

EURALO – Expression of Interest

Background

Coming with an industrial background, I finished by Engineering degree two years ago, which is the French equivalent of a Master of Science. I am deeply interested about the Internet of Things, Internet Governance and the Industry 4.0.

I am currently PhD candidate at Arts & Metiers ParisTech in Angers and Paris in France. During my studies, I worked in China and Tajikistan, helping *brick and mortars* companies to have a digital presence. My professional experience ranges from entrepreneurship with the development of smartphone applications to the position that I currently hold at Nameshield as Research Engineer. My PhD is financed by this French registrar and I am working in order to improve domain name awareness.

Interests

A big part of my thesis focuses on Domain Name understaining for final customers. As an example, I consider that the loss of the identification-trust link of structured TLD is one of the reason of fake news. My position is to define the domain name as the technical tool on the Internet of identification. Open TLDs are for me a mistake that we will regret a day.

Secondly, I am interested about TLD delegation. France is a country with a metropolitan area and oversea territories. If France could manage .FR from 1986, a lot of these *outremer* region do not have TLD delegated and managed by AFNIC, the French non profit registry. For these developpments, I got the *Best Paper Award* from IARIA Conference in 2017. I have deep contacts with european and worldwide ccTLDs registries and works to create *best practices*.

Create an interest for citizens, involve politics into Internet Governance and help the industrial field to adapt to the e-revolution are my main topics.

ICANN involvement

My first involmment with ICANN was my selection as a NextGen at ICANN58, held in Copenhaguen, Denmark in 2016. Because of my studies and personal interests, I joined European Regional At-Large Organization (EURALO) Individuals' Association, as well as ISOC and AFNIC as an individual user. I understood and practiced the multistakeholder community and was selected as a Fellow of the 11th European Summer School on Internet Governance in Meissen.

Right now, I am creating the First French Internet Governance School, which is expected to start by 2018.

EURALO goal

I am currently interested by a deep involmment in EURALO activities in order to create a direct link with *netizens* and *citizens*. The industrial world is not currently linked with ICANN activities and I personally think that we should bypass the registrar-registry corridor.

Thanks for the reading !

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