

Research Grant Program

Example Application

Note: This is not an application form. This document is meant to provide the application questions for reference purposes only. All applications must be submitted through the Internet Society Foundation's grants management platform, [Fluxx](#). If your organization is not already registered, you will need to register. It may take 1-2 business days for your registration to be complete so plan ahead. Applications sent by email will not be accepted.

- Are you applying as an independent applicant or on behalf of an organization?
 - Independent Applicant (if you select this choice, you will be asked to add your name and skip to the "Application Details" section)
 - Organization
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Organization Information

- Organization:
- Primary Contact:
- Signatory Contact:
- Additional Contact:
 - *Your application should have at least two different points of contact (Primary Contact and Additional Contact). The Signatory will receive any legal documents to sign on behalf of your organization.*
- 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.*



- Please demonstrate your organization's capacity to manage a grant award up to the requested amount in the proposed timeframe:*
 - *Share examples of previous grants awarded to your organization. You can provide URLs to award announcements and press releases, a copy of your organization's annual budget that includes funding amounts, or other evidence of experience in and capacity to manage an award of this size.*
- Is the proposed project sponsored by a Fiscal Sponsor or submitted by a Fiscal Sponsor on behalf of a Sponsored Organization?*(Select one answer)
 - 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
 - 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
- Which of these statements accurately describes your organization?*(
 - The organization is a 501c3 nonprofit (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 demonstrate your organization's equivalency to a U.S. 501c3 charitable organization.*
 - *Details on how to demonstrate eligibility can be found [here](#). In addition to demonstrating that you are organized for exclusively charitable purposes, please ensure you describe 1) whether you engage in lobbying; and, 2) how your governing documents address the usage of your organization's assets upon dissolution, and whether your activities benefit private persons or non-charitable organizations. If you are uploading a copy of your governing documents, please indicate the relevant sections that we should refer to.*



- Please describe how most of your organization’s purpose and activities are focused on or related to the Internet.*
 - 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 [website](#).
 - Which of the following ISOC purposes and activities strongly aligns with your organization's purposes and activities?*
- 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.
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Application Details

- Project Title:*
 - Project Budget in \$USD:*
 - Project Start Date:*
 - Project End Date:*
 - What is the region your project is most focused on?*
- Africa
 - Asia Pacific
 - Europe & Central Asia



- Latin America & Caribbean
 - Middle East
 - North America
 - Global
- Which theme does your application fall under?* (Select all that apply)
 - Greening the Internet
 - Inclusive Internet
 - Measuring Meaningful Connectivity
 - Trustworthy Internet
- Project Summary:*
- What is the main research question you hope to test in this project?*
- What is your research project's methodology?*
- How do you plan on making your intended research be applicable for decision-making either by industry or government?*
- Please describe the expected deliverables for this project.*
- Please select the primary focus area for your project. (*You can read more about our focus areas by viewing the definitions of each [here](#):*)
 - Affordable and Reliable Access
 - Community and Partner Mobilization
 - Community-Centered Connectivity
 - Internet Insights and Innovation
 - Online Safety and Safety
 - Open and Trustworthy Internet

Objectives and Indicators

These are the required indicators to measure progress towards your research project's outcomes. Please state the target number for each of the following outputs.

Indicator 1: Dissemination activities share research findings with targeted audiences; examples include presenting at a conference, posting on a website or social media, being



published in a peer-reviewed journal, holding a meeting with a key stakeholder, hosting a workshop or webinar to discuss the findings, etc.

- Indicator 1: Add target number*

Indicator 2: Research products include papers, webinars, blogs, videos, book chapters, etc.

- Indicator 2: Add target number*

Indicator 3: Number of collaborations with academics, industry partners and/or other researchers evidenced by co-creation, resource pooling, or an interdisciplinary approach.

- Indicator 3: Add target number*

Funding Information

- Do you have other funds secured or requested for this project?* (Yes/No)
 - *If Yes - Please explain how much you are receiving/have received and for what purpose.*
- Are you currently receiving or have you in the past received any other funding from the Internet Society or Internet Society Foundation? (Yes/No)
 - *If Yes - Please explain how much you are receiving/have received and for what purpose.*

Additional Information:

- How did you hear about this grant program? (Optional):
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Guidance for uploading documents for your application

Application Documents

Please note that if the documents you are submitting are not in English, ISOC may use a third-party service to translate them. Accuracy cannot be guaranteed. By submitting this application, you are consenting to this practice.

Required:

- Completed project Budget, Workplan, and Equipment Support Form; using the required template.

Organization Documents

Required:

- **Tax Identification Documents:** Please provide organizational tax documents, such as IRS Determination Letter, Form 990, or other documents that demonstrate your non-profit/charitable status.
- **Governing Documents:** such as Articles of Incorporation or Charter documents. If you have multiple governing documents, please upload the one that most clearly and comprehensively outlines the organization's purpose and activities.
- **Financial Documents:** Current organizational budget, as well as the latest audits or national tax returns within the last two years

Recommended:

- **Equivalency Determination:** A certification that your organization is equivalent to a U.S. 501c3 public charity. Include only if you already have one and it is current.



If your official tax identification or governing documents are written in a non-English language and saved in PDF, please submit the certified version in PDF as well as a Word version.

If you encounter any issues or technical difficulties with Fluxx, contact fluxx_help@isocfoundation.org