

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



Applications should be submitted electronically to staff@atlarge.icann.org. Please address any questions about the applications process to this address.

The form can be downloaded from <http://www.atlarge.icann.org/files/atlarge/als-application-form-en.doc>

Organisation Contact information

1. Organisation's Name:

Manitoba E-Association Inc

2. Organisation's email address: info@mb.e-association.ca

3. Organisation's phone number (include country/city codes):

1-204-771-0200

4. Organisation's address (location and postal address, if different):

210-1600 Kenaston Boulevard, Suite #318

Winnipeg, Manitoba R3P 0Y4

Canada

Manitoba E-Association is a virtual office, each of our team member work from their homes. (<http://www.itworldcanada.com/article/virtual-workplace-a-model-for-innovative-business/8009>)

5. Organisation's website (URL) (if available):

<http://mb.e-association.ca/>

Primary and Secondary Contact for Organisation:

If accredited, the primary contact will be assumed to be that person who will cast any votes required, with the secondary person being the alternate – though your Organisation may at any time change its voting and alternate representatives.

6. Primary contact:

a. Name: Anthony Niiganii

b. Email address: aniiganii@mb.e-association.ca

c. Telephone: 1-204-771-0200

7. Secondary Contact:

- a. Name: Clarice Leader
- b. Email address: cleader@mb.e-association.ca
- c. Telephone: 1-204-781-6937

Description

1. Structure and Governance:

- a. Is your Organisation constituted so that individual Internet users who are citizens or residents of countries within the Geographic Region in which your Organisation is based control your Organisation?

Indicate Yes or No: Yes

- b. Please explain the answer above in sufficient detail so that a person not familiar with your Organisation would be able to understand the reasons for your answer, and attach or reference the URLs where any statutes or operating principles or other supporting information related to this question can be found:

According to the bylaws of the corporation any person can become a member of the Manitoba E-Association Inc.; under two classifications - members and associate members.

- c. Is your organization formally incorporated or organized under a national legal jurisdiction?

Indicate Yes or No: YES

IF YES: Please describe what legal recognition it has and indicate the place of legal incorporation or registration

Manitoba E-Association is a not-for-profit organization, which was formed May 2004, is incorporated under the Corporations Act of the Province of Manitoba.

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

Manitoba E-Association is govern by a policy board structure, and a majority of the corporation's activities are carried out through the President and the Executive Director. .The board utilizes the majority rule where each eligible voting members is allowed one vote, and uses the resolution written process to document, tract and review current and past decisions.

- e. Does your organization have written bylaws or other constitutional instruments?

Indicate Yes or No: YES

IF YES: Please provide a copy along with your application (in English if available)



Manitoba E-Association By-Laws -

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

Classes of Membership There shall be two (2) classes of membership in the Corporation, namely, membership and associate membership:

(a) Members shall hold all rights set out herein and shall be entitled to one vote per member at all meetings of members of the Corporation.

(b) In addition to such rights as may be granted to it by the board of directors, associate members shall not be entitled to vote at, but shall be entitled to notice of, and to attend the Corporation's annual general meetings

Qualification for Membership – The board of directors may from time to time determine the classes of persons, firms, organizations or corporations eligible for membership in the Corporation.

- g. In what language/s does your Organisation conduct its business?
English, and French when only required by Federal Government Programming

2. About Your Members

- a. Do you have individual members with the ability to vote in or otherwise control the management of the organization?

Indicate Yes or No: **YES**

IF NO: Describe what role individuals have in the management and work of the organization.

- b. Do you have organisations as all or part of your membership?

Indicate Yes or No: **YES**

IF YES: Describe whether they are profit-making, non-profit-making, a mixture of both, and/or what proportion of the total membership each type of private sector organization is. Please also describe what the nature of the organizational members is: For example, are they all of a similar type or interested in a similar activity or policy area?

Manitoba E-Association maintains relationships with all the former CAP (Community Access Program) centres, each of which is a not-for-profit organization or library, in Manitoba. These CAP

centres are associate members of Manitoba E-Association. Manitoba E-Association also regularly collaborates with these CAP centres to deliver Industry Canada's Youth Internship Program (YIP), formerly the CAP-YI, to over 43 youth each year.

- c. Do you have governmental bodies, or quasi-governmental bodies, as members of your organisation?

Indicate Yes or No: No

IF YES: Please describe their nature and role in the decision-making and work of your organization, and the proportion of the total membership made up of these types of organization.

- d. Describe the general membership – are they predominately of one (or more) professional background or interest group? (e.g. journalists, online rights activists, consumer organizations, individual consumers, etc.):

The general membership is primarily made up of a group of professionals with strong ICT backgrounds and expertise, and not-for-profit community service organizations, including libraries that were part of Industry Canada's former CAP (Community Access Program) as associate members.

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

Utilizing internet tools such as email, website, social media and instant messaging to keep connected to community. We use a variety of feedback gathering tools such as online and physical survey forms, workshop feedback forms, success story submissions, including individual and organizational partnership project reporting processes.

- f. Approximately how many members, of each type of membership class if you have more than one, do you have?

Members: 10 (currently active)
Associate Members: 20 (partnering community organizations)

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

Indicate Yes or No: YES

4. What is the primary source, or sources, of funding for your Organisation? (if unfunded/entirely voluntary simply indicate "N/A"):

Federal and Provincial funding agencies, project and partnership funding, workshop participant registrations, grant application submissions and sponsorship requests, and In-kind from community partners.

5. Do you receive any funding from government agencies or for-profit entities? If so, please describe below and describe their involvement in the activities of the organization (if they so participate):

Funding from government agencies is delivered through contribution agreements with Manitoba E-Association, collaborating as a delivery mechanism for specific or targeted programming in the Manitoba region. Manitoba E-Association delivers the projects as outline within the Contribution agreement and provides regular evaluation and project reporting to funding agencies, as requested in the contribution.

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

Indicate Yes or No: YES

6. Does your Organisation post on the Internet publicly-accessible, current information about your Organisation's goals, structure, description of constituent group(s)/membership, working mechanisms, leadership, and contact(s) (if this information currently is available, provide URLs)?

Indicate Yes or No: YES

http://mb.e-association.ca/cim/301C361_562T30382.dhtm

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

Clarice Leader, President, cleader@mb.e-association.ca

Dany Robidoux, Chair, drobidoux@cdem.com

Alvin Keppler, Treasurer, alvin@cathedral.mb.ca

Two positions recently became vacant and in the process of selecting qualified candidates.

Objectives

1. Please describe your Organisation's mission and purpose (please attach any mission or policy statement for your Organisation, if in writing, or provide a URL, if posted):

The goal and objective of Manitoba E-Association is to facilitate the adoption and utilization of innovative e-solutions by collaborating with organizations and/or communities to build e-capacity.

<http://mb.e-association.ca/cim/301.dhtm>

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

Manitoba E-Association is interested in bringing public participation

from our communities to ICANN and the multistakeholder model, including the sharing of information and resources with our youth interns, partnering organizations, communities and agencies around internet governance and stewardship of the eco-system. Some current, and potentially new, partners may be interested in pursuing gTLD and Manitoba E-Association will assist wherever possible by providing support and a direct connection to ICANN's gTLD program and staff.

3. If your Organisation is accredited, will it commit to participating actively in the Regional At-Large Organisation (RALO) for the region in which your Organisation is based?

Indicate Yes or No: Yes

4. If your Organisation is accredited, does it or will it agree to adhere to the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the other ALSes in your Geographic Region and ICANN, as if it were an original signer of that document?

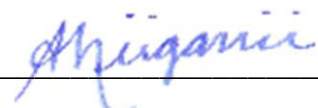
Indicate Yes or No: YES

The texts of the MoUs can be found at:

<https://community.icann.org/display/atlarge/Reference+Texts>

Signature

Include the name, and title, if applicable, of the individual who is authorized by your Organisation to sign this application and commit your Organisation to comply with ALS criteria.

Signature: 

Name: Anthony Niiganii

Date: April 11, 2014

Title: Executive Director