ICANN Community Leadership Digest

The ICANN org Policy Development Support function publishes this twice-weekly digest
to help ICANN community leaders track requests and follow updates.

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NEW: IANA Naming Function Review Team Community Webinar

The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Naming Function Review Team (IFRT) has announced that it is in the final stages of completing its Initial Report.

The IFRT will hold a webinar on **Tuesday, 29 September 2020, 17:00-17:30 UTC,** for the community regarding one of their proposed recommendations that would require an amendment to the IANA Naming Functions Contract between the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) and its affiliate Public Technical Identifiers (PTI). This amendment may be of particular interest to country code top-level domain (ccTLD) and generic top-level domain (gTLD) registry operators.

Participation details
Zoom webinar room
Passcode: IFRT_09/29

NEW: Virtual Backgrounds Now Available

The Global Communications team has developed **virtual backgrounds** for each Supporting Organization

and Advisory Committee. **ICANN69 virtual backgrounds** are also available.

Learn more about how to use virtual backgrounds in Zoom.

NEW: **Nominations for NextGen Selection Committee and Mentor Positions Now Open**
From: Sally Costerton, Senior Advisor to the President and Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement

The ICANN org NextGen Program is seeking nominations for its selection committee through**Thursday, 15 October 2020.** The community-nominated selection committee will be responsible for overseeing the **mentor** selection process. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students.

For additional information, please contact**deborah.escalera@icann.org**.

REMINDER: **ICANN69 Prep Week Schedule Now Available**

ICANN org recently announced the ICANN69 Prep Week schedule. Twelve webinars will be offered from **5-8 October 2020.** To access the Prep Week schedule, please**register** for ICANN69.

Upon registration, you will receive two emails:
- Registration confirmation
- An email with login information for the schedule

Once you log into the schedule, you will be able to sign up for the Prep Week webinars. Please note that participation links will be posted 24 hours prior to the session start times for security purposes. The session schedule will display in your local time, based on the time set for your device where you view the website. Times on the schedule are in Central European Summer Time (CEST).

REMINDER: **Interaction with the ICANN Board during ICANN69**
From: Maarten Botterman, ICANN Board Chair

Dear ICANN Community Group Chairs,

Please reply no later than Monday, 5 October 2020.

While 2020 has proven challenging and likely very different from what we were all expecting when we last saw each other almost a year ago in Montréal, the Board and I keep being impressed and grateful for your continued dedication to ICANN's mission.

The Board still values its dialogue with your groups and is very much looking forward to engaging with you during our 22nd and first ever virtual Annual General Meeting that will take place between 13-22 October 2020. As you keep working on the format for ICANN69, we would like to start preparing for community dialogue with the Board.

As per what we did in Montréal and virtually for ICANN67, instead of sending up to three questions to the Board, we would like to offer you the alternative option of choosing a single topic and having an open discussion with the Board on that topic. We will also publish the list of questions or topics received using this digest as a successful tool for improving transparency and allowing other groups to deepen their own understanding of their peers' point of view on different issues.

As for time allocation, per what we did previously, we propose to allocate half of our time together to answer your questions or discuss your single topic and the other half to address the Board's topic. In preparation for our meetings, the Board has chosen the following topic to have an open discussion with you:
- **Enhancing the effectiveness of the multistakeholder model**- **key issues and opportunities for acceleration.** In your preparation, you may want to consider the results of the most recent public consultation and the work that has progressed with dependencies to enhancing the effectiveness of the multistakeholder model, such as the Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3) Final Report and work on prioritization and budgeting).

We would be very grateful if you could send to Board Operations,board-ops-team@icann.org, your single topic or list of questions, in order of priority, no later thanMonday, 5 October 2020 or sooner.

For your information, we are not changing the current total time allotted per group. We look forward to hearing your thoughts, questions or topics of interest and to exchange with you constructively and virtually.

Best regards,

Maarten Botterman
ICANN Board Chair

REMINDER: **ICANN69 Internet Access Reimbursement Program Pilot**

ICANN previously announced the Pandemic Internet Access Program Pilot for ICANN69, following the ICANN Board resolution in support of the pilot program. To facilitate participation during the remote Public Meeting, the pilot program offers community members who have limited Internet capacity financial assistance to increase their Internet bandwidth during ICANN69.

Reimbursement amounts of up to **USD 60** will be provided to eligible applicants who purchase additional Internet bandwidth (capacity or data limits) for the duration of the month or billing cycle for October 2020. The services must be rendered by a business entity or Internet service provider, specifically for Internet or cellular data service. The provider must also provide digital or paper documentation of the upgrade costs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
To qualify for Internet service reimbursement:

1. Applicants must be active members of an ICANN community Supporting Organization or Advisory Committee and have been an ICANN funded traveler within 18 months prior to ICANN69 or must be selected to participate in the current ICANN69 Fellowship or the NextGen programs.
2. Applicants must be registered to attend, and participate in ICANN69. Participation will be validated by the support staff of the primary membership group of applicants.
3. Applicants must require additional bandwidth at home to facilitate their active participation in ICANN69.
4. Applicants must have a valid personal bank account for ICANN org to wire the reimbursement funds.
5. Applicants must apply for this program in advance of the meeting.**The deadline to apply is Friday, 2 October 2020.**

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES
1. Application Deadline - **Friday, 2 October 2020**
2. Receipt Submission Deadline - **Friday, 13 November 2020**

Learn more about the pilot program.

Public Comment

CLOSES NEXT WEDNESDAY: **GNSO New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Draft Final Report**
Close Date: Wednesday, 30 September 2020

Reference Label Generation Rulesets (LGRs) for the Second Level
Close Date: Thursday, 15 October 2020