



FIRE PROGRAMME - Workshop on Grant Proposal Development 2-3 June 2014, Djibouti.

The Fund for Internet Research and Education (FIRE) Programme will host a **Grant Proposal Development Workshop** in Djibouti from **2-3 June 2014**.

The workshop will be held during the **Africa Internet Summit (AIS) 2014** and the **AFRINIC 20 Meeting**. This event, which takes place from 25 May – 6 June, is hosted by AFRINIC, AFNOG, Djibouti Telecom under the high patronage of the Ministry of Communications in charge of Posts and Telecommunications.

About the Workshop

The goal of this workshop is to provide participants with the skills required to create effective grant proposals to seek funding from potential donors. The two-day workshop covers a range of topics relevant to grant proposal writing as well as a session on how to apply for FIRE grants and awards.

The workshop will be recorded and made available as a free webinar on <http://www.fireafrica.org/> for the benefit of anyone looking for the enhancement of their grant proposal writing skills.

Interested African ICT organisations can apply to participate in this Workshop by sending a summary of their project to the FIRE Programme Secretariat at fireprogram@afinic.net no later than 5 May 2014, 00:00 UTC.

The workshop is free and will be conducted in French. Transport and accommodation costs as well as basic living-expenses are covered by the FIRE Programme.

Building human capacity in Francophone, Lusophone and isolated or post-conflict regions

The FIRE Programme encourages innovative approaches to Internet infrastructure development in Africa by using the small grants funding mechanism to enable local organisations to implement creative ICT initiatives. FIRE programme recipients are encouraged to share their knowledge and learned experiences in their local communities so that others can benefit from applying innovative solutions to their unique challenges.

A key benefit for FIRE programme project teams is the exposure to a wider group of potential partners and donors, as the success of each initiative may bring projects to a larger scale.

Writing effective grant proposals is a critical skill for any team wishing to bring their initiative to the next level.

The communities located in Francophone, Lusophone, isolated and post-conflict regions are encouraged to apply for this workshop in order to receive support for capacity building development to improve the quality of future project proposals that will be presented to potential donors, sponsors, or investors.