

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.

How Domain Name System Policy is Developed, and How You Can Get Involved

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ICANN74 Planning

NEW: Update on the Technical Preparations for ICANN74

As we approach our first hybrid meeting in more than two years, I want to provide you with an update about the ICANN organization's technical preparations for [ICANN74 in The Hague, Netherlands](#). While we are excited to offer community members the opportunity for in-person participation, we are equally thrilled to continue implementing the valuable lessons learned during our virtual meetings. This will ensure that we provide the best meeting experience for both in-person and remote participants.

[Read more.](#)

Language Services at the ICANN74 Policy Forum

After more than two years of virtual gatherings, we want to share with you some of the adjustments we are making to language services for the [ICANN74 Policy Forum](#).

[Read more.](#)

ICANN74 Prep Week Schedule Now Available

ICANN announced the ICANN74 Prep Week schedule of nine sessions to prepare the ICANN community for the ICANN74 Policy Forum taking place **13-16 June 2022**.

ICANN74 Prep Week will be held from **Tuesday, 31 May-Thursday, 2 June 2022**. Sessions will be conducted in English and will feature remote simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, and Spanish. To attend any of the sessions, please [register](#) for ICANN74. After registering, you will receive two emails:

- Registration confirmation
- Login information to access the schedule on the ICANN74 website

[Read more.](#)

ICANN74 Zoom Backgrounds

ICANN74 Zoom backgrounds are now available [here](#).

Internet Reimbursement Program

The application process is now open. Those who meet the eligibility requirements will be able to participate. More information is available on the [Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program website](#). The deadline for applications is **Friday, 27 May 2022, at 23:59 UTC**.

The ICANN Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program aims to facilitate the active participation in ICANN Public Meetings Meeting for certain community members with limited Internet capacity by offering financial assistance to increase their Internet bandwidth during the meeting.

[Read more.](#)

Registration for ICANN74 Policy Forum in The Hague, Netherlands is Now Open

[Registration](#) for ICANN74 in The Hague, Netherlands is now open. ICANN74 will take place 13-16 June 2022 as a hybrid event to accommodate both in-person and virtual participation.

While the [ICANN74 Policy Forum](#) presents the first opportunity for the community to come together in more than two years, the health and safety of all community members and staff continues to be ICANN's key priority.

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NEW: ICANN73 Fellowship Program Participants Post-Meeting Report

The Fellowship Program was founded in 2007, in order to create a broader and more diverse base of knowledgeable constituents from underserved and underrepresented communities around the world. As a result of the ICANN Fellowship Program review and community consultations, since ICANN65 the new process for the Program is in place. One of the key changes suggested by the community is that each Fellowship cohort will produce a post-meeting report to be publicly available, which has been piloted at ICANN63 and now is an integral part of the Program requirements. ICANN73 cohort of 31 Fellows, who participated in the virtual Community Forum, produced their post-meeting report.

The report is available [here](#).

NEW: Request for Appointment of Members and Liaisons to the CSC

As of 30 September 2022, several members and liaisons of the Customer Standing Committee (CSC) will complete their term. ICANN org will soon be asking chairs to initiate your respective group's processes to appoint members and liaisons to these seats. While members are required, liaison appointments are optional (albeit strongly encouraged). To ensure that the appointment process is completed in time for the start of the next CSC term, ICANN org will ask to be notified of your appointments by **Monday, 1 August 2022**.

More information will be shared directly via email, including detailed guidance about the process, candidate qualification requirements, and key dates.

More information about the CSC can be found [here](#).

NEW: ICANN Reports DNS Abuse is Trending Downward Globally

In a recently published [report](#), ICANN indicated that the global sum of DNS abuse dropped in "absolute terms and normalized rates" over the last four years, from October 2017 to January 2022. Globally, in January 2022, less than one percent of domain names were reported to pose potential threats to users.

[Read more.](#)

REMINDER: Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN75

ICANN is calling for [applications](#) for the [NextGen@ICANN Program](#). ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the Asia Pacific region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN75 Annual Meeting. ICANN75 is scheduled to be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from 17 to 22 September 2022. If ICANN75 is held virtually, the NextGen@ICANN Program will also be held virtually.

The NextGen@ICANN application window will remain open until **Friday, 1 July 2022**. Successful candidates will be announced on 15 July 2022 on the ICANN website. For more information about the program and to apply, please visit the [NextGen@ICANN website](#).

[Read more.](#)

REMINDER: ICANN Invites Applications for Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy 2022

ICANN announced that the application window for the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy (APIGA) 2022 opens on **Saturday, 14 May 2022 00:00 (UTC+9)**. Hosted by ICANN and the Korea Internet and Security Agency (KISA), the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy will be held from 16 to 20 August 2022 in Seoul or Jeju, Republic of Korea. Details about and application information for APIGA 2022 can be found on the [APIGA 2022 website](#).

REMINDER: SubPro ODP Team Offering Update Session to Community Groups

In addition to the anticipated plenary session on the New gTLD SubPro ODP, the ICANN org SubPro ODP team is welcoming meetings with interested community groups. If any Supporting Organizations, Advisory Committees, stakeholder, or constituency groups would like to hear from the SubPro ODP team, please email subpro-odp@icann.org to schedule time with us. Please be sure to include any specific topic areas for discussion or if you prefer a general update. In addition, we ask that you share a few date and time options so that we can schedule and prepare accordingly. We look forward to meeting you.

REMINDER: NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations

The nomination period for the NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program is now open. Nominations must be submitted by no later than **Monday, 1 August 2022**. The community-nominated mentor will be responsible for overseeing the mentor process. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students. Guidelines for the program can be found [here](#).

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org.

Public Comment

NEW: [Summary Report Published: Root Zone Update Process Study](#)

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