, as set forth above, or for my Application Form to be published at <https://community.icann.org/display/GSSC> in connection with ICANN's consideration for my candidacy.

Date: 11 Jan 2024.


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Applicant Information

First Name: Calvin

Last Name: Browne

Gender: Male

Country of Residence: South African, currently resident in Ireland

Stakeholder Group/Constituency Affiliation: In order of time spent; Registrars Stakeholder Group (via DNS Africa Ltd IANA #2287), Registries Stakeholder Group (as back-end Service Provider to Domainworx & ZA Central Registry NPC), ccNSO.

Questions

- 1. Current employer and position. Please describe the type of work you perform:**

**Domain Name Services (Pty) Ltd (South Africa)
Director.**

- 2. Education:**

Initially trained as an Auditor (CPA).

- 3. Please identify any GNSO Working Groups and/or chartered teams in which you are participating:**

Registry Stakeholder Group. Keep an eye on Registrar Stakeholder Group as well as the ccNSO.

- 4. Please describe any past involvement in the ICANN Fellowship Program, if applicable. For example, have you previously been a fellow or served as a program mentor?**

n/a

- 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 with a track record of engagement**
- Previous experience serving as a mentor, teacher, or learning facilitator is a plus**
- Strong written and verbal communication skills**
- Project management and coordination skills**
- Networking skills**

I've been involved in ICANN since the beginning. I was involved in the original DNSO and participated in the decision by the ccTLDs to form the ccNSO and its subsequent formation.

I migrated from the CC Community towards the GTLD community with the inception of the last new gTLD program. I was an integral part of the team that secured the four African TLDs and their subsequent development.

I was a signatory in the formation of AFRALO, as a representative of ISOC ZA, being a former chair.

I was a key member of DNA Africa Ltd, an African ICANN accredited Registrar.

I was a member of the CCT review team.

In terms of mentoring, I have been responsible for introducing various members of our team into the ICANN environment.

Having been involved since the beginning of ICANN, I've met enough people to understand who will be able to point me to the right person when it comes to a particular issue, if I don't know the right person first hand.

- 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**
 - a. My track record of participation has been the GNSO, ccNSO and to a lesser extent At-Large.**
 - Understanding of the ICANN's mission, structure, and multistakeholder model**
 - a. I have a pretty good understanding of ICANN and the ICANN community. Having been involved with various constituencies, I have a good idea of the interaction between them**
 - Willingness to devote the necessary time and resources prior to and during the ICANN meeting**
 - a. Based on the time commitment described, I am willing to devote the necessary time. Additionally, I have spoken to a past mentor, to get a practical idea of what is involved.**
 - Ability to create a supportive atmosphere for mentees by being open, accessible, and approachable**
 - a. This is one of my skills as many ICANN colleagues can testify.**
 - Robust network within the ICANN community and ability to leverage and share that network**
 - a. As an active contributor to ICANN, I have an extensive network of knowledge of the community.**
 - Ability to present information in a manner that is simple and easy to understand**
 - a. I have been required to do this my entire professional career.**
 - Ability to establish weekly projects and deliverables for mentees using a clear and consistent learning approach**

- a. **I've had a look at the Roles and Responsibilities in the Program mentoring Guidelines, and can deliver on the Mentor Roles and Responsibilities mentioned therein.**

7. **Please explain your interest in serving as a mentor and what you will bring to the Fellowship Program if selected.**

Early on in my volunteering career (ISOC ZA, Gauteng Linux Users Group, Event Director of a local parkrun to name some), I've learnt that the reward gained from volunteering is a factor of one's input. By stepping forward here, I'm am looking forward to personal growth as I help NextGen candidates in their journey into the ICANN world. I understand that things can be intimidating to newcomers, I look forward to introducing them to various constituencies and the participants therein. I also look forward to explaining the interaction between the various stakeholders. I understand that when you're in the position of explaining stuff to people, you gain a greater understanding of the subject matter.