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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The ICANN77 GAC Communiqué is available for review here

Read more.

NEW: A Look Back at ICANN77

More than 1,100 people attended in person in Washington, D.C., and another 630 joined online.

Read more.

NEW: **2023 ICANN Community Excellence Award Honors Donna Austin**

ICANN Interim President and CEO Sally Costerton presented the award to Donna Austin during the ICANN77 Community Networking Cocktail on 14 June 2023.

Read more.

NEW: **ICANN77 Multilingual read-out (by EURALO)**

This readout webinar, in a pitch tour format, is to summarize and discuss selected topics from the ICANN77 Meeting.

Speakers from the different constituencies will provide an overview of the highlights and key take-aways

Registration link: https://icann.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJctd-6srTsuHtKo7E6EDiq7Xjs92oSUoowR#/registration
Wiki page: https://community.icann.org/x/r4_ZDg

Information Sharing

NEW: **Coalition for Digital Africa Expands Top-Level Domain Performance Monitoring**

The Coalition for Digital Africa is launching another initiative aimed at strengthening Internet infrastructure to bring more Africans online. This latest project is focused on installing two new monitoring probe nodes in the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers' (ICANN) service level agreement monitoring (SLAM) system within the Africa region. This will provide more accurate measurements of service availability and performance monitoring experienced by Internet users in Africa.

Read more.

NEW: **Approved Resolutions | Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board | 11 June 2023**

Please find the Approved Resolutions from the 11 June 2023 Regular meeting of the ICANN Board here.

NEW: **ICANN LAC Community to Celebrate Domain Names Week**

This four-day hybrid event will take place 10-13 July in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The focus of this year's event is mitigating Domain Name System (DNS) abuse as a shared responsibility.

Read more.

NEW: **2023 ICANN DNS Symposium to Be Held in Da Nang, Vietnam**

The symposium invites researchers, developers, and operators to present on subjects including, but not limited to, blockchains, Internet of Things, and novel uses of the DNS, such as IP-to-location translation and blocklists.

Read more.

NEW: **U.N. Secretary General Policy Report: Considerations for the ICANN Community**

Please note that this blog is intended for informational purposes only. Comments or lack of commentary should not be interpreted as endorsements or criticism of the policy brief; rather, the intent is to surface statements or assessments where assumption or interpretation may impact the outcome of the proposals for potential changes.

Read more.

NEW: **ICANN Africa Engagement Forum: Virtual and In-person Gathering in Ghana**

ICANN announced that it will host the second Africa Engagement Forum on 25-27 July 2023 at the Marriott Hotel in Accra, Ghana. The Forum aims to encourage the active involvement of African community members in Internet governance by promoting their participation in ICANN.

Read more.

NEW: **ICANN Support for Registrants Impacted by Epik Inc.**

This blog highlights resources that are available under ICANN agreements and policies for registrants experiencing issues with their domain name registrations with Epik. The blog also explains the actions ICANN org is taking to ensure this registrar complies with its contractual obligations.

Read more.

NEW OCTO Publication: **Round-Trip Times Between Resolvers and IMRS**

The goal of the research described in this document is to inform the community about how long it takes for resolvers that are "average" and "far" from an IMRS instance to get answers to their queries. This study focuses on measuring expected performance for resolvers that connect to IMRS.

Read more.

Webinar

NEW: **Join the Webinar – ICANN for Beginners: Universal Acceptance**

The webinar will introduce newcomers to the basics of UA, why it matters, and ICANN's involvement in UA. Participants will also learn how they can get involved in UA initiatives.

It will be held during two time slots (you only need to register for one of the webinars):

12 July 2023 at 15:00 UTC |Click here to register

13 July 2023 at 6:00 UTC |Click here to register

Closing date for registration is **12 July 2023**.

Read more.

Action Items

NEW: **Request for Feedback: Draft Framework for Closed Generic gTLDs**

The community participants in the ongoing Closed Generics Facilitated Dialogue are requesting community feedback on a Draft Framework that can underpin additional policy work for handling closed generic gTLDs in future rounds of gTLDs. Individuals and community groups may provide feedback through their respective staff support teams or via email to closed-generics-feedback@icann.org by **15 July 2023**.

Community feedback on the Draft Framework will inform the group's development of a final framework, which is expected to be used as a basis for subsequent policy development work should there be broad community support for the final framework.

The Draft Framework and more information about the Facilitated Dialogue can be found on this wiki page: https://community.icann.org/x/Io6ZDg

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 ACTION ITEM: **Register for the Asia Pacific Domain Name System Forum 2023**

ICANN and the Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation (HKIRC) invite interested participants to register for the Asia Pacific (APAC) Domain Name System (DNS) Forum 2023 in Hong Kong, China. A dedicated website has also launched to provide more information about the forum.

The APAC DNS Forum 2023 will be held **4–5 July 2023** as a hybrid event at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC).

Read more.

Public Comment

CLOSES MONDAY: **ISPCP Constituency Charter Amendments**
Open for submissions date: 09 May 2023
Closed for submissions date: 26 June 2023

PTI / IANA Governance Proposal
Open for submissions date: 16 May 2023
Closed for submissions date: 05 July 2023

Amendments to the Base gTLD RA and RAA to Modify DNS Abuse Contract Obligations
Open for submissions date: 29 May 2023
Closed for submissions date: 13 July 2023

See **upcoming proceedings**.

See **other public consultations**.

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