Statement of Interest (SOI) - Strengthening Communities/Improving Lives and Livelihoods (SCILLS) program

Organization Information

- 1. Organization Name:*
- 2. Organization Country: *
- 3. Primary Contact: *
- 4. Signatory Contact: *
- 5. Additional Contact: *

If after saving your Application you need to change your organization's country (location), you may do so by editing that information in your Organization record in the grantee portal.

- 6. Does your organization have a bank account in the organization's name, and can it receive funds from a foundation based in the United States? *
 - Yes
 - No

In order to receive funds from the Internet Society Foundation, an organization or their fiscal sponsor must have a bank account registered in their legal name. For additional guidance, please consult the grantee eligibility information on our website.

- 7. Is the proposed project sponsored by a Fiscal Sponsor or submitted by a Fiscal Sponsor on behalf of a Sponsored Organization? *
 - My organization is not acting as a Fiscal Sponsor for the proposed project, nor submitting an application for a project that will be sponsored by a Fiscal Sponsor
 - My organization is a Fiscal Sponsor submitting this application on behalf of a Sponsored Organization
 - My organization is a Sponsored Organization and the proposed project will be sponsored by a Fiscal Sponsor

If you are a Fiscal Sponsor:

Please provide the following information about the Sponsored Organization: Address, website, name of Primary Contact, email, and phone number if available.

Please note: The Sponsored Organization must also register in Fluxx. Please ask them to do this prior to submitting this application if at all possible.

Organization Name	
Street Address	
City	
State	
Country	
Tax ID / EIN (if applicable)	
Primary Contact First/Given Name	
Primary Contact Last/Family Name	
Primary Contact Phone	
Primary Contact Email	

Contact Information

8. Which of these statements accurately describes your organization? *

- This is a 501c3 nonprofit organization (charitable organization based in the USA)
- The organization has had Equivalency Determination (ED) status currently or in the past (foreign equivalent to a USA-based nonprofit)
- The organization operates exclusively for charitable purposes (i.e., as a charitable nongovernmental organization) but has not yet gone through the ED process
- None of the above

Please note that if your organization is not deemed equivalent to a charitable nonprofit, you will become ineligible for funding. Details on how to demonstrate eligibility can be found <u>here</u>.

9. Please attach a copy of your organization's governing document (such as articles of incorporation, organizational charter, by-laws, or other). If you have multiple governing documents, please upload the one that most clearly and comprehensively outlines the organization's purpose and activities. This document is required.

[Document Upload button for Governing Documents - Required*]

10. In addition, you may choose to upload your organization's current financial statement and/or the list of your board of governing directors if you wish (<u>These documents are</u> <u>optional</u> at the Statement of Interest stage but will be required if you are selected to complete a Full Application.).

[Document Upload for:

- Organization's most current financial statement
- List of board of directors / governing officers]

You may upload other documents below by clicking on the + button.

As a supporting organization of the Internet Society (ISOC), the Internet Society Foundation must operate exclusively for the benefit of ISOC and follow special rules under U.S. tax laws. We make grants only to organizations whose purpose and activities (meaning the vision, mission, articles of incorporation/by-laws, core focus areas, and programming) closely relate with the purpose and activities of ISOC. For information on how to answer the brief alignment questions below please see our <u>website</u>.

- 11. Please describe how your organization's core work is Internet-related. *
- 12. Which of the following ISOC purposes and activities strongly aligns with your own? Please choose as many as apply. *
 - Facilitate or support the technical evolution of the Internet as a research and education infrastructure.

- Stimulate the community in the evolution of the Internet or educate them in its use and application.
- Promote educational applications of the Internet.
- Help to promote open development, evolution or use of the Internet to benefit people.
- Connect unconnected communities and individuals to the Internet.
- Advocate for policy that is consistent with ISOC's view of the Internet.
- Advance the development and application of Internet infrastructure, technologies, or open standards, etc.
- 13. Please describe each of your choices in detail. How can you demonstrate alignment? Please cite specific language from your organization's official governing documents, mission statement, website, and/or other sources that describe your organization's purpose and activities. *

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- 14. Project Title*
- 15. What country will your project focus on? *
 - Brazil
 - Ghana
 - Indonesia
- 16. Project focus area(s) (Select all that apply) *
 - Economic Inclusion
 - Education
- 17. <u>Please</u> attach a high-level project budget for this grant of up to \$250,000 USD over two years (24 months). Note: The budget can be in any format and can be high-level (general cost categories rather than detailed expense line items) at this stage. Budget should be in US Dollars. Selected grantees will implement their projects over the same two-year (24-

month) period. In the 2022 cycle, projects will take place November 2022-October 2024. Please design your project budget for this time period. *

[Document Upload button for Project Budget - Required*]

- 18. What is the need or problem your project seeks to address? *
- **19. What is the role of the Internet specifically in addressing this problem?** Why is leveraging the Internet the optimal solution for this particular problem, versus other possible solutions or strategies? *****
- 20. Describe your project, including all of the following components: *
 - Why? (Project goals and objectives)
 - What? (Summary of proposed main activities or milestones)
 - Who? (Who will execute? Who will partner? Who specifically will benefit?)
 - Where? (What geography and /or in what community(ies) will the project take place?)
 - How? (At a high level, what will success look like?)
- 21. How is your organization well positioned to do this work (such as your organization's experience managing grants, your role in the ecosystem, expertise with similar projects, relationships and past work in the community, skills of staff or partners, or other strengths and capacities)? *
- 22. **Optional:** You may choose to attach an additional document that you feel would be helpful, such as a publication, project evaluation/analysis, project example, or report illustrating work relevant to the SCILLS program.

[Document Upload button for Application Documents]

23. How did you hear about this funding opportunity? *

- Internet Society Foundation listserv
- Internet Society Foundation social media channel
- Word of mouth
- A current/former Internet Society Foundation grantee
- Other

If Other, Please specify.