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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NEW: ICANN75 Prep Week Schedule Now Available

The ICANN75 Prep Week schedule is now available. It consists of eight sessions to prepare the ICANN community for the ICANN75 Annual General Meeting taking place 17-22 September 2022.

REMINDER: ICANN Continues the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program

ICANN announced the continuation of the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program for ICANN75. The hybrid ICANN75 Annual General Meeting is being held **17–22 September 2022**. The deadline for reimbursement program applications is **2 September 2022**.

Interested ICANN community members must apply in advance of ICANN75, and those who meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to participate. The application process opens **Monday, 08 August 2022**. The application deadline is**Friday, 02 September 2022 at 23:59 UTC.**

The goal of this program is to facilitate participation in ICANN Public Meetings during the pandemic. It offers community members who have limited Internet capacity financial assistance to increase their Internet bandwidth.

Since ICANN75 will be conducted as a hybrid meeting, only applicants that attend virtually are eligible for

this program.

Apply here.

Read more.

Registration for ICANN75 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia is Now Open

ICANN announced that the dedicated website for the ICANN75 Annual General Meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia is live and registration for the meeting is open.

All participants must be pre-registered by **14 September 2022** to attend the meeting in person.

Read more.

REMINDER: Implementation Operations Team Offers Interactive Update on the "Enhancing ICANN's Multistakeholder Model" Project

In 2019, the ICANN Board initiated a project aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model – one of the strategic objectives outlined in ICANN's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years (FY) 2021-2025. This effort is critical to ensuring that the multistakeholder model evolves and meets the changing needs of the ICANN community.

The Implementation Operations team is offering an up to 30 minute interactive update on this project, more specifically on the evaluation methodology, which is used to assess the current projects/initiatives that are supporting the multistakeholder model.

If you like this update to be part of your constituency/committee ICANN75 agenda, please email giovanni.seppia@icann.org and/or negar.farzinnia@icann.org. We look forward to working together to enhance the ICANN multistakeholder model.

REMINDER: ICANN75 Annual General Meeting Zoom Backgrounds

Zoom backgrounds for ICANN75 can be found here.

Information Sharing

New: How ICANN Supports Community Discourse via Domain Name Marketplace Indicators

ICANN recently released updated industry metrics as part of its Domain Name Marketplace Indicators initiative. This information, which is available via ICANN's Open Data platform, includes statistics related to generic top-level domains (gTLDs) and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs).

One of the objectives of this initiative is to provide the Internet community with an unbiased source of internal indicators to track the evolution of the Domain Name System (DNS) industry.

Read more.

NEW: Share Your Feedback on the Registration Data Policy Implementation Plan

Today, ICANN Org opened a Public Comment proceeding on a proposed Registration Data Policy Implementation Plan. This plan is the result of three years of work and collaboration including ICANN Org's Policy Implementation Project Team (IPT) and the Community's Implementation Review Team (IRT). The implementation plan includes a draft policy and proposed updates to 20 existing consensus policies and procedures impacted by the Community's recommendations concerning generic top-level domain (gTLD) registration data. The opening of this Public Comment is a tremendous achievement and a true testament to the multistakeholder model at work.

Read more.

NEW: Work Stream 2 Implementation Update

Implementation of Work Stream 2 (WS2) of the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability (CCWG-ACCT) continues to be a priority for the ICANN organization (org) in Fiscal Year 23.
Work continues on the 95 accountability and transparency-related recommendations directed at ICANN org, the Board, and the community. The ICANN org continues to support community groups' implementation work, as appropriate, and discussions of the WS2 Community Coordination Group (WS2 CCG), as it coordinates work on a set of recommendations that warrant a uniform community-wide approach. More information on the WS2 CCG scope and activities is available here.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Publishes Updated Domain Name Marketplace Indicators

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) today announced the release of updated industry metrics, accessible via the ICANN Open Data platform, as part of its Domain Name Marketplace Indicators initiative.

The initiative presents statistics related to generic top-level domains (gTLDs) and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs) with the aim of fostering greater transparency for reputable information on the evolution of the domain name marketplace.

Read More.

CLOSES TODAY: A Request for Planning Prioritization Group FY24 Nominations

The updated Planning Prioritization Framework (Version 2) has been published on the ICANN Finance and Planning Community wiki workspace here (Planning Prioritization Framework V2). We would like to hold meetings with the community-based Planning Prioritization Group in September and early October 2022. This timing will permit ICANN org to receive input for the development of the Draft Operating Plan and Budget which is scheduled for Public Comment in December 2022. The prioritization process is a step in the annual ICANN planning process.

The scope of activities to be included in this prioritization process are Board-approved implementation work such as PDP recommendations, Specific Review recommendations and the implementation of other non-policy and advice work.

As the FY24 Planning Prioritization Group will comprise members from the same community groups that participated in the pilot, we ask that the relevant groups please either re-confirm that the member(s) from your group are available to continue their participation. Alternatively, please nominate 1 member and 1 secondary member by 25 August 2022 from your group as follows:

ASO, ALAC, GNSO/CSG, GNSO/CPH, GNSO/NCSG, ccNSO, GAC, RSSAC, SSAC

Please email the name of the members that you have nominated to planning@icann.org.
Copy policy-strat-mgt@icann.org by **25 August 2022 2022 at 23:59 UTC**.

Thank you in advance for your support for this new step in the ICANN planning process.

Please note, the Planning Team is available at ICANN75 for meetings on this topic

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REMINDER: ICANN Request for Proposal (RFP): PTI SOC2 & SOC3 Audits

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) organization is soliciting proposals to identify a provider to conduct service organization control audits. These audits represent an important component of the accountability ICANN has to Internet stakeholders for the proper performance of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority ("IANA") functions. The audits are mandated by the various contracts between ICANN and the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), the Regional Internet Registries (RIR) and Public Technical Identifiers (PTI).

Indications of interest should be emailed to PTI.SOC2.SOC3.Audits-RFP@icann.org. Proposals should be electronically submitted using ICANN's sourcing tool by 23:59 UTC on 20 September 2022. Access to this tool may be requested via the same email.

Participants to indicate interest by 26 August 2022
Participants submit any questions via RPF portal by 02 September 2022

REMINDER: **NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations**

The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations for the 2023 Mentor Program. This appointment will serve for the ICANN76-78 meetings. Nominations must be submitted no later than **Tuesday 31 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. I

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

REMINDER: **NextGen@ICANN Program Selection Committee Nominations**

The NextGen@ICANN Program is seeking nominations to fill 3-5 slots for selection committee members. Each SO/AC is asked to nominate candidates for these positions. Individual self-nominations will not be considered. Interested community groups should select their respective NextGen@ICANN volunteers by **Friday, 16 September 2022**. Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org. Each selection committee member will serve for a period of 2 years beginning with ICANN76. For program details please visit our page.

REMINDER: **Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN76**

ICANN is calling for applications for the NextGen@ICANN program.

ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the Latin America and Caribbean region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN76 Community Forum Meeting. ICANN76 is scheduled to be held in Cancún, Mexico from **11–16 March 2023**. If ICANN76 is held virtually, the NextGen@ICANN program will also be held virtually. The NextGen application window will remain open until **24 October 2022**. Successful candidates will be announced on **29 November 2022**.

Read more.
Apply here.

Public Comment

NEW: Registration Data Consensus Policy for gTLDs
Open for Submissions Date: 24 August 2022
Closed for Submissions Date: 31 October 2022

See **upcoming proceedings**.

See **other public consultations**.

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