Application for ICANN80 CROP Trip

Name: Emmanuel Adewale Adedokun

Departure/Arrival City: Abuja

Proposed Travel Dates: 9th -13th June 2024

Statement of Motivation

My name is Emmanuel Adedokun, I attended the ICANN79 as one of the ICANN79 Fellows. It was my first physical ICANN meeting, though I previously attended a couple of ICANN meetings virtually.

I represent the NG Peering and Interconnection Forum on NPOC. My primary job is as a faculty member at the Ahmadu Bello University which also put me in a good position as an NCUC members representing the academia.

My attendance at the ICANN 79 was an eye opener and I realized that I have a lot to offer especially in the area of policy making both as an academic and for the not for profit organisations.

The ICANN80 is a policy meeting and my attendance with deepen my understanding of the ICANN community policy making processes which will further empower me to actively contribute to policy analysis, reviews and discussions and participate in other activities like proposal and position paper write-ups. After ICANN79, I have learnt my voice to the draft NCSG Comments on the Application Support Programme Handbook. I am also working to provide a platform for the UASG to present a webinar to the Academic community on Universal acceptance project in my region.

Before now, I have served on the Board of AFRINIC in the African region with active policy contributions at several PDP meetings.

During ICANN 80, I intend to further engage with members of the NCSG to learn more areas of relevance of my experience and learn other areas of possible involvement as get more integrated into the ICANN community. I also intend to expand collaborations with the UASG for more engagements especially within the academia which as a lot to do as efforts on integration into the tertiary curricular is ongoing.

Beyond ICANN 80, I am very committed to contribute significant time to understanding policy discussions and actively contributing to them while I strengthen collaborations with other working groups like UASG and Internet Governance working group to achieve their charters.

I am based in Zaria, Kaduna state Nigeria and will be flying from Abuja (ABV) to Kigali. My proposed travel dates are 9th and 13th of June 2024. I do not require a visa to Rwanda.