

Announcement: Call for Volunteers!

We are opening our call for volunteers!

SDNOG has always been from the community, to the community. Since day one, we've relied on amazing volunteers who believe that helping and supporting others is one of the best ways to learn.

We're looking for people to join us and help continue this journey, with energy, commitment, and fresh ideas!

Here's where we need you:

Platform, Media & Visibility: Website Designer & Media Designer

- Design a social media template & visual identity system for SDNOG
- Create and schedule regular posts and visual content
- Help redesign or refresh sections of the SDNOG website
- Ensure consistent branding across all platforms

Skills needed: Graphic design (Canva or similar), basic web design/CMS (WordPress or similar), understanding of branding & visual identity, social media content planning

Infrastructure Maintenance: System Admin

- Update servers (OS, services, dependencies)
- Apply security hardening (patching, monitoring, backups)
- Monitor and respond to support tickets
- Document server setup and recovery procedures

Skills needed: Linux/Unix system administration, networking fundamentals, security best practices, familiarity with monitoring/backup tools, basic scripting (Bash/Python), and comfortable writing technical documentation

Video Content (Awareness) : Video Creator

- Script and produce short, clear videos explaining SDNOG's mission and services
- Create highlight reels or recap videos from SDNOG events/activities
- Edit and publish videos for social media and YouTube

Skills needed: Video editing (CapCut, phone apps, or similar), basic scriptwriting/storytelling, filming/shooting basics, understanding of platform formats (YouTube, Instagram Reels, etc.), and creativity

Programs & Initiatives: admin/ Organizer

- Help plan and coordinate SDNOG activities and events
- Communicate with community members and stakeholders
- Track action items and follow up to make sure things get done
- Support logistics (scheduling, venues, speaker coordination)

Skills needed: Good communication skills, basic organization skills, comfortable reaching out to people, reliable and proactive attitude, and comfortable documenting work

What You'll Get

- Connections : Meet new people and grow your network within the community
- Learning – Gain more than just technical knowledge; build skills like communication and working with different entities
- Exploration – Discover new fields and areas you may not have tried before
- Reputation – Be part of an organization respected by major Internet stakeholders such as ISOC, ICANN, and other Internet NOGs
- Recognition – Get acknowledgement for your work from SDNOG, including a certificate if needed
- Opportunities – Many Internet organizations share their activities (conferences, trainings, workshops, fellowships) on the SDNOG mailing list, and you're welcome to apply to these as an "SDNOG volunteer"

Interested? Reach out to us and let us know which area excites you most, we'd love to have you on board!

Sample of the Volunteer Application Form

Please fill in the details below and send it back to us

1. Full Name:
2. Email Address:
3. Phone / WhatsApp Number:
4. Where are you currently staying? (City, Country):
5. LinkedIn Profile:
6. Which volunteer role(s) are you interested in? (select one or more)
☐ Website Designer / Media Designer
☐ System Admin
☐ Video Creator
☐ Organizer

7. Relevant skills or experience:

8. Work you have done, or projects you've participated in (relevant to the role):

9. Have you volunteered with SDNOG or similar organizations before?

☐ Yes — please specify: _____

☐ No

10. How many hours per week can you commit?

☐ 1-3 hours

☐ 4-6 hours

☐ 7+ hours

11. Why do you want to volunteer with SDNOG?

12. Any links to your work/portfolio (design, videos, GitHub, etc.):

13. Additional comments or questions:

Thank you for applying! We'll get back to you soon.

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