ICANN Public Meetings

Consolidated Meetings Strategy

for

2014 – 2015 – 2016

Goals:

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- *Adopt a three-year strategy for ICANN Meetings in 2014, 2015 and 2016*
  - *Select facilities that best meet community requirements*
    - *Ease and cost of air travel*
    - *Cost of hotel rooms for delegates*
    - *Proximity of hotels to meeting venue*
    - *Enough conference space for everyone who wants to attend*

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Goals:

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- *Adopt a three-year strategy for ICANN Meetings in 2014, 2015 and 2016 (cont'd)*
  - *Select facilities that best meet ICANN requirements*
    - *Scalable - Ability to expand in the number of participants and meeting sessions*
    - *Cost effective*

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Goals:

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- *Develop new strategy for ICANN Meetings and conferences for 2017 and beyond*
  - *Establish community working group*
    - *Evaluate the content, type, number and duration of future meetings*
    - *Develop location selection strategy*

Current Process for Selecting ICANN Meeting Locations:

- *Geographic regional rotation*
- *Request hosting proposals from organizations in the geography*
- *Request proposals from anyone to host/sponsor the meeting in the specific geography*
- *ICANN-identified location within the geography*

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Issues with Current Process:

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- *As ICANN Meetings have increased in size and scope, fewer facilities are capable of hosting an ICANN Meeting.*

- *ICANN Meetings have already been held in more than 40 different cities. It is becoming increasingly difficult to identify new hosts, and new host cities with the appropriate facilities.*

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Consolidated Meetings - Location Selection Criteria:

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- *Venue must meet most ICANN meeting requirements, and allow for the ability to grow in the number of delegates and the number of meeting rooms since facilities must be booked long before they can be determined.*

- *Safe & secure environment*

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Location Selection Criteria (cont'd):

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- *Good international airline routes/access*

- *Reasonable airfare*

- *Reasonable visa requirements*

- *Convention center with adjacent anchor hotel(s) or hotel with large meeting facilities*

- *Access to convenient and affordable public transportation*

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Location Selection Criteria (cont'd):

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- *Good selection of additional hotels within walking distance for all delegates, at varying price points*

- *Fully accessible for people with disabilities*

- *Adequate Internet infrastructure*

- *Reasonable expense for the ICANN community, and ICANN*

Proposal:

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- *Hold the April 2013 Meeting in Beijing, China*

- *Hold the July 2013 Meeting in Durban, South Africa*

- *Hold the November 2013 Meeting in Latin America*

- *Hold the first Meeting of the year for 2014, 2015 and 2016 in Asia Pacific*

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Proposal (cont'd):

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- *Hold the second Meeting of the year for 2014, 2015 and 2016 in Europe*

- *Rotate the third Meeting of the year through:*
  - *North America - 2014*
  - *Africa - 2015*
  - *Latin America/Caribbean - 2016*

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Meeting Line-up:

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No. 46	07-12 Apr 2013	Beijing, China
No. 47	14-19 Jul 2013	Durban, South Africa
No. 48	17-22 Nov 2013	Latin America/Caribbean
No. 49	23-28 Mar 2014	Asia Pacific
No. 50	22-27 Jun 2014	Europe
No. 51	12-17 Oct 2014	North America
No. 52	08-13 Feb 2015	Asia Pacific
No. 53	21-26 Jun 2015	Europe
No. 54	18-23 Oct 2015	Africa
No. 55	28 Feb-4 Mar 2016	Asia Pacific
No. 56	19-24 Jun 2016	Europe
No. 57	30 Oct-04 Nov 2016	Latin America/Caribbean

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Advantages of Proposal:

- *Ability to select the best facilities for conducting an ICANN Meeting.*

- *Ability to negotiate multi-year contracts with hotels, meeting facilities, audio-visual providers, etc.*

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Questions