

Application for "At-Large Structure" (ALS) Designation



Applications should be submitted electronically to staff@atlarge.icann.org. Please address any questions about the applications process to this address.

The form can be downloaded from <http://www.atlarge.icann.org/files/atlarge/als-application-form-en.doc>

Organisation Contact information

1. Organisation's Name:

Internet Society Disability and Special Needs Chapter_

2. Organisation's email address:

mburks952@att.net or mburks952@gmail.com, or icdri@icdri.org

3. Organisation's phone number (include country/city codes):

USA 919 349 6661

4. Organisation's address (location and postal address, if different):

4312 Birchlake CT

Alexandria, VA 22309

5. Organisation's website (URL) (if available):

<http://isocdisab.org/>

Primary and Secondary Contact for Organisation:

If accredited, the primary contact will be assumed to be that person who will cast any votes required, with the secondary person being the alternate – though your Organisation may at any time change its voting and alternate representatives.

6. Primary contact:

a. Name: Michael Burks

b. Email address: mburks952@att.net or mburks952@gmail.com

c. Telephone: 919 349 6661

7. Secondary Contact:

a. Name: Mark Urban

b. Email address:

fka2@cdc.gov

c. Telephone:

Office: +1 (404) 718-6901

Description

1. Structure and Governance:

- a. Is your Organisation constituted so that individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the Geographic Region in which your Organisation is based control your Organisation?**

Indicate Yes or No: __No

- b. Please explain the answer above in sufficient detail so that a person not familiar with your Organisation would be able to understand the reasons for your answer, and attach or reference the URLs where any statutes or operating principles or other supporting information related to this question can be found:**

We are a global organization

<http://isocdisab.org/>

- c. Is your organization formally incorporated or organized under a national legal jurisdiction?**

No: Not that I know.

- d. Describe your Organisation's structure (e.g. governing and decision-making bodies and processes):**

- e. Does your organization have written bylaws or other constitutional instruments?**

No: No we abide by the ISOC rules

f. **Explain the eligibility requirements (if any) for your Organisation's constituents/membership (if you provide a written application for admission as a member, you may attach a copy):**
They join through ISOC processes.

g. **In what language/s does your Organisation conduct its business?**
English

2. About Your Members

a. **Do you have individual members with the ability to vote in or otherwise control the management of the organization?**

Yes as per ISOC rules

b. **Do you have organisations as all or part of your membership?**

No

c. **Do you have governmental bodies, or quasi-governmental bodies, as members of your organisation?**

No

d. **Describe the general membership – are they predominately of one (or more) professional background or interest group? (e.g. journalists, online rights activists, consumer organizations, individual consumers, etc.):**

People with disabilities on a worldwide scale.

e. **Describe how your Organisation keeps its constituents/membership informed about, and enables them to participate in, decisions regarding issues of interest:**

Through email and web postings when necessary.

- f. **Approximately how many members, of each type of membership class if you have more than one, do you have?**

General membership is about 250.

3. **Provide support for the statement that your Organisation is self-supporting (by answering "yes" you confirm that it will not rely on ICANN for funding):**

Yes

4. **What is the primary source, or sources, of funding for your Organisation? (if unfunded/entirely voluntary simply indicate "N/A"):**

Our officers pay the few bills we have.

5. **Do you receive any funding from government agencies or for-profit entities? If so, please describe below and describe their involvement in the activities of the organization (if they so participate):**

No

6. **Does your Organisation commit to supporting its individual constituents'/membership's informed participation in ICANN?**

Indicate Yes or No: Yes

6. **Does your Organisation post on the Internet publicly-accessible, current information about your Organisation's goals, structure, description of constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s) (if this information currently is available, provide URLs)?**

Yes

7. **Provide information on your Organisation's leadership (leaders' names, positions, emails):**

Michael Burks - Chairman, mburks952@gmail.com

Mark Urban - Vice Chairman , fka2@cdc.gov

Objectives

1. **Please describe your Organisation's mission and purpose (please attach any mission or policy statement for your Organisation, if in writing, or provide a URL, if posted):**

To make the Internet accessible to all.

2. **What ICANN-related issues currently are of interest to your Organisation's constituents/membership:**

Universal Access to the Internet

3. **If your Organisation is accredited, will it commit to participating actively in the Regional At-Large Organisation (RALO) for the region in which your Organisation is based?**

Yes

4. **If your Organisation is accredited, does it or will it agree to adhere to the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the other ALSes in your Geographic Region and ICANN, as if it were an original signer of that document?**

Yes

The texts of the MoUs can be found at:

<https://community.icann.org/display/atlarge/Reference+Texts>

Signature

Include the name, and title, if applicable, of the individual who is authorized by your Organisation to sign this application and commit your Organisation to comply with ALS criteria.

Signature: *Michael R Burks*

Name: Michael R Burks

Date: January 28, 2014

Title: Chairman