

Letter of Motivation
Accountability and Transparency Review Team 2
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I volunteer to serve on the Accountability and Transparency Review Team 2 called for by the Affirmation of Commitments.

The ATRT's task is crucial: ensuring accountability, transparency and the interests of the users is a key element for ICANN's long-term future. Through its reviews, the Affirmation of Commitments provides a very adequate framework to continuously improve the multi-stakeholder bottom-up model ICANN is based upon.

I wish to get involved in this improvement process of ICANN, at a time when the organization is faced with crucial challenges, which became clear in recent international debates.

Internationalization is still a challenge for ICANN, and geographical diversity of essential bodies like the ATRT is an important element to keep progressing in that direction.

The three-year periodicity of the reviews ensures a continuous long-term improvement of ICANN's model and is therefore a key component of the AoC. As a consequence, I think that in order for the periodic review process to reach full efficiency, each new team should be composed in part of members having served on the preceding one.

Having had the honor to serve on ATRT1, I believe that serving on ATRT2 would allow me to capitalize on my experience to contribute to the work of the second team.

Finally, I would like to mention that the involvement of an ISPCP member in this team is strategically important for ICANN and for our community given the challenges we have to face after the WCIT.

Through its timing, this new review will contribute to the objectives recently set for the organization: affirmation of purpose, operations excellence, internationalization, multi stakeholder model evolution.

In term of skills, working on the review team requires a good background on ICANN: where it comes from, how it works, why it works this way, and how it can do better. I have been involved in ICANN since its outset. France Telecom/Orange is a member of the ISPCP constituency and I have represented the company since the creation of the constituency, focusing on policy and institutional issues. My participation in ATRT1 helped me gain a broader view of the wide spectrum of issues facing ICANN.

I have a thorough knowledge of the Internet ecosystem: I have been deeply involved in Internet-related projects since 1994, at INRIA (French National Research Institute in Information Technology) and in my subsequent appointments at the French Ministry of Industry, at the Ministry of Telecommunications where I served as adviser to the Minister, and

at France Telecom. My technical background gives me a good understanding of the issues related to the evolution of the naming and addressing system, and of the Internet in general.

Through my professional experience I have acquired the ability to handle a variety of issues while always bearing in mind their strategic and international dimensions. I have also learned to understand positions expressed by various stakeholders of different cultural backgrounds and helped find a balanced view for the global benefit of the community.

The AoC is a very crucial step in the history of ICANN. I am committed to devoting my time and energy to the review process.

Thank you for your consideration. I am at your disposal should you require further information

Best regards,

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