

ABC Proposals Due September 30th

Dear Fellow ACAs,

As you are the designated contact person for a registered ACA Meeting, Intergroup or Region, we are sending you this information. Please share this with your group. If you need to update your meeting's contact information, please find your meeting [here](#) and then click **Update This Meeting**.

Thank you.

In Spring 2023, the ACA World Service Organization (WSO) will hold the Annual Business Conference (ABC). A portion of the ABC explores Proposals submitted by registered ACA meetings, Intergroups, and Regions.

If your group has an idea that may **benefit ACA worldwide**, they may submit it as a Proposal. Each Proposal may become part of a Ballot published in January and voted on by ACA groups, globally.

The Proposal process, with deadlines, is as follows:

1. Talk amongst yourselves. Each Proposal is the product of a **Group Conscience**. A member may have inspiration, however the Proposal is discussed and offered by the group.
2. Go to the Ballot Prep Committee (BPC) website page <https://acawso.org/category/ballot-prep/> and find **The Proposal Guidelines**, if your group feels it may have a Proposal to submit.
3. Attend a "Crafting A Proposal" Workshop –
 - a. Friday, 19th August, 8pm ET, Saturday 20th August, 5:30am IST, 8AM China, 9am JST, 9:30 ACST
 - b. Sunday, 28th August, 1pm ET, 6pm BST, 7pm CEST, 9pm MSK, 10pm IST.

Workshop details will be published at <https://acawso.org/category/ballot-prep/>. These are virtual Q&A sessions where group representatives will be offered experiences of the Proposal process.

4. Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023ABCProposals> to submit your group's Proposal.
NOTE: As outlined in **The Proposal Guidelines**, it would be best to draft your proposal on a separate document, and simply copy and paste it into the Survey Monkey form.
5. We urge your group to reach out to the committee you think might be best suited to implement your proposal to learn more about the committee process. The committee might also be able to share information about similar projects already under consideration. A list of committees is included in the Proposal Guidelines.
6. The deadline to submit your Group's Proposal is **September 30, 2022**. After September 30, the Ballot Prep Committee may contact you to encourage coordination with the corresponding WSO committee. Your group will then have opportunity to make changes to your proposal up until October 31.

After Proposals are finalized:

- The WSO will offer its own analysis of each Proposal included on the Ballot.
- Fellowship volunteers will translate Proposals for the Ballot
- Ballots will be sent to all registered groups for discussion in **January 2023**.
- Town Hall meetings to discuss Proposals appearing on the 2023 Ballot will be held in January and February. NOTE: Submitting groups with Proposals on the Ballot will have the opportunity to present.

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- Dates and instructions for Ballot Voting will be included on the Ballot
- The results of Ballot Voting will be published before the ABC.

If you have any questions about this Proposal process, please send an email to bpc@adulthoodchildren.org.