Statement of Interest Internet Governance Forum Supporting Organization Executive Committee

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I have served in a number of capacities at ICANN since 2011 and am a founding member of the ICANN Global Stakeholder Engagement team. We are responsible for the support and participation of active ICANN community members in Internet policy making processes. Our team is also responsible for outreach and recruitment of volunteers to participate in what is perhaps the Internet's best-known multi stakeholder platform coordinating key Internet resources. I am currently ICANN's Managing Director for Europe, based in Brussels.

I started my career as a U.S. diplomat and became a management consultant in the technology sector before joining ICANN. I have had the good fortune to have lived or worked on every continent. I am eager to deploy skills that I have further honed at ICANN in support of the IGFSA mission.

I organized ICANN's participation at the global IGF for a number of years and have spoken, or coordinated events, at numerous national and regional IGFs as well. I have enjoyed my time serving on the IGFSA Executive Committee over these past years and hope to continue to do so. I believe I have added value in terms of ideas and experience. We still have much work to do to publicize the importance of IGFSA and to raise funds.

It is a crucial time for the IGF to be strategic in navigating geopolitical challenges and showcasing its value. It will require financial and public support, which I hope to help secure as an IGFSA Executive Committee member.

I am passionate about the mission and role of the IGF and NRIs, and eager to remain on the team that supports them in the years ahead. Thank you for your kind consideration.