What kind of groups can register as At-Large Structures?

Any group that supports individuals' ability to share their views on ICANN issues, and meets the few simple criteria, can register to be an At-Large Structure. Types of groups that have registered (or expressed interest in registering) as At-Large Structures include:

- Professional societies (engineers, attorneys, etc.)
- Academic & research organisations
- Community networking groups
- Consumer advocacy groups
- Internet society chapters
- Computer user organisations
- Internet civil society groups

At-Large iCSF Fellows at ICANN's 5th Annual Meeting in Tunis, 2003.

More Information

MORE INFORMATION about participation in ICANN decisions critical to the Internet's end users is available by contacting ICANN's At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC). ICANN created the ALAC in 2003 to help with At-Large organising and to work with user groups worldwide in advising ICANN on pending issues of interest to end users. The 15-Member Committee; comprised of three members from each of ICANN's five geographic regions (Africa, Asia/Pacific, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America), welcomes inquiries in English, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese and Spanish via email to: **committee@alac.icann.org.**

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ICANN At-Large

"Advancing the interests of the world's individual Internet users in ICANN."

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If a group you are involved with wants to

INFLUENCE DECISIONS THAT SHAPE THE INTERNET,

register as an "At-Large Structure" and participate in ICANN decisions critical to the Internet's end users. At-Large Structure registration is free, easy, and done via email. Groups interested in participating in ICANN At-Large are encouraged to send an email to:

als@alac.icann.org or apply online at:

http://alac.icann.org/applications.

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ICANN WELCOMES PARTICIPATION!

At-Large supports global participation in ICANN by individual Internet users who want to be involved in issues that affect people's use of the Internet's Domain Name System (DNS).

ICANN At-Large provides crucial contributions to ICANN's work, including guidance on how Internationalised Domain Names ("local language" domain names or IDN's) are implemented, and how additional new Top-Level Domains (.info, .name, .museum, etc.) are introduced. ICANN's At-large community is also a leading voice for the world's Internet users on Internet governance related issues, and helps raise awareness of key Internet resource issues that affect ICT development.

Groups throughout the world that deal with individual Internet users' interests are encouraged to register and participate in ICANN by submitting a simple online application form (available at http://alac.icann.org). Groups that meet the minimum requirements will be certified as an "At-Large Structure".

Why register as an At-Large Structure?

At-Large Structures are wholly independent from ICANN. Registration simply recognises that these groups meet ICANN's criteria for involving individual Internet users at the local or issue level in ICANN activities, and for promoting individuals' understanding of and participation in ICANN.

Numerous user groups from every region around the globe are registered as At-Large Structures. Still, many more organisations are needed to work with ICANN At-Large to advance the interests of individual Internet users worldwide.

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ICANN *is Listening.*

By being designated an At-Large Structure, your group gets:

- A recognised role in forming the policies that affect how individuals use the Internet;

- Quick and easy access to first-hand information on what's happening in ICANN and why it matters to end-users;

- Opportunities to educate your members on ICANN's work and Internet developments;

- Participation in building your region's At-Large organisation (RALO), and opportunities to network with other groups in your country and region as At-Large grows;

- Representation in ICANN at the regional and international level, plus your group's members will be eligible to serve on important regional and international decision-making bodies in ICANN;

- A free web page and other Internet-based mechanisms to support your group's work;

- Opportunities for grant funding to support some of your group's activities.

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