ICANN Community Digest



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NEW: ICANN RFP: Africa DNS Study 2022

ICANN org issued a request for proposal (RFP) to identify a provider to conduct a study of the Domain Name System (DNS) as it impacts and is utilized in Africa. This new study will be essential for understanding the current circumstances in Africa ahead of a potential future round of new generic toplevel domains.

For a complete overview of this RFP, including the timeline, please clickhere. Proposals should be electronically submitted using ICANN's sourcing tool by Monday, 25 July 2022, 23:59 UTC. Indications of interest should be emailed to Africa. DNS. Study. 2022-RFP@icann.org. Access to this tool may be requested via the same email.

Read more.

NEW: Nomination Period Opens for Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building

ICANN opened a one-month nomination period for the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building. The ICANN Board will evaluate a shortlist of candidates. Please submit nominations via this nomination form by Monday, 25 July 2022, 23:59 UTC. Any additional information in support of nominations or questions about the award process may be submitted via email to kamelaward@icann.org.

This year's award recipient will be announced in September 2022 at ICANN75. For more information, please refer to the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building webpage.

Read more.

FRIDAY: Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN75

ICANN is calling for <u>applications</u> for the <u>NextGen@ICANN Program</u>. 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: 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.

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.

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Open for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 21 June 2022 Closed for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 2 August 2022

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