

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – NCUC REP TO THE NCSG FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

Overview:

The NCUC is calling for applications for one representative to the NCSG Financial Committee. Below from the NCSG Charter.

The NCSG Finance Committee is responsible for establishing a firm financial footing for the NCSG and administering NCSG funds within a defined framework that meets relevant legal requirements as well as requirements imposed by ICANN. The NCSG-FC's responsibilities include fundraising, setting voluntary contribution levels for members, determining procedures for the distribution of funds, and monitoring the utilization of funds. The NCSG-FC will also be responsible for the Treasurer function. The formation of the NCSG-FC, its composition, and duties within the NCSG-FC are set out in Section 2.6.

Applicants should have the following expertise, listed in the NCUC Operating Procedures. [ncuc.org]

NCSG Finance Committee:

- a. Has a depth of expertise in financial management, forensic accounting, and/or budgeting.
- b. Candidates should also highlight their practical understanding of financial accounts, risk management, and understanding of auditing processes, as well as any experience with grant seeking and/or fundraising.
- c. Understanding of ICANN's structure, mission, and operational requirements, especially as they relate to the NCSG.
- d. Capacity to work effectively within a team and communicate financial matters clearly to diverse stakeholders.

The NCUC EC will evaluate all candidates' statements, and following the review, the shortlisted candidates will be invited for a brief discussion with the EC before a decision will be made on the appointment.

Applications will open today, Monday, 06 January 2025, and will close on Monday, 10 February 2025 (a minimum of 14 days to apply).

Please send your applications including a statement of interest and listing of qualifications to andrea.glandon@icann.org

The NCUC EC will reach a decision within of the application deadline of 7 business days. Positions are filled by the majority of the NCUC EC voting

APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: *Pascal*

Last Name: *Bekono*

Gender: *Male*

Country of Residence: *Cameroon*

Stakeholder Group/Constituency Affiliation: *NCSG/NCUC*

a. Expertise in financial management, forensic accounting, and/or budgeting

Currently, I work as Head of Commitment Expenditure at the Ministry of Justice. With an overall budget of \$110 million, my department is responsible for \$33 million of the authorizing officers. The activity consists of monitoring the execution of the budget, coordinating expenditure with regard to budget planning and programming. It also involves defining the expenditure of the various authorizing officers and senior officials according to the objectives with a view to achieving the results defined in the medium-term expenditure frameworks.

In addition to this responsibility, I work as a computer engineer. This role consists of: Monitoring IT and regulatory policies at the Ministry of Justice in liaison with other administrations, Coordinating the implementation of the computerization of the judicial system, from the design phase to monitoring with service providers.

b. Practical understanding of financial accounts, risk management, and understanding of auditing processes, as well as any experience with grant seeking and/or fundraising.

As the former board chair of the African Center Advocacy (we-advocate.org) during five years, a NGO, I had privilege to run projects, to write proposals, fundraisings and to manage activities regarding international standards advised by our international partners. Such as the World Health Organization, Corporate Accountability and Public Participation for Africa (CAPPA), WaterAid, etc...

Recently, on the 12th February 2025, I have been selected as Member of board of directors of the World Computer Exchange (WCE); the World Computer Exchange's mission is to provide underserved communities worldwide with access to technology. Over the last 25 years, the WCE have connected 5 million people in 56 countries with digital resources, empowering them to reach their full potential. Working as director in the board is important

and having a good understanding of financial accounting, governance, and audit are very crucial.

As part of Program Management Professional study ([PMI.org](https://www.pmi.org)), I have a clear understand and knowledge of risks management

c. Understanding of ICANN’s structure, mission, and operational requirements, especially as they relate to the NCSG.

I joined ICANN as fellow in 2012. Since that time, I had the opportunity to learn and have a good understanding of iCANN’s mission and structure. **Throughout this journey, I participated in numerous working groups, sessions and discussions, etc...**

ICANN's mission is to help ensure a stable, secure, and unified global Internet. To reach another person on the Internet, you need to type an address – a name or a number – into your computer or other device. That address must be unique so computers know where to find each other. The ICANN Community mainly consists of three Supporting Organizations (SOs) that develop topic-specific policies, as well as four Advisory Committees (ACs) that provide advice on those policies and the wider ICANN activities. A Multistakeholder Model is an organizational framework or structure which adopts the multistakeholder process of governance or policy making, which aims to bring together the primary stakeholders such as businesses, civil society, governments, research institutions and non-government organizations to cooperate and The SOs are the Generic Names Supporting Organization, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization, and the Address Supporting Organization.

d. Capacity to work effectively within a team and communicate financial matters clearly to diverse stakeholders.

Through my daily work with the Government of Cameroon, my experience with local and international organizations, my previous experience with NOMCOM and my studies, I have had the opportunity to acquire the ability to work effectively within a team and clearly communicate financial matters to various stakeholders.

- I have good experience in “team collaboration”: I manage a team of many employees in my daily work, I have the necessary skills
- I have experience in reporting within a high-level panel
- I have experience in financial reporting and analysis and in the use of associated software and graphics
- I have experience in communicating with different stakeholders
- I strive to be a continuous learner