ICANN Community 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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Webinars

TOMORROW: Join ICANN's SSAD and Governmental Accreditation Authorities Webinar

ICANN org will host a webinar on **3 December 2021 at 15:00 UTC** to update the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) on the topic of governmental accreditation authorities under the System for Standardized Access/Disclosure (SSAD) Operational Design Phase (ODP).

Read more.

NEXT WEEK: Draft FY23 Operating and Financial Plans, Budget Informational Webinar

ICANN is holding two public webinars to discuss the Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2027 Operating and Financial Plan and Draft FY23 Operating Plan and Budget. We are inviting the community to participate in an informational webinar.

8 December 2021 at 16:00 UTC Register

9 December 2021 01:00 UTC Register

Read more.

REMINDER: Register for the ICANN Resolver Operator Forum

The ICANN Resolver Operator Forum is a chance to bring together resolver experts and operators from across the world to compare experiences, discuss features, and to network. The forum will take place on **Tuesday, 14 December 2021 at 15:00 UTC.** Register

Information Sharing

NEW: Answers to Questions About ICANN's Upcoming New gTLD Subsequent Procedures ODP

The New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Operational Design Phase QDP) is an integral part of the preparation work necessary for a possible next application round for new generic top-level domain names (gTLDs). Since the ICANN Board directed the ICANN organization in September 2021 to prepare for the ODP, a team has been organizing the resources needed and developing the roadmap for the work ahead.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Request for Proposal: Financial Audit

ICANN organization issued a request for proposal (RFP) to identify an independent public accounting firm that has extensive experience in providing financial statement auditing services for not-for-profit organizations.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN and AFTLD Partner to Promote Universal Acceptance in Africa

ICANN, in partnership with the African Top Level Domain Organisations (AFTLD) today announced the creation of a collaborative Universal Acceptance (UA) training program for members of the African community. The African TLDs Regional Universal Acceptance Training Program will provide a training series on the technical aspects of UA and serve as an opportunity to discuss how to effectively address UA issues in the region.

Read more.

REMINDER: Join ICANN's Discussions during the 16th Internet Governance Forum

Members of the ICANN community, Board, and organization will participate in the <u>Sixteenth Annual</u> <u>Meeting of the Internet Governance Forum</u>, to be held as a hybrid meeting from **6 to 10 December 2021**. Hosted by the government of Poland, this year's overarching theme is: "Internet United," conveying that the Internet connects all its users into one community, responsible for its shape and functioning.

Read more.

REMINDER: ICANN74 Fellowship Application Round Now Open

ICANN opened the Fellowship Program application round for ICANN74. This round is open only to those who have previously completed an ICANN Fellowship because ICANN74 is a Policy Forum. The meeting is scheduled for 13-16 June 2022 in The Hague, Netherlands. If ICANN74 is held virtually, the Fellowship Program will also be held virtually. The deadline to apply is **Wednesday**, **15 December 2021**, **23:59 UTC**. Successful candidates will be announced on 10 February 2022 on the ICANN website.

Read more.

REMINDER: Nominations for Fellowship Program Mentors Now Open

ICANN's Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees are invited to nominate volunteers to serve as Fellowship Program Mentors for ICANN75-ICANN77. Each group is welcome to nominate one individual for this role, for a total of up to seven mentors. Nominations should be submitted by **Friday**, **25 February 2022 to fellowshipconsultation@icann.org**

Read more.

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<u>Rules</u>

EXTENDED: Proposed Revisions to the ICANN Documentary Information Disclosure Policy

Open for Submissions Date: Thursday, 21 October 2021 Closed for Submissions Date: Monday, 13 December 2021

ccNSO Proposed Policy on the Retirement of ccTLDs

Open for Submissions Date: Monday, 22 November 2021 Closed for Submissions Date: Wednesday, 12 January 2022

EPDP Phase 2A Policy Recommendations for ICANN Board Consideration

Open for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 23 November 2021 Closed for Submissions Date: Thursday, 13 January 2022

REMINDER: ICANN Launches Improved Public Comment Feature

The Information Transparency Initiative has reached another important milestone with the release of an improved Public Comment feature. This enhanced feature is part of the ICANN organization's ongoing commitment to increase the findability and transparency of our information.

Read more about the improvements!

See upcoming proceedings.

Infographic: What is Public Comment?

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