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**Date:** Friday, January 23, 2009

**Applicant Organisation:** INTERNAUTA VENEZUELA, ASOCIACIÓN DE USUARIOS DE INTERNET DE LA REPÚBLICA BOLIVARIANA DE VENEZUELA

Region: Latin America

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**1) COMMITMENTS**

**a. Does the applicant commit to supporting individual Internet users' informed participation in ICANN?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information

**b. Does the applicant agree to assist the RALO in performing its function?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

**2) GOVERNANCE**

**c. Which geographical area(s) are the applicants membership drawn from?**

Bylaws include actions within and outside Venezuela. Unable to confirm activities.

**d. Is the applicant constituted so that participation by individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the geographic region in which the ALS is based control the organisation?**

YES:  NO:

Please explain the answer and the source material, with URLs, for the response:

Source: Internauta Venezuela Bylaws. Allegedly, on the process of being filed with government.

**e. Does the applicant really have individual members?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

Provide any references used to answer the question here:

If YES on (c) above, are these members active, or do they mostly just sign up and delegate to their leaders?

ACTIVE:  DELEGATE:

**f. Does the applicant have organizations as members?**

YES:  NO:  Does not appear to be the case according to Bylaws.

IF YES: Provide details about the nature, type, and number of such members:

IF YES: Provide information about the control they exert over the organisation, whether or not the organizational members are themselves predominantly organised for the benefit of individual internet users.

**g. Does the applicant have governmental bodies or quasi-governmental bodies as members?**

YES:  NO:

IF YES: Provide details about the nature, type, and number of such members. In particular, describe whether or not the nature of these members is congruent with the *Guidelines for Evaluating ALS Applications* as regards the Second Criterion, and how you arrived at your judgment in this regard::

**h. Does the applicant permit additional participation by others that is compatible with the interests of the individual Internet users within the region?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

Please explain the answer and the source material, with URLs, for the response:

**i. Is the applicant self-supporting? (i.e. will not rely on ICANN for funding).**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

How is the organization funded and what source material or information did you rely on to make your judgment?

- j. Does the applicant post on the Internet current information about their goals, structure, description of constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s)?**

YES:  NO:

If YES, please provide the URLs where you found the information (preferably specific to the question, not simply the homepage URL):

Website does not respond to the URL provided in the application form. However, there is a website at: <http://www.internautavenezuela.org/>

- k. Do the membership, leadership and internal mechanisms described in the application correspond to those exposed on the website?**

YES:  NO:

If 'YES', how and where are the references?

- l. How does the applicant appear to be funded?**

Outline funding sources: Unable to verify information.

Where / what sources did you use to find the answers to this question?

Phone calls with members of community, the president of Internauta Venezuela and website.

- m. Does the funding mechanism show dependence on other interest groups (i.e. industry, government)?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

If YES, please provide some further information on what sources you can identify:

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If ‘YES’, please clarify if possible whether the sources are likely to influence the governance of the organization (for example, a grant from a charity or foundation may well be free of ‘strings’ of this kind, where corporate donations in some cases might not be):

**n. Are the leaders of the applicant organization involved in other organizations or entities?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

If ‘YES’, please reference the sources for this answer:

If YES were they already involved in Internet governance issues in the past, and in which role?

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

If YES, role(s):

**o. Is the mission / policy statement actually related to ICANN / Internet governance issues / advocating users'/consumers interests?**

YES:  NO:  Unable to verify information.

If YES, include mission/policy statement, and reference the source:

**3) INTERNET PRESENCE**

**a. Is the contact information for the organization and its contact person complete and reasonable?**

YES:  NO:

Does the listed URL work?

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YES:  NO:

Does the website seem to be regularly updated?

YES:  NO:

Does the website have online discussion forums?

YES:  NO:

If archives are publicly available, do these forums show signs of recent activity (in the last few months)?

YES:  NO:

If public, are they kept up to date?

YES:  NO:

**4) ADDITIONAL DUE DILIGENCE**

**a. How active and well known is the applicant organization?**

Number of results for a Google search of organisation in quotes: **Less than 100, most related to the ALS application.**

Additional information if any: None.

**b. Were you familiar with this applicant before the applicant applied to become an ALS?**

YES:  NO:

If 'YES' please provide some detail of your previous knowledge:

**c. What kind of issues does it focus on mostly?**

Outline focus issues: **Users rights and education.**

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- Has the applicant set up any event, meeting, or real-life activity pertaining to Internet governance issues, or other issues related to the interests of individual users?

YES:  NO:

Additional information if any:

- Has the applicant been active in international, regional or national Internet governance issues?

ACTIVE:  INACTIVE:

If Active, please provide details of activities or reference URLs for the same:

NOTE: most of the documents are a copy of Internauta Argentina. For example, when checked in January 10, 2008,

[http://www.internautavenezuela.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=45&Itemid=56](http://www.internautavenezuela.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=45&Itemid=56)

It says in Spanish: “promoting the quality of life of all Argentine people”.