Leadership Program

Welcome to the Workspace of the Leadership Program!

Participation in the Leadership Program:

The 2024 LP session is scheduled to take place 29 February - 1 March 2024, two days prior to the ICANN79 Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Participation in the program is through nominations made by the leadership of each ICANN community group. Nominations have for this next program have not yet begun.

Please Note: The Leadership Program does not provide financial support for travel to Puerto Rico, but does cover accommodations and offer a stipend for the days of the program.

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Past LPs:

- 2024 Leadership Program
- 2023 Leadership Program
- 2019 Leadership Program
- 2018 Leadership Program
- 2017 Leadership Program
- 2015 Leadership Program
 2014 Leadership Program
- 2013 Leadership Program

Leadership Program Basics:

The ICANN Academy Leadership Program (LP) is designed for current and incoming leaders, helping to increase understanding of the complexity of ICANN and to develop facilitation skills.

The ICANN Academy Working Group and the program organizers consisting of participants from each AC/SO/SG, are aware that understanding ICANN as an organization, the topics discussed within ICANN, and interaction within other stakeholder groups is challenging for incoming leaders, but sometimes also for experienced leaders.

ICANN and the community are making considerable efforts in order to help incoming leaders have a good start to their terms and to provide current leaders the opportunity to strengthen their leadership and facilitation skills.

Opportunities for Leadership Program participants include the following:

- Meet leaders from the other AC/SOs
- Discuss important ICANN topics in an in-depth manner
- Deepen the understanding of key ICANN processes
- Develop facilitation and leadership skills, focused personal effectiveness to run meetings and foster processes

All participants are also encouraged to complete customized online courses available through ICANN Learn.

The number of seats in the LP are allocated as follows:

Community Group	Number of Seats
ASO	2
Board of Directors	5
ccNSO	2
GAC	3
RSSAC	2
SSAC	2
ALAC:	5 Total:
• AFRALO	1

• APRALO	1
• EURALO	1
• LACRALO	1
• NARALO	1
GNSO:	10 Total:
GNSO Council	1
• BC	1
• IPC	1
• ISPCP	1
• NCSG	1
• NCUC	1
• NPOC	1
• RrSG	1
• RySG	1
Total Seats	30

Background of the LP:

The LP is a community effort developed by the ICANN Academy Working Group, an ICANN wide group consisting of participants from each AC/SO /SG.

Seven LP sessions have been held for current and incoming ICANN leaders with very positive feedback from its participants.

The 2013 LP took place on the sidelines of the ICANN48 Meeting in Buenos Aires in November 2013. The 2014 LP took place the week prior to ICANN51 Meeting in Los Angeles in October 2014. The 2015 LP took place the week prior to ICANN54 Meeting in Dublin in October 2015. The 2017 LP took place the week prior to ICANN58 in Copenhagen in March 2017, the 2018 LP took place the week prior to ICANN61 in Puerto Rico in March 2018, the 2019 LP took place the week prior to ICANN64 in Kobe in March 2019, and the 2023 LP took place two days before the ICANN76 meeting in Cancún.