



WORLD ADMINISTRATORS

SUMMIT

The Future Structure of WASummit Advisory Council

Summary

During the past year, the structure of the WASummit and Advisory Council was discussed and evaluated to ensure a bright and sustainable future. While in Germany at the 10th World Administrators Summit, delegates in attendance approved moving the timeline and holding the WASummit every 2 rather than 3 years. At that time, Delegates also agreed that it would be valuable to explore a future organisational model for the WASummit Advisory Council to support the purpose of providing greater global leadership and continued advocacy through seeking to guide, influence, positively develop and elevate the global administrative community.

Proposed Model – What?

After much discussion, it is proposed that a formal Nonprofit Trade Association under the name World Administrators Alliance be formed using the current *Administra* and the Terms of Reference of the existing WASummit Advisory Council as the preliminary basis for the new organisation. A Trade Association is an organisation founded and funded by associations and/or organisations representing a specific industry; in this case administrators.

Advantages & Benefits – Why?

Providing a formal structure, operated under United States business laws and requirements, will:

- allow for a sustainable funding model
- provide a sustainable governance model
- provide formal bylaws to dictate governance parameters
- provide formal leadership positions with mandatory global representation
- provide a consistent currency and fund management system

Governance & Logistics – How?

Using *Administra* and the current Terms of Reference of the WASummit Advisory Council as a guide, bylaws will be drafted outlining a governance structure that would include an executive oversight committee. This committee would be required to have multi-country (global) representation to establish equitable practices and shared accountability, ensuring that no one country would seize control or dictate the governance and/or management of the association, including fund management. The business filings required in the United States for registration of a new Trade Association include the IRS Form 1024, and submission of the association's declaration and bylaws. There are no fees for the submission. There may be some additional state and federal business registrations required with minimal fee requirements; up to but not exceeding \$1,000 US.

Next Steps – What We Need From You

Tell us what you think, WASummit 2018 Delegates and all Associations complete our brief survey, by 13 February 2019.