Community Onboarding Pilot Program



The Community Onboarding Pilot Program is designed to improve engagement and retention of new participants within ICANN by creating a structured, year-round (not meeting-focused) onboarding process tailored by and for each community group.

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This program was born out of discussions between the community and the ICANN organization starting at ICANN49 and concluding at ICANN51. Driven by the IANA Functions Stewardship Transition's growing demands on the community, this broader consultation process sought to address volunteer burnout and improve newcomer retention rates. In January 2016, the Pilot was launched in order to develop an individualized, tailored mentorship process. The Pilot will conclude in FY18.

On-boarding resources and materials include:

information on how to facilitate entrance into policy development

working groups facilitation and leadership training

mentorship within the community to continue the newcomer's journey for continued engagement and investment into ICANN

The program consists of three pillars:

- 1. Welcome: timely welcome of new community member
- 2. Onboarding: structured courses, materials and tools for individuals to learn about a community and how to participate
- 3. Mentoring: individualized peer-mentoring for selected individuals

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The COP mailing list is intended to keep the conversation going between former program participants.

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Program Participants

ICANN62 Participants:

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