## Application of Botswana Chapter

### Application
- **Project Title**: Internet 101 for Law Makers
- **Application**: Report Requested
- **Status**: Phuthego Chere
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- **Created By**: Phuthego Chere
- **Created On**: Jun 30, 2021
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- **Updated On**: Aug 31, 2021

### Chapter
- **Chapter Name**: Botswana Chapter
- **Chapter Type**: Chapter
- **Chapter Status**: Full
- **Regional Bureau**: Africa
- **Standing Status**: In good standing
- **Banking Beneficiary**: INTERNET SOCIETY BOTSWANA
- **Name**: 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**: globalmembership@isos.org

### Chapterthon
#### Applicant Details
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#### Additional Contacts
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- **Contact for questions regarding the report**: Phuthego Chere

### 1. Project Summary
- **Project Title**: Internet 101 for Law Makers
- **Project Categories**: Community Networks, Infrastructure and Community Development, Internet Way of Networking

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**
- Projects must be submitted in English, French or Spanish. Please select your language of choice.
## 2. Project Location

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**Project Location Comment**

In Botswana, Lawmakers, Members of Parliament, Councillors 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 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 Seitsiro - Project Facilitator**
- **Mr. Selejane 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 at least 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.

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)

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.

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.

Yes

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.

Yes

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 gct equiped training rooms and our chapter may be allowed to train more law makers.

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.

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

Are you looking for partners to increase your scope and impact?
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
No

Has a Chapter bank account changed in the past year?

How will you use the project funds?

Requested Amount

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6. a. Equipment

Chapterthon Equipment Budget Amount

Chapterthon Equipment Budget Comment

$200.00

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

6. b. Professional Services

Chapterthon Professional Service Budget Amount

Chapterthon Professional Service Budget Comment

$300.00

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

6. d. Video Costs

Chapterthon Video Budget Amount

Chapterthon Video Budget Comment

$300.00

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

Chapterthon Other Budget Comment

$1,200.00

This will go into renting a fully equipped 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