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## Application / Botswana Chapter

### Application

Project Title	
<b>Internet 101 for Law Makers</b>	
Application Status	Report Requested
Applicant Requested	Phuthego Chere
Amount	\$2,000.00
Total Awarded	\$2,000.00
Created By	Phuthego Chere
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### Chapter

Chapter Name	Botswana Chapter
Chapter Type	
Chapter	
Chapter Status	Full
Regional Bureau	Africa
Standing Status	In good standing
Banking Beneficiary Name	INTERNET SOCIETY BOTSWANA
Award Reports Status	

### Grant Program

Grant Program	2021 - Chapterthon Program
Grant Program Type	Chapterthon
Chapterthon Topic	We Are The Internet Society
Starts On	May 19, 2021
Valid Until	Jun 30, 2021
Contact Email	globalmembership@isoc.org

## Chapterthon

### Applicant Details

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### 1. Project Summary

Project Title Internet 101 for Law Makers

Project Categories

Community Networks

Infrastructure and Community Development

Internet Way of Networking

Please choose the project categories relevant to your Chapterthon Project.

Project Summary

In Botswana, Law makers including Members of Parliament, Councilors, Tribal Chiefs across the nation are not conversant with internet technologies, from technical use to governance. The COVID-19 Pandemic brought challenges as internet use was the only way to get the business of legislature going. Our project will host a workshop which will train Law Makers on the Fundamentals of Online Communications, focusing on Video Telephony and Online Chats and Topics in Internet Governance.

Project Language

English

Projects must be submitted in English, French or Spanish. Please select your language of choice.

**2. Project Location**

Regional Bureau	Africa
Project Location	Molepolole , KWENENG Botswana
Project Location Comment	In Botswana Lawmakers; Members of Parliament, Councilors and Tribal Chiefs are not generally conversant with important online communication technologies such as Zoom and Teams, and they do not have adequate information on Internet Governance. However during the Pandemic, they were expected to connect and participate in online meetings. This resulted in low turnout to meetings as the most Law Makers were not confident or did not know how to use these online tools. Most importantly if Law Makers do not have basic knowledge on Internet Governance, the development of internet policy will remain a far fetched dream.

**3. Project Team**

Indicate the name and role of at least 3 Chapter/SIG volunteers with concrete roles in the project.	Mr. Phuthego Chere - Project Manager Mr. Mothusi Seitshiro - Project Facilitator Mr. Seleejane Gaelebale - Technical Expert and Trainer
Estimated number of people working on the project	10

#### 4. Project Details

##### Project Goals and Objectives

The Goal of the Internet 101 for Law Makers Project is to train atleast Law Makers on;

1. Video Telephony and Online Chats, with prerequisite of Gmail for those who do not have an email address.
2. IG Awareness and Principles so that they can Advocate for a secure and trustworthy internet.

##### Project Timeline

Step 1: Make Open Call for Law Makers and send out formal Invitations to Local Government ( For Councilors and Village Chiefs,) and to National Assembly for MPs (21 days)

Step 2: Conduct Training ( 2 days)

Step 3: Produce a Video and DIY Manual (5 Days)

##### Project Impact

Our project will be a baseline for Law Makers to have the digital skills they need to perform their duties in a productive and modern manner. It will also provide them with Internet Governance knowledge so that they can contribute meaningfully in the development of internet policy for Botswana. This project will also build awareness for other legislators from other regions to learn more about online communication tools and also on issues pertaining to internet governance.

##### Who are your primary beneficiaries (directly/indirectly) and what are the main benefits?

The Law Makers will directly benefit from this project and they will be equipped with the skills and resources to help shape the future of internet in Botswana.

##### Is your project replicable?

Yes

##### If so, please describe how and where this project has been or could be replicated.

This workshop can be replicated in other regions in Botswana and across Africa since the problem is not unique to Botswana and it is common across Africa.

##### Is your project sustainable?

Yes

##### If so, please describe how this project is sustainable.

After this program, which will involve influential members of the society we have surely have access to government resources to extend this program to other regions in Botswana. The project will have a buy in from government and individual law makers. Government has got equipped training rooms and our chapter may be allowed to train more law makers

##### Project Risks

The major risk is unwillingness by Law Makers to participate in the workshop for various reasons such as technophobia, especially village chiefs. This is still resistance to use the internet for official communication and the internet is not trusted by especially our village chiefs.

By involving local government in planning and organizing the workshops, Law Makers will participate in the workshop. We will also make personal invitation and motivate them to participate.

##### Chapter Visibility

This Project will enhance our relationship with Law Makers. The call to participate will also be made in local government notice boards and this will promote our chapter presence. We will also publish project news on our website and facebook page for extra mileage.

### 5. Project Partners

Project Sponsors

The Botswana Chapter has build relationships with Local Government and other organizations. Some of our programs have featured dignatories such as the Vice President and local Government institutions will support us in mobilizing for participation.

Are you looking for partners to increase your scope and impact?

No

*In addition to local partners, please consider (1) which Internet Society Chapters would be interesting for collaboration and project replication, and (2) which Internet Society Organization Members would be interesting for sponsorship/mentorship agreement and project scale.*

In which areas would you expect/wish for your identified partners (including Chapters and Org Members) to increase your scope and impact?

### 6. Project Budget

Do you have a Chapter bank account?

Yes

Has a Chapter bank account changed in the past year?

No

How will you use the project funds?

Equipment
  Professional Services
  Video Costs
  Other

Requested Amount

\$2,000.00

#### 6. a. Equipment

Chapterthon Equipment Budget Amount

\$200.00

Chapterthon Equipment Budget Comment

This will be used to buy a 4G router with dedicated internet access to connect at the training venue because the venues have poor of no connectivity.

#### 6. b. Professional Services

Chapterthon Professional Service Budget Amount

\$300.00

Chapterthon Professional Service Budget Comment

We will provide a small allowance to 3 trainers involved in the project.

#### 6. d. Video Costs

Chapterthon Video Budget Amount

\$300.00

Chapterthon Video Budget Comment

This amount will go to the technical person who will prepare a short video for submission to the chapterthon.

#### 6. e. Other

Chapterthon Other Budget Amount

\$1,200.00

Chapterthon Other Budget Comment

This will go into renting a fully equiped training room with computers and internet connectivity for 20 Law Makers. We will also provide light refreshments to the trainees. About 200 dollars will be spent on printing and submitting letters of invitations. About 200 dollars will be used for transportation to the city where the training will take place.

### 7. Documents

Supporting Document 1

Supporting Document 2