

## Expression of Interest for GNSO representatives - Third Accountability and Transparency Review (ATR3)

### Overview:

This call seeks individuals interested in serving as a Volunteer Review Team Member on the Third Accountability and Transparency Review (ATR3). The composition of the Review Team ideally will be balanced for diversity and skill.

Candidates are asked to fill in, save and submit their application forms to **gns-secs@icann.org** by **Tuesday 30 October 2018 at 23:59 UTC**.

The entire contents of this template, as well as any other supporting documents will be published on the [GNSO Standing Selection Committee wiki page](#). Accordingly, please be mindful of any personal information submitted, and please inform us if any of this information should be redacted from the public posting.

### How to complete your application:

1. This application form is divided in 4 main sections:
  - Applicant Information
  - Expertise
  - Skills
  - Motivation for serving on the Review Team
2. All sections of each form need to be filled in by the applicant. If given criteria (e.g. expertise) does not apply to the applicant, (s)he will leave the box empty.
3. Once the applicant has completed the form, (s)he will save it on his or her computer/tablet/smartphone.
4. The applicant will create a new email message addressed to **gns-secs@icann.org**, attach the form which (s)he previously saved and submit their application for consideration.
5. The applicant shall submit his or her application before **Tuesday 30 October 2018, 23:59 UTC**.

## Applicant Information

Last Name:

First Name:

Gender:  Female  Male

Country:

### Geographic Region associated with the domicile of volunteer:

- Africa  Asia/Australia/Pacific Islands  Europe  
 Latin America/Caribbean Islands  North America

### Confirm the Advisory Committee/Supporting Organization with which you wish to seek a nomination from to the ATRT3 Review Team:

- ALAC  ASO  Other  
 GAC  ccNSO  GNSO

### 1. Current vocation, employer and position:

I am a communications professional who has worked in the field of digital media for media outlets like Thomson Reuters, Development+Cooperation, Radio Netherlands etc. I began my career as an editor for the digital media division of a UK based publication house in India, Dorling Kindersley when it was a sister concern of Pearson. I have worked on digital rights, digital editions and different new technologies for converting books into their interactive counterparts.

Since then I have also volunteered as a youth advocate for TakingITGlobal, Advocates for Youth, Major Group for Children and Youth (a UN constituency for raising the youth voices on Sustainable Development Agenda). I now volunteer as a mentor for the Cherie Blair Foundation and help young women in their business ventures.

Professionally I have helped create communication designs and strategies for organizations and non-profits. I have worked as a consultant for a DFID project in India, as a communications focal point during the Uttarakhand Disaster (flash floods) and as a digital media analyst for an international financial organization in India.

Last year, I started studying copyright and patent law while this year I am pursuing Peace Research as a Rotary Peace Fellow at Uppsala University.

**2. Type of work performed in 1 above and declaration of relationships with entities holding a Financial (or declarable) Interest in ICANN:**

As far as I know, no organization that I have worked with hold a financial or declarable interest in ICANN.

**3. Identify any financial ownership or senior management/leadership interest in registries, registrars or other firms that are interested parties in ICANN policy or any entity with which ICANN has a transaction, contract, or other arrangement:**

I do not identify with any financial ownership or senior management/leadership interests in registries, registrars or other firms that are interested parties in ICANN policy.

4. Are you, or a company you work for:
- An applicant for a new gTLD with a pending application?
  - Providing advice to any new gTLD applicants with pending applications?
  - Otherwise involved in an application submitted (and pending) for the New gTLD Program, such as providing service in support of an applicant or having a financial interest in an applicant?

If your answer is yes to any of the above, please identify the interest you have in the pending application submitted for the New gTLD Program.

No.



5. Identify any type of commercial interest in ICANN policy development outcomes or the outcomes of this ATRT3 review. Do you represent other parties in any PDP or other ICANN related processes?

No.



**6. Prior member of the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> ATRT Review Team or was an active contributor to its work**

Yes  No

### **7. Education**

I have a Master's degree in Journalism and Mass Communication as well as International Relations from India.

### **8. Professional Certifications**

I have finished a diploma in Photojournalism from Ateneo de Manila and a Public Diplomacy course from DIPLO.

I started a correspondence course in copyright and patenting from National Law School Hyderabad last year. I have a basic understanding of programming languages, flowcharts and information flows as I did a short certificate course in IT during my college years.

### **9. Language**

English:  Native Speaker  Fluent  Conversant  Basic Knowledge

## Expertise

*Please assess and explain how your knowledge, experience and expertise address the criteria listed below. Leave the box blank if not applicable to you.*

- Performance assessment and audits
- Good governance and board performance
- Performance measurement
- Process improvement
- Knowledge of recognized frameworks for organizational excellence
- Principles of accountability applicable to organizations broadly similar to ICANN

I have worked in a managerial capacity in some of my previous avatars so I understand the basics of performance assessment as well as performance measurement. If given some background material to read and some guidance in the beginning, I think I can perform these tasks without much ado.

Good governance seems to be critical factor for better functioning of development projects or organizations. I think this will be an important aspect that I can give my inputs to as I have the analytical skills and resources to delve deeper into the topic if need be.

My previous experience of working with international organizations and dealing with complicated processes gives me the confidence that I will be able to help with this review process.

## Skills

*Please assess and explain how your knowledge, experience & personality meet the desired attributes listed below. Leave the box blank if not applicable to you.*

- Commitment and time to participate
- Understanding of the Multistakeholder community
- Team spirit, adaptability, consensus-seeking attitude
- Willingness to learn
- Readiness to contribute
- Capacity to reason objectively, putting aside personal opinions or preconceptions
- Analytical skills

I am currently a Rotary Peace Fellow at the Uppsala University. While I have academic commitments, I believe that I have the time to commit to a cause that I believe in. This process will help me learn more about internet governance, so I would like to commit to it.

I have worked as a youth advocate so I understand the complexities of multistakeholder communities. I think I am capable to working within these to come up with innovative solutions.

I like working in teams specially when I am still learning about the environments. I believe that though we live in a globalized world, localized solutions are crucial so in order to provide 'glocal' solutions teams and consensus is important.

As stated in my previous answers, I am an inquisitive soul who does not hesitate to state her opinion or contribute on the basis of what she has learnt whenever she can.

In the end, I would just like to state that I believe I have most of the skills listed here and I think I can use them to benefit the group if provided with the right environment and encouragement. I might need to learn the details or the technicalities but my intent and managerial as well as organizational skills have been polished over time and are ready to be used.

## Motivation for Serving on Review Team

*Please provide your interest in serving on the Review Team and what you will bring to the team if selected.*

My sole interest in this position is to learn more about ICANN, its functions and use this knowledge to understand internet freedom better and to write about this complex topic for a young audience such that we have more people who are aware of the world that they live in.

In my current capacity as a Rotary Peace Fellow, I have the time and the academic resources at my disposal which will help me learn more about the reviewing processes as well as give meaningful inputs.

I want to create a better virtual world for the future generations and I like understanding the macro level pictures for both professional and personal purposes. This motivates me to work and to learn more on a more general level.

I am an enthusiastic learner who has observed UN processes in the climate change arena as well as sustainable development dialogues so I can contribute to the discussions with regard to governance and frameworks, if given a chance.