



FY16 COMMUNITY REQUEST FORM

All questions and completed forms should be sent to controller@icann.org. Please remember that the deadline for FY16 Budget consideration is **February 28th 2015**.

REQUEST INFORMATION

Title of Proposed Activity	
IPC travel support to ICANN meetings.	
Community Requestor Name	Chair
Intellectual Property Constituency (GNSO)	Greg Shatan
ICANN Staff Community Liaison	
None	

REQUEST DESCRIPTION

1. Activity: Please describe your proposed activity in detail

IPC officers and members are generally volunteers whose travel expenses are not reimbursed. In general, community attendance at ICANN meetings is diminished if travel support is not available, particularly for participants in outreach regions. The historical baseline level of support of full support for 3 persons is appreciated; however, under its by-laws IPC has 4 elected officers and other appointed leadership roles. In addition, ICANN is embarking on the RPM review during FY 2016, which will require additional community attendance and input to determine the effectiveness of RPMs and their impact on the global user community. To ensure robust input in this review process, the IPC requests full travel support for 6 persons to each ICANN public meeting in FY 2016. In the absence of approval for 6 persons, the IPC requests travel support for the 4 elected officers or, at a minimum, that the traditional level of travel support for 3 persons be maintained for each ICANN public meeting in FY 2016. The IPC will continue to provide more limited support, from its own funds, for other IPC participants to travel to ICANN meetings.

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

Travel Support and outreach to activities including the affected public in RPM review.

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

Recurring activity for each ICANN public meeting in FY 2016.

REQUEST OBJECTIVES

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

1) Strive to be an exemplary multi-stakeholder organization (2) Increase stakeholder diversity and cross-stakeholder work (3) Ease of global participation (4) Enhance cooperation in Internet Governance (5) Increase multi-stakeholder participation (6) Increase participation on key committees particularly as they relate to RPM reviews.

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



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The IPC has an international membership with shared interests in the intellectual property issues arising from the Domain Name System. IPC Officers and leadership are recognized leaders in the global IP community who provide valuable service to the ICANN community by sharing significant experience, knowledge and expertise regarding the relationship between intellectual property rights and domain names, particularly in relation to RPMs. The IPC officers and leadership include representatives of large and diverse international organizations (INTA, AIPLA, FICPI, Marques) and their continued presence at ICANN meetings aids ICANN’s effort to communicate its leadership in the domain name space to a broader international community and helps ICANN satisfy its obligations under the Affirmation of Commitments.

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

The IPC officers and members have provided ICANN with valuable volunteer service on many core institutional issues, including service on the IRT, STI and NomCom. IPC members’ presence at ICANN meetings facilitates ICANN’s satisfaction of its obligations under the Affirmation of Commitments. This request also supports increased attendance at ICANN meetings in general as well as specific expertise related to the RPM review.

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

The measurements for success would be (1) an increased level of attendance and participation by IPC leadership at ICANN meetings; and (2) having the voice of the actual public affected by the existing RPMs present and heard at the ICANN meetings.

RESOURCE PLANNING – INCREMENTAL TO ACCOMMODATE THIS REQUEST

Staff Support Needed (not including subject matter expertise):

Description	Timeline	Assumptions	Costs basis or parameters	Additional Comments
N/A				

Subject Matter Expert Support:

N/A

Technology Support: (telephone, Adobe Connect, web streaming, etc.)

N/A

Language Services Support:

N/A

Other:



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N/A

Travel Support:

See above description.

Potential/planned Sponsorship Contribution:

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