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Applicant Organization: LOAD e.V.
Region: EURALO
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1) COMMITMENTS

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

2) GOVERNANCE

a. Which geographical area(s) are the applicants' memberships drawn from?

EURALO

b. 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 organization?

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

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

Website is in German, so geared towards a German speaking membership.

As per application form: "We are a german based, but european and international orientated NGO." "we are addressing liberal and Internet poltics intersted germans but are not restricted to that."

"There is a general Assembly twice a year. Each member has one vote on every raised issue. Every member is encourages to take an active part in the work of the organization."

c. Does the applicant really have individual members?

YES: ☐x   NO: ☐

Provide any references used to answer the question here: As per application form: "We are a group of individuals with a liberal background and interest in Internet poltics."

"We offer two type of memberships: Individuals: approx: 50 Institutions: 0"

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

ACTIVE: ☐x   DELEGATE: ☐

d. Does the applicant have organizations as members?

YES: ☐   NO: ☐x

However they are allowed as members as per application form: "we don´t have any organizations or companies as members. Though we do allow that but our rules will not allow do be financially dependant on those memberships."

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

YES: ☐   NO: ☐x

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

YES: ☐x   NO: ☐

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

As per email exchange with the applicant: "Yes, guests are welcome to most of our events. Normally only board "meetings are closed and only for board members.

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

YES: ☐x   NO: ☐

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

As per application form: "member fees only, membership fee is 5€/month."

h. 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: ☐x   NO: ☐

Leadership: https://www.load-ev.de/vorstand/

Contact: Bottom of the page, on the right: https://www.load-ev.de/vorstand/

Goals: https://www.load-ev.de/grundungserklarung/

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

YES: ☐x   NO: ☐

The leadership url was provided in the application form. Most replies to the application form were in url format and thus in keeping with website content.

j. How does the applicant appear to be funded?

Where / what sources did you use to find the answers to this question? As per application form and website, membership fees. https://www.load-ev.de/mitgliedsantrag/

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

YES: ☐   NO: ☐x

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

If 'YES', please reference the sources for this answer: As per application form, the Chair, Jimmy Schulz is involved in other organizations

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

If YES, role(s): As per email exchange with applicant Jimmy Schulz: "As having been member of the german parliament and spokesperson in all relevant committees I was involved in everey aspect of Internet Governance concerning german foreign politics. As Spokesperson of the Internet Enquette Comission I co-authered the position on Internet Governance of the german parliament. I atempted all igfs, eurodigs and german igfs over the last couple of years and hosted, moderated and organized a couple of panels during these meetings. I attempted net
mundial and most of the ICANN meetings over the last couple of years.
LOAD members (eg Linda van Rensen) organized panels for EuriDIG in Berlin."

http://eurodigwiki.org/wiki/Economy_%E2%80%93_How_ICT_can_foster_growth_and_development_in_Euro

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

YES: ☐x   NO: ☐

If YES, include mission/policy statement, and reference the source: https://www.load-ev.de/grundungserklarung/

3)   INTERNET PRESENCE

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

Does the listed URL work?

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

Does the website seem to be regularly updated?

YES: ☐x NO:☐ Last update was in August 2015

Does the website have online discussion forums?

YES: ☐   NO: ☐ x No as per email exchange with applicant: "Discussions mainly take place in our mailinglist discuss@load-ev.de and in our etherpads https://pad.load-ev.de"
"Our social media strategy is subject for improvement and has been
discussed intensivly in our monthly telco last Tuesday:

> If archives are publicly available, do these forums show signs of recent activity (in the last few months)?
> YES: ☐   NO: ☐ see above reply

> If public, are they kept up to date?

YES: ☐x 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: 3540

Additional information:

Jean-Jacques Sahel,Vice-President Europe (GSE): "the president of the applying organisation is Jimmy Schulz, an active and respected member of ALAC.

Previously a member of the German Federal Parliament, Jimmy is dedicated to ICANN's activities, and has already supported several ICANN initiatives, for example recently a session in Berlin at the German IGF on ICANN and Civil Society.

It would seem a good thing for him to bring an organisation to the ALSs, on the basis of his dynamism and commitment."

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

YES: ☐x NO: ☐

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

Jimmy Schulz is a EURALO member.

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

The ICANN itself, IANA transition, Accountability, the future of whois, free and open Internet, who owns the Internet, and all the other questions araised here: https://www.load-ev.de/grundungserklarung/

- 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: ☐x   NO: ☐

  Additional information if any:

"At the moment we are preparing a couple of events:http://www.fsamuenchen.de
and a couple of cryptoparties all over germany eg 2015-11-30 in Bonn and 2015-12-01 in Aachen. These cryptoparties are adressing students and normally attract 80-120 people. A panel about IANA transition is planed for 32c3 congress in December in Hamburg.

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

ACTIVE: ☐ x INACTIVE: ☐