

# ALAC Statement on the Summit for Developing Countries

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>The ALAC notes that a Summit for Developing Countries is under consideration by the Board's Public Participation Committee and by other interested parties. The ALAC supports the goals of this initiative and desires to see this effort coupled with ICANN's long-term plan (as delineated in the draft FY12 Operating Plan and Budget) to support TLD capability training in developing countries.

As the representatives of local internet communities within ICANN, the ALAC in conjunction with its supporting regional organizations looks forward to the opportunity to assist in the planning necessary to bring this Summit to fruition.

We recognize that there remains a need to properly allocate resources for logistics and funding to support this endeavor, and as such the ALAC recommends that during this austere fiscal year the number of scheduled registry-registrar gatherings be reduced by one to thereby allow this Summit the full benefit of proper support.