Application for "At-Large Structure" (ALS) Designation



Applications should be submitted electronically to <u>als@alac.icann.org</u>. Please address any questions about the applications process to this address.

The form can be downloaded from http://www.alac.icann.org/correspondence/structures-app.txt.

Contact information

1. Organization's Name:

ISOC Chapter of Wallonia (Belgium)

2. Organization's email address:

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4. Organization's address (location and postal address, if different):

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5. Organization's website (URL) (if available):

http://www.wallonie-isoc.org

- 6. Organization's contact for ALS application (email, phone, address):
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Description

1. Is your organization constituted so that participation by individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the Geographic Region in which your organization is based will predominate in your organization's operation?

Yes

2. Describe your organization's constituents/membership (number, citizenship/location, defining characteristic - e.g. profession for professional societies):

Number of members: 55

Citizenship/location: The majority are Belgian nationals (French-speaking), practicing in Wallonia (Namur, Liège, Charleroi, Louvain-la-Neuve, Mons and other parts of Wallonia) as well as in Brussels

Professions: Researchers, university professors, teachers, programmers, librarians, journalists, network administrators, elected representatives, students, civil servants, pensioners, etc.

3. Explain the eligibility requirements (if any) for your organization's constituents/membership (if you provide a written application for admission as a member, you may attach a copy):

See: http://www.wallonie-isoc.org/Formulaires/Inscription_Membres.htm

4. In what language/s does your organization conduct its business?

In French, while taking part in the international English meetings (ICANN, ISOC, WSIS, IGF...).

5. Provide support for the statement that your organization is self-supporting (by answering "yes" you confirm that it will not rely on ICANN for funding):

Yes, the Wallonia Chapter is financed by its members.

6. Describe your organization's structure (e.g. governing and decision-making bodies and processes):

The official chapter structure conforms to the criteria required of a Belgian non-profit organization, as well as the Internet Society's requirements for the accreditation of ISOC Chapters. The detailed structure is described in the Statutes found:

See: http://www.wallonie-isoc.org/Statuts_ISOC-Wallonie.htm

7. Does your organization commit to supporting its individual constituents'/membership's informed participation in ICANN?

- 8. Describe how your organization keeps its constituents/membership informed about, and enables them to participate in, decisions regarding issues of interest:
 - a. General information is accessible by the public on the Web site.
 - b. The Wallonia Chapter organizes meetings periodically; their main activities and results are described on the site.
 - c. The conferences and projects generate many publications.
 - d. The Chapter has a mailing list for all its members.
 - e. The Chapter holds an annual General Assembly in compliance with the rules of the statutes.
- 9. Does your organization post on the Internet publicly-accessible, current information about your organization's goals, structure, description of constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s) (if this information currently is available, provide URLs)?

Yes, see: http://www.wallonie-isoc.org

10. Provide information on your organization's leadership (leaders' names, positions, emails):

The names and titles of the Administrators and the elected members of the Board of Directors are published on the Internet site:

http://www.wallonie-isoc.org/Chapitre/Administrateur(trice)s.htm

Objectives

 What is your organization's primary goal or mission (please attach any mission or policy statement for your organization, if in writing, or provide a URL, if posted):

Wallonia Chapter of the Internet Society. See the annex.

- 2. What ICANN-related issues currently are of interest to your organization's constituents/membership:
 - a. The promotion of multilingualism, the distribution of the IDN, etc.
 - b. The governance of the Internet in the broad sense, the ethical dimension, the systems of management, etc.
 - c. The creation, management, and use of domain names, generic and/or geographical, in particular. .be; .eu, etc.
 - d. Addressing Ipv6: ASO, RIPE.

- e. The promotion of content in French and other languages, national and regional.
- 3. If formed, will your organization commit to assisting the Regional At-Large Organization (RALO) for the region in which your organization is based in performing its function?

Yes.

Signature

(Include the name, and title, if applicable, of the individual who is authorized by your organization to sign this application and commit your organization to comply with ALS criteria.)

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Annexe: Objectives

Purpose:

The purpose of the Chapitre Wallonie de líInternet Society includes the following objectives†:

- 1. ensuring the dynamic functioning of this chapter within the framework set forth by the bylaws and regulations of the Internet Society (Isoc), in order to assemble around the worldwide Internet network the Walloon actors who are active and responsible in all sectors of society.
- 2. associating itself with the objectives of the Isoc, to favor access to the Internet for the greatest possible number, while reinforcing the measures for filtering sites which are unsuitable for children.
- 3. promoting Wallonia and French culture throughout the world via the Internet, by strengthening the presence of the French language on the sites, with the collaboration of the chapters using French.
- 4. building up the relations between citizens and the Internet, by encouraging interactive multimedia training in all educational sectors, so as to instil the spirit of "knowing how to learn and find everything" so as to facilitate the reconversion, by increasing access to knowledge, ongoing training, the sharing of resources as well as by tracing out the essential passage between the world of learning and that of employment.
- 5. managing the new citizenship generated in real time by the virtual society, by ensuring the protection of privacy, the consideration of ethical concerns and the preservation of traditional customs (reading, writing, language, etc.).

6. regularly evaluating the effectiveness of Internet equipment and projects placed at the service of Internet users in Wallonia in order to ensure their harmonious participation in the networked society.

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To achieve these objectives, the Chapitre Wallonie de líISOC exercises notably the following activities, without regard to any political, religious or philosophical concerns†: †

- 1. It favours, by the diversity and activity of its members, the constitution of networks for reflection, technical updating, co-ordination and dissemination permitting this broad interdisciplinary team to construct a place on the world-wide Internet for the Wallonia network.
- 2. It strives to maintain a critical knowledge of research and development, the evolution of Internet technologies, cultural realities, social mechanisms and economic constraints, capacities for action and attitudes of participation in the cultural, political, social and economic life of Wallonia, Europe and the world in general.
- 3. It organises networks for reflection, events (forums, conferences, congresses) illustrating its objectives, the gathering and dissemination of data. These activities may be implemented either by the Wallonia Chapter itself, alone or in collaboration, or via the intermediary of public or private organisations, whether already existing or yet to be created.

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