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**AFRINIC-11**

**AFRINIC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

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# OBJECTIVES

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**AfriNIC's Fellowship Program is an outreach initiative that was established with the objective of:**

Increasing awareness about AfriNIC through its public policy meetings; and,

To increase participation in the policy development process.

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## WHO CAN APPLY?

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**The fellowship is reserved for individuals representing:**

- Small LIRs or operators
- Inter-governmental/governmental
- Universities
- Journalists
- Other interested individuals

These individuals must show that they are involved in Internet development or ICT initiatives in the African Region their respective countries and the communities.

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## WHAT IS PROVIDED?

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The amount of the fellowship is \$1600 for each fellow, which is intended to assist with travel expenses.

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## WHAT IS REQUIRED BY THE FELLOWS?

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**The fellows are required to give a follow-up report to AfriNIC prior to the following meeting on:**

- How the meeting benefited them personally
- How they were able to transfer the knowledge received at the meeting to their respective communities
- ICT related projects for which they are involved

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## FELLOWSHIPS PROVIDED

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During 2008, there were six (6) fellowship recipients, 5 for the AfriNIC Public Policy Meetings and one (1) for the IETF Conference in Ireland, Dublin (to promote use of open source in our region).

5 Fellowships were provided for the AfriNIC-10 Public Policy Meeting.

5 Fellowships were awarded for the AfriNIC-11 event, and 4 of the fellows are present. (Graham Beneke, SA, Godfred Ahuma, Ghana, Gabriel Ndow, and Isaac Danner, Sierra Leone).

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## HOW TO APPLY?

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Open application period starts with an announcement to the community through our key mailing lists, containing a set of questions and usually 3-4 months prior to the meeting for which the fellowship is intended.

All applications are reviewed by a Selection Committee which is composed of AfriNIC staff.

Applications and queries are sent to [fellowship@afriNIC.net](mailto:fellowship@afriNIC.net)

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*Thank You*

