

## ICMA 2025 & 2026 Global Exchange Application FAQs

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### **Does the application need to be completed by or be affiliated with an organization that has a relationship with ICMA?**

No. Applications are accepted from any municipality or local government organization dedicated to promoting good local governance.

### **If business is conducted in a language other than English, do I need to provide means of translation in order to be considered?**

The application is not required to provide means of translation. However, if business is not conducted in English and the majority of local government professionals do not speak English, the application should indicate this and indicate that translation is needed. Details on how the translation will work can be determined if the application is successful.

### **Do you have a standard event agreement that you are able to share with potential applicants to ensure that the potential host organization can meet the terms and conditions?**

At this time, we do not have such a document. However, once an application is selected, such a document can be developed to ensure commitment from both parties on agreed-upon event terms and conditions.

### **How do you define site visits? Are you looking to visit local government buildings such as city hall or other city sites and projects as well?**

ICMA Global Exchanges have had a variety of past site visits including city halls, municipal facilities such as water treatment plants and other city projects as well as cultural heritage sites. Site visits are intended to showcase municipal development projects that can serve as examples for the attendees to take back to their communities.

### **Are applicants that are not selected in this application cycle eligible to reapply in future application cycles?**

Yes. There are no restrictions on who can apply in future application cycles.

### **If an organization has recently hosted a global exchange, is the organization eligible to apply for this application cycle or future application cycles?**

Yes, but this will be considered by the review committee. There are no restrictions on who can apply for this application cycle or future application cycles, but our goals are to provide our members with the opportunity to engage with counterparts from different countries and regions of the world.

### **If our organization is not able to accommodate at least 50 attendees, are there other opportunities to apply for? Should we submit an application anyway?**

Currently, there are no other open applications for these types of events. If you are interested, you can submit your application with a note on how many attendees you can accommodate. The review committee will review all applications.

**Are cities in Canada eligible to apply for this opportunity?**

Yes, any local government or local government organization dedicated to good local governance is eligible to apply.

**Is there a list of recent host cities/organizations?**

Recent host cities/organizations include:

- 2024: Exello.net (Belgium)
- 2024: Royal Commission for AlUla (Saudi Arabia)
- 2023: Cities of Puerto Princesa and Tagbilaran (Philippines)
- 2020: City Managers' Association of Rajasthan (India)
- 2019: The Association of Public Administrators in Romania (AAPRO) (Romania)
- 2018: Federation of Local Authorities in Israel (FLAI) (Israel)
- 2017: Dominican Federation of Municipalities (FEDOMU) (Dominican Republic)
- 2016; The Czech City Managers' Association (Czech Republic)
- 2009 and 2012: City of Bratislava and the Slovakian City Managers' Association (Slovakia)

**My organization is not ready to apply during this application period but is interested in future application cycles. What are the details on future application cycles?**

At this time, ICMA plans to open an application cycle on an annual basis for the location of the global exchange 2 years after the application cycle. For example, in 2025, the application cycle will be held for the 2027 Global Exchange.

**How can I be informed of future application cycles?**

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