


Fouad Bajwa SOI

At-Large Statement of Interest (SOI) Form

1) Please enter your Name:	Fouad Bajwa
2) Picture/Image: <i>(Instructions: Click in the field to the right to open up the text input window. Then click the <Insert> menu button, select <Image>, then choose (or browse) to locate an image file (e.g., JPG, PNG, BMP) from your local computer to upload. After insertion, please click on the picture and adjust the size to no larger than 200 pixels).</i>	
3) Are you participating in the At-Large advisory process (including email and real-time discussions) as a representative of:	
a) ALAC (if so, detail the region and term):	n/a
b) A Regional At-Large Organization (RALO) (if so, please detail the region, position and term):	APRALO
c) An ICANN-accredited At-Large Structure (if so, which one):	The Internet Research Project Pakistan IRP2
d) Any ICANN Committee, Constituency or Stakeholder Group (if so, which one(s))?	
e) Any other company or organization, whether commercial or nonprofit (if so, please detail the organization and your position):	
4) Please identify your current employer(s):	Digital Dera smart villages network Pakistan Centre for Public Policy & Governance, Lahore, Pakistan.
5) Please identify your current position(s):	Chief and Co-Founder Visiting Fellow and Adjunct
6) Please identify the type(s) of work performed:	Leadership, strategy, management, public policy, compliance and regulatory affairs, community engagement, ecosystem relations. Adjunct Faculty Member for Internet Public Policy, Rural Connectivity, E-Governance, Advocacy, Technology, Internet Governance, Quality and Standards.
7) Please identify your declared country of primary residence:	Pakistan
8) Please list any financial relationship beyond de minimus stock ownership you may have with any company that to your knowledge has a financial relationship or contract with ICANN:	None

9) Please identify any other relevant arrangements, interests, or benefits as requested in the following two questions:	
a) Do you, your employer, and/or sponsor have any type of material or financial interest in the At-Large advisory process and its outcomes?	No
If the answer is "Yes," please describe the interest:	
b) Are there any arrangements/agreements between you and any other group, constituency or person(s) regarding your participation as a work team member?	No
If the answer is "Yes," please describe the arrangements/agreements and the name of the group, constituency, or person(s):	
10) Please identify any Working Groups or other chartered teams in which you are participating (include acronyms, if applicable):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG) • UA Tech Working Group • Cross Community Working Group on Internet Governance • APRALO Co-Vice Chair 2012-14 • APRALO Co-Vice Chair 2010-12 • New GTLD Review Group • Technology Task Force • Member Multistakeholder Steering Group MSG, APriGF • Member of the steering group and faculty for PKIGF Pakistan School on Internet Governance
11) Additional information (optional):	<p>Fouad Bajwa is a social entrepreneur and public policy educator from Lahore in Pakistan. Fouad is the Chief and Co-Founder of Agriculture Republic and the Digital Dera smart villages network (in collaboration with Internet Society) that has connected remote rural under privileged communities to the Internet in rural Pakistan. He is an adjunct with the Centre for Public Policy and Governance at the FCCU, Lahore since 2015. His work can be viewed here.</p> <p>Fouad has been participating in various initiatives that promote a free and open Internet in Pakistan. He founded the IRP2, a strategic Internet policy advocacy group in 2009 to help make the citizenry aware of their rights in the digital space and the social, economic and political changes being brought about due to the Internet that has evolved into the Digital Dera smart village network that is a recognisable name worldwide. The Digital Dera network has been actively engaging in improving Internet connectivity, and promote Internet Governance activities around Pakistan.</p> <p>He founded the FOSS movement in the country that helped increase the penetration of open source innovation in the country and promote a culture of digital creation and sharing that helped evolve the startup culture in the country. He has also been awarded the national OSS award for his contributions to the movement. Fouad participated in the WSIS process and contributed to the IGF. He served as a member of the IGF MAG from 2009-2011. He teaches Internet Governance and Public Policy at the Center for Public Policy and Governance, Lahore since 2015 and contributes to the Pakistan School on Internet Governance as a faculty and organizing committee.</p> <p>Fouad believes in the ethos of community, empathy, inclusiveness, caring, sharing, helping and promoting each others ideas and contributions so that we can grow together as a community.</p>
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