

EMERGING FUTURES NETWORK

<http://emergingfutures.net>

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

Contact information

1. Organization's Name:
Youth Helping Youth Inc dba: Emerging Futures Network
2. Organization's email address:
Messages to the Board may be sent care of the President, Ted Ernst at ted@emergingfutures.net
3. Organization's phone number (include country/city codes): 775.753.8572
4. Organization's address (location and postal address, if different):
165 W Oak St., Elko, Nevada 89801
5. Organization's website (URL) (if available): <http://www.emergingfutures.net>
6. Organization's contact for ALS application (email, phone, address):

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Description

1. Is your organization constituted so that participation by individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the Geographic Region in which your organization is based will predominate in your organization's operation?

Yes.

2. Describe your organization's constituents/membership (number, citizenship/location, defining characteristic - e.g. profession for professional societies).

Our organizational membership is open to anyone that subscribes to our vision statement and who is willing to participate and self-identify as a member. Our vision is that we are "doing together what we cannot do alone". Our work is that of network weaving and opening space for bringing forth a sustainable way of life. The bulk of our members reside in the US (more than 140) and share no other defining

characteristic.

3. Explain the eligibility requirements (if any) for your organization's constituents/membership (if you provide a written application for admission as a member, you may attach a copy):

Open to anyone. Anyone with internet access can subscribe to the Emerging Futures Network e-lists on line at:[http:// www.emergingfutures.net](http://www.emergingfutures.net)

Membership is a matter of self-identification and participation in the network via email and discussion forums, or face to face events.

4. In what language/s does your organization conduct its business?

English

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

Yes. With the exception of basic book keeping, to date, all functions of our organization have been carried out by volunteers.

6. Describe your organization's structure (e.g. governing and decision-making bodies and processes):

The corporation is governed by a Council of Trustees, (currently 7) whose role is to facilitate the work of member nodes and guilds through development of policies, frameworks and protocols for the network, and in coordinating alignment between nodes and fostering connections within the network and to other organizations or resources suitable to the growth and support of the nodes.

The corporation has a Network of Advisors (currently about 18) advise and collaborate in the formation of nodes, where members work together on projects of concern to them. As for example the Technology and Open Source Node, which is concerned, among other things with questions of Internet and Media Policy.

General membership (more than 140 as of 2007) work together in smaller collaborative groups (called Nodes) with self-defined purposes under the general mission/vision.

7. Does your organization commit to supporting its individual constituents'/membership's informed participation in ICANN?

Yes

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

Through several mailing lists (to subscribe visit www.emergingfutures.net), posts to our website and other wiki's, discussion forums and blogs used by members throughout the network.

9. Does your organization post on the Internet publicly-accessible, current how constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s) (if this information currently is available, provide URLs)?

Yes. Emerging Futures Network - <http://www.emergingfutures.net/>

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- Doing together what we can not do alone.

10. Provide information on your organization's leadership (leaders' names, positions, emails):

Board of Directors (aka: Council of Trustees)

President: Ted Ernst

ted@chicagohumanist.org

Secretary: David Braden

d-braden@comcast.net

Treasurer: Julie Caldwell

motivate@frontiernet.net

Directors at Large:

Laure Dillon

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Objectives

1. What is your organization's primary goal or mission (please attach any mission or policy statement for your organization, if in writing, or provide a URL, if posted):

Emerging Futures Network - Mission statement: <http://www.emergingfutures.net/about-us/mission/>

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

We are interested in the creation and governance of new and existing TLDs. We are particularly interested in supporting the needs of non-profits and community organizations and their ability to establish identities in domain names, and to be able to maintain such identities without encroachment of commercial interests with greater resources.

3. If formed, will your organization commit to assisting the Regional At-Large Organization (RALO) for the region in which your organization is based in performing its function?

Yes.

Signature

Gerald Gleason, Trustee, Emerging Futures Network on behalf of the Board of Directors (i.e. Council of Trustees) of the EFN.