

## Draft ICANN FY25 Plans Clarifying Questions Report

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**Clarifying Questions Responses Due:** **29 January 2024**

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### Section I: General Overview

ICANN organization (ICANN org) prepared and published the Draft ICANN FY25-29 Operating and Financial Plan and the Draft ICANN FY25 Operating Plan and Budget for public comment on 12 December 2023. The Public Comment period ends on 12 February 2024.

As noted on the [Public Comment page](#), community members seeking clarification on any details in the Draft ICANN FY25-29 Operating and Financial Plan and/or Draft ICANN FY25 Operating Plan and Budget were asked to submit questions to [planning@icann.org](mailto:planning@icann.org) by 16 January 2024. This report contains the responses to these questions and is being published approximately two weeks before this Public Comment period ends.

The purpose of the clarifying questions process is to permit community members to ask questions about details of the plans, the responses to which are meant to help them prepare for public comments, if they choose to submit comments. Should any of the clarifying questions received seem to provide either support or lack of support for any element of the plans, ICANN org will then suggest that the submitter of the question submit such a comment as part of the Public Comment process.

This document provides the clarifying questions submitted to ICANN org and the responses to these questions.

## Draft FY25 Plans Clarifying Questions and Responses

#	Question / Observation	Contributor	Response
1	<p><a href="#">Budget document</a> (page 24)</p> <p>Only total amounts are displayed on the "Other Community Events and Costs" chart on 4.4.4 "Constituent Travel" (page 24).</p> <p>It is vague that those amounts are for travel support or the cost of holding relevant meetings/workshops.</p>	<p>Irina Danelia, submitted on behalf of the ccNSO SOPC</p>	<p>As stated in section 4.4.1 Constituent Travel of the <a href="#">Budget document</a>, the amounts listed in the chart "Constituent Travel by Community Group" are for travel support provided for the three Public Meetings. The totals include the cost of each Supporting Organization (SO) and Advisory Committee (AC) member's airfare, and hotel.</p> <p>The chart "Other Community Events &amp; Costs" displays total amounts for other community events that are smaller meetings where ICANN provides travel support; the totals are for airfare and hotel costs. The other costs included in the chart is the per-diem, which estimates the amount ICANN anticipates providing to funded travelers for the three Public Meetings in FY25.</p>
2	<p>Many SOs/ACs rely upon the ABR to ensure and enable participation in ICANN's multistakeholder processes. What are the process, timelines, formalities and contact for ICANN community groups to submit resource requests as part of the OP&amp;B process, as is suggested in the 8 November announcement?</p>	<p>Elizabeth Bacon, submitted on behalf of RySG</p>	<p>Since the Additional Budget Request process has come to an end for this current planning cycle, ICANN encourages community groups to use the annual Operating Plan and Budget process (see below) for all resource requests going forward. Streamlining resource requests from the ICANN community into a single process is expected to result in more efficiencies.</p> <p>For the FY25 ICANN Operating Plan and Budget, ICANN community groups may submit resource requests as part of their <a href="#">submissions to the Public Comment</a> proceeding on the Draft ICANN FY25 Plans, which closes at 23:59 UTC on Monday, 12 February 2024. ICANN will review all resource requests from the community. ICANN community groups may contact <a href="mailto:planning@icann.org">planning@icann.org</a> with any questions before the deadline.</p>