



# FY18 COMMUNITY REQUEST FORM

All questions and completed forms should be sent to [controller@icann.org](mailto:controller@icann.org).  
Please remember that the deadline for FY18 Budget consideration is **30 January 2017**.

## REQUEST INFORMATION

### Title of Proposed Activity

Additional support for government travelers to a foreseen High-Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM) in FY18

### Community Requestor Name

Governmental Advisory Committee

### Chair

Thomas Schneider

### ICANN Staff Community Liaison

Olof Nordling

## REQUEST DESCRIPTION

### 1. Activity: Please describe your proposed activity in detail

In line with an ATRT2 Recommendation, the GAC is organizing High Level Governmental Meetings (HLGM) every second year, in order to increase high-level government awareness of and support for GAC and ICANN activities, as well as to further increase GAC Membership. The three HLGMs conducted so far, in Toronto 2012, in London 2014 and in Marrakech 2016, have served those purposes very well, and the next HLGM is foreseen for 2018, potentially during FY18 although a final decision in that regard remains to be made. This request is thus filed in anticipation of the latter being the case, i.e. that the next HLGM will take place during FY18.

For a HLGM, high-level government officials are invited from GAC Member countries as well from countries that are not yet GAC Members. In order to promote attendance by prospective GAC Members, countries that typically are in early stages of economic development, the GAC requested in March 2014, in an advice to the Board, that support be granted for 30 extra travelers for the HLGM in London in June 2014, in addition to established GAC travel support. This advice was followed and had the desired effects, much to the GAC's and the HLGM participants' appreciation, but the short notice before the HLGM put considerable time constraints on the execution. Accordingly, for the 2016 HLGM, although the location and exact timing of this event was not yet decided, a Community Request was timely filed for support of 30 extra travelers. This was granted and the HLGM was later decided to be held in Marrakech.

Following the approach chosen for the 2016 HLGM, the current request is filed well in advance for support of 30 extra travelers for the next HLGM in 2018, in addition to GAC travel support per se.

It is assumed that ancillary specific expenditures for a HLGM in FY18, e.g. for catering, would be covered in the same manner as for previous HLGMs and not call for a Community Request in order to be funded.

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

Travel Support

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



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Additional travel support is requested for a HLGGM in FY18. HLGGMs are recurrent, with relatively low frequency, organized every second year.

## REQUEST OBJECTIVES

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

Evolve policy development and decision-making processes, structures and meetings to be more inclusive, efficient, effective and responsive to the changing needs of our diverse, global stakeholders. To fulfill ATRT2 recommendations and to retain and support existing community while attracting new and diverse community members, enhance cooperation in Internet Governance, increase multistakeholder participation and promote continuing education/orientation in ICANN programs.

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

Governments and Intergovernmental Organisations, in particular from developing economies throughout all regions.

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

Increased and more diverse participation in the GAC, greater involvement of the developing world in the ongoing work of the GAC and enhanced participation in the multistakeholder processes.

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

Logistics reports after each meeting which include participation and attendance information to identify increased GAC participation and membership from developed economies, as well as continued capacity building projects within the GAC.

## RESOURCE PLANNING – INCREMENTAL TO ACCOMMODATE THIS REQUEST

### Staff Support Needed (not including subject matter expertise):

Description	Timeline	Assumptions	Costs basis or parameters	Additional Comments
Incremental efforts for GAC support staff and Community Travel staff	phased prior to HLGGM meeting, concurrent with ICANN meeting in 2018			No new activity, just an increase of cases to handle

### Subject Matter Expert Support:

N/A

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



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N/A

**Language Services Support:**

N/A

**Other:**

N/A

**Travel Support:**

Travel funding to HLGGM for 30 high-level government officials from developing economies to attend a HLGGM meeting in FY18. It is estimated that the average costs for a travel slot per ICANN meeting are 3,000 USD. Total cost for budgeting purposes  $30 \times 3,000 = 90,000$  USD.

**Potential/planned Sponsorship Contribution:**

N/A