# ICANN Finance open session – Buenos Aires FY15 Operating plan and Budget





October 30th 2013 Call & Adobe room



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## 1. Planning Process Environment

- + ICANN Strategy panels
  - Announced in July 2013,
  - Intended conclusion April 2014
- + ATRT2 working group
  - Expected recommendation on planning process
  - Suggested public comment and Board communication processes
- + Internet Governance activity potentially affecting FY15
  - Follow up of Bali IGF
  - Brazil Internet governance summit



## 2. Guiding Principles

- +Low visibility/predictability into FY15
  - Need for increased flexibility in planning
  - Increase contingency portion of the budget
- +While 5-year strategy is in development...
  - Focus on Operating plan definition and communication for the next 18 months until June 2015

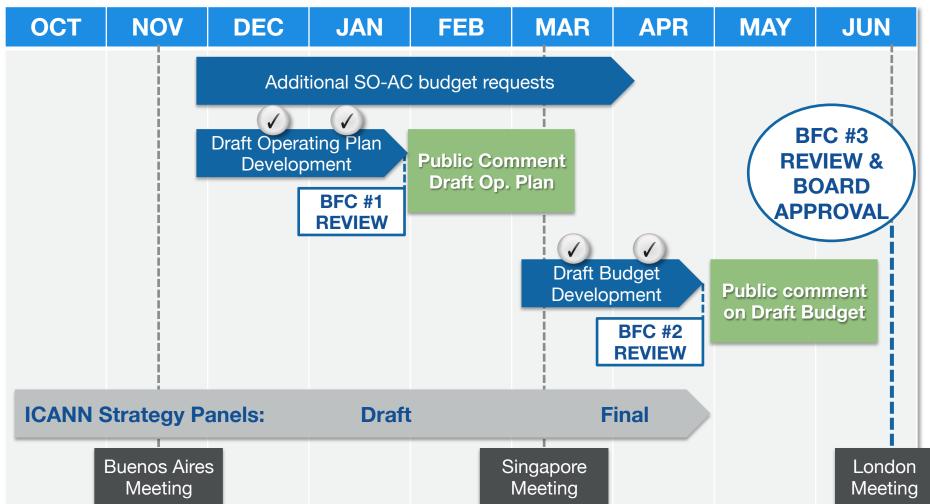


## 3. Target Planning Process



## 4. FY15 Planning Phases and Timeline

2013 2014



<sup>✓</sup> Community and Staff interactions

<sup>\*\*</sup> Comment on Process, request for clarity on particular content area, or improvements only



<sup>\*</sup> Directed Comments with focus areas to gather input

## 5. Community Interaction

## + Operating plan

- Presentation of Operating plan by function (GSE, Policy, DNS Services, gTLD operations, Operations Services, Compliance,...) – End of January 2014 – Format to define (f2f meeting, Adobe sessions,...)
- Public comment process concludes in Singapore
- Finalize Operating plan and start Budget development

## + Operating plan and Budget

- Operating plan and Budget presentation
- Published and communicated through call
- Public comment process
- Finalize for Board approval



## 6. Content Overview (1/2)

# **Operating plan**

- +By Function
- + Total resources estimates (FTE, \$\$)
- +Objectives by Jun 2015 by portfolio/ project
- + Recurring activities and projects
- + Multiple scenarios



## 6. Content Overview (2/2)

# **Budget**

- + Variance of FY15 Budget vs FY14 Forecast
- +Build up by dept/function
- + Breakdown by portfolio/project, by category of costs
- + Deliverables
- +Resources





#### **Issues/Needs**

Need more clarity on criteria when designing the requests

#### **Solution**

Provide at the inception of the process (November) the list of criteria used





#### **Issues/Needs**

Requests and their context may require explanation

#### **Solution**

Attempt to schedule a call immediately after submission of requests with representative of requesting organization to review





#### Issues/Needs

Fast track useful but 2-track approach is confusing

#### **Solution**

Merge both tracks into one, which adopts the timing of the FY14 fast track





#### **Issues/Needs**

Results coming too late and not clearly communicated

#### **Solution**

Results to be published immediately after Board approval

Call to be organized with each requesting organization to go over the results





#### **Issues/Needs**

Implementation process not clear

#### **Solution**

Design and communicate the implementation process early

Provide the ICANN Staff name to be contacted when publishing the results after Board approval



## 8. Feedback from Improvement Working Group

- + Working group call on Oct 30<sup>th</sup>
- + Main feedback:
  - "going backwards": last year's intent of several staff/ community interactions missing for FY15 (See actions below).
  - Needs to have "a lot of details early in the process"
  - Some people in the Community think that there should be a Staff/Community Budget Committee

## + Staff's actions:

- Integrated possibilities for interaction, during the development of the operating plan and budget.
- Investigating further additional interactions.



## 9. Next Steps

- + Format of interactions to be finalized and communicated
- + Finalize detailed timing
- +Review with BFC in Buenos Aires

