

RE: Call For Volunteers: ccNSO Appointed Delegate to the 2025 ICANN NomCom

Good Day Joke,

The Subject matter refers;

I am writing to express my interest in an appointment as a ccNSO delegate to the 2025 ICANN Nominating Committee. I currently serve as the Executive Manager for Compliance and Regulation at the .za Domain Name Authority (ZADNA), South Africa's ccTLD.

I have experience engaging in compliance and regulatory matters nationally and internationally, which has allowed me to learn and implement various frameworks, including the ICANN Code of Conduct. To mention a few, I have developed a Global Compliance Framework status Report for the .za ccTLD to ensure that ZADNA accords with the best practices and guidelines of ICANN. This relates to the efficient and prompt registration of domain names, ensuring a fair and equitable platform for registrants' eligibility, adopting policies, and ensuring that registry data is reasonably secured while ensuring adequate mechanisms for dispute resolution.

Furthermore, I have participated in various international forums, enabling firsthand participation in outreaches and information-gathering processes. This includes attendance at the 2023 and 2024 Global Symposium for Regulators in Egypt and Uganda, organized by the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), where I presented South Africa's collaborative measures to advance internet use and security. I also participate in the Africa Telecommunications Union (ATU), more closely setting out Africa's position in ITU resolutions, with a particular interest in Resolution 61, which relates to the transition of Internet Protocols from IPv4 to IPv6.

The above experience and participation have allowed me to acquire insight into ICANN's workings and structures, making me an impartial yet informed individual who could adequately serve on the Nominating Committee. Furthermore, my current role within ZADNA requires reporting quarterly on the .za ccTLD activities and performance through the Namespace and ICT Committee of the Board. This responsibility has enabled me to develop concise and informative reports, a skill I could utilize in creating reports for the Supporting Organizations/Advisory Committees.

In the same breath, I have a reporting responsibility to the Human Resources and Remuneration Committee, which has afforded me insight into identifying and engaging individuals to occupy and proactively conduct functions in line with their areas of responsibility and expertise, both internally and externally. This will go a long way in meaningful participation in identifying suitable delegates through the Nominating Committee.

As a seasoned legal professional with experience spanning over 11 years, I have acquired the skills for legislative and policy framework interpretation and enforcement. I believe these skills will aid in adequately understanding my responsibilities and terms of engagement per the ICANN Committee Participation Agreement.

Lastly, I have maintained good working relations throughout my career path, which will go a long way to ensuring an excellent professional relationship with fellow members of the Nominating Committee, and I have no doubt that my ability to adapt to a working environment will enable me to participate in the Nominating Committee teleconferences seamlessly.

I sincerely hope my submission will be well received, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Service,


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