

Step 1 - Is the Applicant worthy of support

- # Preference given to:
  - \* Community based Applications
  - \* NGOs, non-profits
  - \* Emerging markets / developing nations
  - \* IDN language applications
  - \* local entrepreneurs
  - \* other factors (gender)

# Third Party Background check of Applicant

# Identify Needy Applicants based on financial and/or technical need (requires declaration of assets, financial reports and bank statements of Applicant & its partners)

Applicant should be able to pay initial cost of Steps 1,2 & 3 (Step 3 background checks done 3 times)

..... DAG PROCESS Register in TAS .....

Step 2 - Invite needy Applicant to apply for gTLD

# Needy Applicant Assisted with preparation by [Applicant Guidebook subcontractor]

# Preliminary Background Screening by [DAG subcontractor]

# Link / Connect Donors of support (eg Technical) with Needy Applicants

# Gauge success/financial viability of new gTLD application for Step 4

Step 3 - Review of Applicant Circumstances (note that this review occurs up to 3 times in the Application Round)

# Review/request financial information of Applicant

# If willfully fail to disclose or dishonest then REVOKED applicant - Applicant refunds all fees

# If financial circumstances of applicant has improved (no longer needy), then DISCHARGED - Applicant repays fees and becomes regular applicant

# If financial circumstances of applicant is the same (still needy) then applicant goes to Step 4

..... Before DAG PROCESS Applicant submit applications and evaluation fees .....

Step 3 - Review of Applicant Circumstances

..... After DAG PROCESS gTLD granted .....

Step 4 - after gTLD granted, Partial Payment and Repayment

# Review/request financial information of new gTLD to evaluate whether they can repay in full or part the application fee