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 Please remember that the deadline for FY15 Budget consideration is **March 7th 2014**.

Title of Proposed Activity	
Intersessional Meeting for Non-Contracted Parties	
Community Requestor Name	Chair
NCSG and CSG with support of BC, IPC, ISPC, NCUC and NPOC	n/a
ICANN Staff Community Liaison	
n/a	

1. Activity: Please describe your proposed activity in detail	
Intersessional meeting – see attached	
2. Type of Activity: e.g. Outreach - Education/training - Travel support - Research/Study - Meetings - Other	
Meeting	
3. Proposed Timeline/Schedule: e.g. one time activity, recurring activity	
One-time activity, between ICANN 51 and 52 or 52 and 53	

1. Strategic Alignment. Which area of ICANN's Strategic Plan does this request support?	
be an exemplary model for multi-stakeholder governance; internationalization of ICANN and its relationships; stakeholder diversity and expansion; formulation of policies and enforceable agreements;	
2. Demographics. What audience(s), in which geographies, does your request target?	
Leadership and active members of NCSG, CSG and their constituencies	
3. Deliverables. What are the desired outcomes of your proposed activity?	
Enhance the effectiveness of non-contracted party groups within the GNSO , improve our communications with ICANN staff and leadership, and their understanding of the issues of importance to us. Improve cross-community interaction.	
4. Metrics. What measurements will you use to determine whether your activity achieves its desired outcomes?	
Structured feedback from participants at close of meeting and six months thereafter	



Staff Support Needed (not including subject matter expertise):				
Description	Timeline	Assumptions	Costs basis or parameters	Additional Comments
TBD (see attached)				
Subject Matter Expert Support:				
TBD based on 2013 intersessional as starting point, but with somewhat decreased level of ICANN staff participation due to increased focus on intra-House dialogue.				
Technology Support: (telephone, Adobe Connect, web streaming, etc.)				
TBD based on 2013 intersessional as starting point				
Language Services Support:				
TBD based on 2013 intersessional as starting point				
Other:				
Travel Support:				
TBD based on 2013 intersessional as starting point				
Potential/planned Sponsorship Contribution:				
n/a				

TO: Xavier Calvez, David Olive

FROM: Steve Metalitz, on behalf of GNSO Commercial Stakeholder Group, and Rafik Dammak, on behalf of GNSO Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group

RE: CSG/NCSG budget request for FY 2015 intersessional meeting

DATE: March 7, 2014

The funding request for the FY 2015 budget (see attached completed template) is submitted jointly by the Commercial Stakeholder Group and the Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group of GNSO, with the full support of their respective constituencies (BC, IPC, ISPC, NCUC and NPOC). Collectively, we ask that ICANN commit to funding an intersessional meeting of our stakeholder groups and constituencies during FY 2015.

The first and only intersessional meeting for non-contracted parties within the GNSO was held in January 2013 in Los Angeles. On the whole, we thought it was a successful and worthwhile initiative, and one with potential to deliver even greater benefits to the ICANN community in the future. Although an intersessional during FY 2014 was formally requested by at least one constituency during the FY 2014 budget request cycle, and informally requested by a broader spectrum of non-contracted party participants later in 2013, both requests were rejected by ICANN. We now submit this request in order to make our views known formally and within the time frame for FY 2015 budget requests.

We foresee that an intersessional meeting would take place either between ICANN 51 and 52 (late 2014 or early 2015) or between meetings 52 and 53 (around April 2015). It may be advisable to site the meeting in one of ICANN's three regional hubs (LA, Istanbul or Singapore), though other readily accessible sites certainly could be considered. We envision a 1.5 – 2 day meeting on roughly the same scale as the 2013 intersessional, with travel support provided for most or all participants, and active participation by ICANN staff (including senior staff officers) as resource persons as reflected in an agenda to be developed by our stakeholder groups and constituencies. While there are some format/agenda changes that would be advisable based on our experience of 2013 (notably allocating more time for interaction among our constituencies, in distinction to briefings from ICANN staff), we believe that for planning and budgeting purposes the 2013 meeting could be used as a starting point.

While of course we recognize that this memo does not constitute a fully-fledged budget request, we submit it now to ask for ICANN's agreement in principle to holding such an intersessional meeting in FY 2015. We believe this request is both timely and well justified by the need to enhance the effectiveness of non-contracted party groups within the GNSO, and to improve our communications with ICANN staff and leadership and their understanding of the issues of importance to us. Assuming that there is agreement in principle, our groups would promptly appoint representatives to develop a detailed agenda and to work with appropriate staff to craft a detailed budget.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of and response to this request.

CSG and NCSG

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