



Board Finance Committee

Report to the Public Forum and Board

29 March 2007

Lisbon Meeting



Committee Members

- Board Finance Committee
 - Raimundo Beca (Chair)
 - Peter Dengate Thrush
 - Steven Goldstein
 - Alejandro Pisanty
 - Rajasekhar Ramaraj
 - Dave Wodelet

Reforecast of the 2006 – 2007 Budget

- The BFC recommended to the ICANN Board that it approve a reforecast of the 2006-2007 Budget in accordance with the Board Resolution on 7 December 2006, which introduced a new compensation plan without calling for an increase of the total Budget
- In addition, the BFC recommended to the ICANN Board that it approve a reforecast of the 2006-2007 Budget to add an additional \$188,000 for non funded activities
- On 13 March 2007, the ICANN Board approved these two recommendations

Operating Plan Discussion

- The 2007-2008 Operating Plan draft is ready for review by the Community at Lisbon
- The Operating Plan will be updated based on community feedback received through the end of April
- By the end of April, the BFC will recommend to the Board the Scope and the List of Activities to be included in the The Operating Plan
- A proposed budget consistent with an updated Operating Plan will be posted on 17 May 2007, in accordance with the ICANN Bylaws
- The final Operating Plan and budget will be submitted for consultation and approval by the Board at the June ICANN meeting
- The planning calendar for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year will allow for posting of the draft Operating Plan earlier than this year's review

2007-2008 Budget Discussion

- Conforming to standard practices, and to support changes in conditions during the year, the committee agreed that:
 - ICANN should incorporate a contingency amount in the budget plan; and
 - The contingencies should be specifically identified, managed and disbursed in accordance with sound business practices
- The BFC agreed that in 2007-2008, the budget should include separate plans for expenses and capital equipment
 - Separate plans will support better Board and management oversight; and
 - Separate plans will more accurately reflect ICANN's full financial picture to the community