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-BENIN
- 2. Organization's email address: isocbenin@yahoo.fr
- 3. Organization's phone number (include country/city codes): +229 90906279
- 4. Organization's address (location and postal address, if different):
- 5. Organization's website (URL) (if available): www.isoc.bj
- 6. Organization's contact for ALS application (email, phone, address):

Email: yaovito@yahoo.fr

Phone: +229 90906279

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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):

We have actually 50 members in ISOC-BENIN. Most of the members are professional from IT companies, the University of Calavi, International organizations. We have also some students.

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):

Any person who wants to become a member of the organization should first fill a form. He can also do it online at http://www.isoc.bj/inscription.php . The board of ISOC processes the application then replies to the applicant.

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

 French is the official language for the chapter's activities
- 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):
- 6. Describe your organization's structure (e.g. governing and decision-making bodies and processes):

We have the general assembly of the chapter who is the body that can take any decision concerning the general rules guiding the chapter. There is a board of director composed by 10 members who elected also an executive board of 6 members. This executive board is in charge of the daily coordination.

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

Sure. ISOC-Benin will be supporting its individual constituents or memberships 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:

ISOC-BENIN use regularly his mailing list (isocbenin@isoc.bj) to share information with the members and also to organize discussion about any issues that requires input from the members. The chapter organize also face to face meeting in some case to discuss and get a consensus on some important issues

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)?

ISOC-Benin makes available the maximum of information on his website at www.isoc.bj

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

Pierre Dandjinou, President, dandjinou.pierre@undp.org
Louis Agbaholou, Vice-President, agbaholou@intnet.bj
Yaovi Atohoun, Secretary General, yaovito@yahoo.fr
Jean Tchougbe, Vice Secretary General, jean.tchougbe@auf.org
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Objectives

1. 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):

The primary goal is on our main page at www.isoc.bj . I can list

- promote the usage of Internet
- Participate in the activities of ISOC
- cooperate with other ISOC chapters
- take position on important IT issues
- 2. What ICANN-related issues currently are of interest to your organization's constituents/membership:
- Promote competition on the internet services issues
- Encourage a maximum participation on the debates related to the Internet
- Propose policies and participate in the discussions
- 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?

ISOC-BENIN commit to assisting AFRALO by participating actively in its activities

Signature

Yaovi Atohoun

Secretary General

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