

COMMUNIQUÉ

EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR E-VOTING REGISTRATION

The new deadline for e-voting registration is:

Thursday 5 June 2025 at 15:00 Mauritius time (MUT)

Dear AFRINIC Resource Members,

As Chair of the Nomination Committee, I wish to inform AFRINIC Resource Members that the Nomination Committee has taken the decision to extend the deadline for e-voting registration.

The new e-voting registration deadline will be Thursday 5 June 2025 at 15:00 Mauritius time (MUT).

Resource Members must ensure that they have sent all the necessary documents to <u>elections2025@afrinic.net</u> by the above time and date. The new deadline will be <u>final and no further extensions will be granted</u>.

The deadline for proxy registration remains the same as before (see below).

The reason for extending the e-voting registration deadline is to allow for maximum participation in the 2025 Election as e-voting is the most convenient and accessible method of voting. During the 2025 Election, the e-voting platform will be administered by Civica Election Services, a reliable and specialist provider of election services with over 100 years' experience in managing elections voting.

By extending the e-voting registration deadline, Resource Members have more time to secure the necessary documents to be added to the e-voting register. The e-voting register is being compiled by the AFRINIC Elections Committee and Civica Election Services.

Please find below a reminder about: (i) who can vote (Resource Members in good standing); (ii) how many times can a Resource Member vote (once) (iii) how to register to e-vote; (iv) how to register a proxy; (v) how to vote via an authorised in-person representative on the in-person day of the election; and (vi) where to find more information about the 2025 Election.

Any general questions should be directed to the AFRINIC Elections Committee at elections2025@afrinic.net.

The Honourable Simon Davenport KC Chair, AFRINIC Nomination Committee 2025 3 June 2025
Who can vote in the 2025 Election?

Only Resource Members can vote in the election.

A Resource Member must be in "good standing" to vote, meaning, by reference to the Bylaws and the AFRINIC Registration Service Agreement:

- it has completed all the necessary formalities under Article 6.4 of AFRINIC's Bylaws,
- its membership remains current; and
- it has paid all up-to-date membership fees and resource allocation or assignment fees du (which should be done as soon as possible).

Can a Resource Member vote more than once?

No. A Resource Member can only vote once.

Please be reminded that a Resource Member may only vote <u>via one of the three methods of voting set out in full below</u>: (a) a designed e-voting representative; (b) in person by proxy; or (c) an authorised in-person representative. **Voting by more than one method is strictly prohibited**.

How does a Resource Member register to e-vote?

The new deadline to register to e-vote is Thursday 5 June 2025 at 15:00 Mauritius time (MUT).

The e-voting period will last from Monday 16 June 2025 to Monday 23 June 2025 <u>at times to be</u> confirmed in due course.

If a Resource Member chooses to vote via e-voting, it must designate one e-voting representative who will be authorised to vote on its behalf.

There are two types of persons who can designate an e-voting representative:

- (a) a director of the Resource Member (or a responsible person such as a treasurer or secretary if the company is unincorporated/volunteer-based) or
- (b) someone who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member (e.g., a someone with power of attorney or an attorney appointed in a manner akin to section 182 of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001).

To designate an e-voting representative, a Resource Member <u>must</u> submit the following information via email to <u>elections2025@afrinic.net</u> by 23:59 (Mauritius time) on Monday 2 June 2025:

- the full name and contact details of the designated e-voting representative in a duly signed letter from either a director or a person who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member; and
- 2. a **notarial certificate** letter (or some other legally authorised document) to accompany the signed letter; and
- an email address for the designated e-voting representative to receive the secured e-voting link (the email address <u>must</u> be from the same domain as a Resource Member);
 and
- 4. a scanned copy of up-to-date identification (e.g., a passport, a drivers' licence or other official ID) of the designated e-voting representative.

<u>All four</u> of the above requirements must be met in order for a designated e-voting representative to be validly added to the register of designated e-voting representatives.

What does a Resource Member appoint a proxy?

The deadline for proxy registration remains 9 June 2025 at 23:59 Mauritius time (MUT).

If a Resource Member prefers to appoint a **proxy** to vote at AFRINIC's polling station, subject to Article 12.12(viii) of the AFRINIC's Bylaws which makes clear that no member shall carry more than 5 proxies, it can appoint such a proxy. N.B. No candidate in the election can act as a proxy for any member.

There are two types of persons who can appoint a proxy:

- (a) a director of the Resource Member (or a responsible person such as a treasurer or secretary if the company is unincorporated/volunteer-based) or
- (b) someone who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member (e.g., a someone with power of attorney or an attorney appointed in a manner akin to section 182 of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001).

To appoint a proxy, a Resource Member <u>must</u> submit the following information via email to <u>elections2025@afrinic.net</u> by 23:59 (Mauritius time) on Monday 9 June 2025:

- 1. the full name and contact details of the appointed proxy in a duly signed letter from either a director or a person who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member; and
- 2. a **notarial certificate** (or some other legally authorised document) to accompany the signed letter; <u>and</u>
- 3. a completed Proxy Form which is available on the MyAFRINIC portal; and
- 4. a scanned copy of up-to-date identification (e.g., a passport, a drivers' licence or other official ID) of the appointed proxy.

<u>All four</u> of the above requirements must be met in order for a chosen proxy to be validly added to the register of proxies.

On the day of the election (23 June 2025), a chosen proxy <u>must bring with them physical</u> <u>copies of</u>: (i) the duly signed letter from the director or person who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member; (ii) the <u>completed Proxy Form or a notarially certified copy of the Proxy Form</u>; and (iii) up-to-date identification.

What if a Resource Member misses the e-voting or proxy registration deadlines?

If a Resource Member does not provide either the designated e-voting representative or the proxy details as requested by the specified deadline, a Resource Member **may still vote in person at AFRINIC's polling station using a paper ballot**, which will be provided on-site.

A Resource Member may vote in person on the election day via an authorised in-person representative. N.B. Multiple members may select the same authorised in-person representative; however, the authorised in-person representative must bring the required documents in relation to <u>each member</u> on election day.

There are two types of persons who can select an authorised in-person representative:

- (a) a director of the Resource Member (or a responsible person such as a treasurer or secretary if the company is unincorporated/volunteer-based) or
- (b) someone who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member (e.g., a someone with power of attorney or an attorney appointed in a manner akin to section 182 of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001).

To be eligible to vote in person via an authorised in-person representative, the following documentation **must be shown** on the election day:

- a duly signed letter from either a director or a person who holds authority on behalf of the Resource Member to grant the authorised in-person representative authorisation to vote; and
- 2. a **notarial certificate** (or some other legally authorised document) to accompany the signed letter; <u>and</u>
- 3. a physical copy of up-to-date identification (e.g., a passport, a drivers' licence or other official ID).

If the authorised in-person representative of a Resource Member cannot provide the above three documents on the day of the election (23 June 2025), they will not be eligible to vote in person at AFRINIC's polling station using a paper ballot.

Where is there more information about voting?

For all the essential information about the AFRINIC Election Process, please visit: https://afrinic.net/election-process where you will find the following relevant documents:

- The Election Guidelines; and
- The second Official Communiqué about voting methods and requirements.

In particular, please read the 2025 Election FAQs here: https://afrinic.net/ast/2025/Final FAQ.pdf.

Any general queries on the AFRINIC elections may be addressed to elections2025@afrinic.net.