ICANN Community Leadership Digest

The ICANN org Policy Development Support function publishes this twice-weekly digest
to help ICANN community leaders track requests and follow updates.

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NEW: FY23 Strategic Outlook Trend Identification Sessions
From: Xavier Calvez, Senior Vice President, Planning and Chief Financial Officer

ICANN is kicking off the FY23 Strategic Outlook trend identification process. ICANN community members will have the opportunity to participate in trend identification sessions via their Supporting Organization (SO) or Advisory Committee (AC).

ICANN org will collaborate with SO and AC chairs and support teams to schedule their sessions over the next few weeks. We are targeting to complete the trend sessions by the end of March. All strategic outlook sessions will be conducted virtually. ICANN community members are encouraged to join this important discussion. Once complete, ICANN org will conduct a trend analysis and impact assessment.

The Strategic Outlook Program is a joint effort of ICANN org, community, and Board to identify and track trends that are related to ICANN. This ensures that these opportunities and challenges are incorporated into current and future planning. Every year, new trends or shifts in existing trends impacting the operating plans (five-year or annual) and/or budget are factored into the annual iteration of those plans as appropriate. Significant shifts could also result in adjustments to the strategic plan.

We look forward to your participation in this dialogue about ICANN planning and strategy.

NEW: ICANN70 Publication Support

Design Deadline
For publication design assistance, please provide all the text, images, layout, and publication type/size requirements (i.e. newsletter, one-pager, trifold, etc.). Please keep in mind that all materials, new or updated, must be evergreen. There is a maximum of two design iterations per publication. Please provide everything by **Monday, 15 February 2021**.

Translation-only Deadline
For translation, please provide the final material(s) by **Friday, 26 February 2021.** This ensures that there is enough time to translate the publication. If the publication requires design assistance, please note that the final materials will have to be complete, including the edit/approval process, by this deadline in order to be translated.

Please work directly with your support team to submit these requests to evin.erdogdu@icann.org **and** liana.teo@icann.org.

HAPPENING THURSDAY: **Webinar on the Second Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR2) Review Team Final Report**
From: Theresa Swinehart, Senior Vice President, Global Domains & Strategy

A webinar on the Second Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR2) Review Team Final Report will be held on **Thursday, 11 February 2021 at 15:00 UTC** to brief the community on its final recommendations.

Participation details for the webinar, and call materials can be found **here**.

FRIDAY DEADLINE: **Volunteers Needed for Advisory Group on ICANN North America Stakeholder Engagement Plan**
From: Naela Sarras, Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement, North America

Community members are invited to join a short-term regional advisory group, that will help advise the GSE North America team on the development of the next iteration of the North America Stakeholder Engagement Plan. This effort seeks community input to enhance the important work of stakeholder engagement across North America by actively soliciting input into ICANN policy and work processes.

This advisory group will be time-limited (February-May 2021), will include two webinars, and be directed toward answering specific questions. With help from the community, the team hopes to surface implementable ideas with measurable impact to enhance engagement.

Kindly send your reply with one or two named volunteers for this activity by Friday, 12 February 2021. Please send your reply to naela.sarras@icann.org and joe.catapano@icann.org.

REMINDER: **ICANN Continues the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program**

The Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program aims to facilitate participation in ICANN Public Meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic, including the upcoming ICANN70 Virtual Community Forum. It offers financial assistance to ICANN community members who have limited Internet capacity to increase their Internet bandwidth.

ICANN community members interested in the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program must apply in advance of ICANN70. Those who meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to participate.

Nominations

ICANN community leaders will have the opportunity to nominate recipients. This includes **up to five nominees from each** of the three Supporting Organizations, four Advisory Committees, four GNSO Stakeholder Groups and five GNSO Constituencies, and five RALOs from At-Large.

In order to be reimbursed, all applicants must:
- Require additional bandwidth at home to facilitate their active participation during ICANN70.
- Have a valid personal bank account for ICANN org to wire the reimbursement funds.
- Register for ICANN70.
- Attend a minimum of four official ICANN70 sessions.

Once ICANN community leaders have established their nominees, they can inform their nominees to apply for the program **here** beginning Monday, 8 February 2021.

Chairs should send their list to travelsupport@icann.org so that ICANN org can verify the applications. Chairs and community leaders will have until Monday, 1 March 2021 to complete this nomination process.

All applications are due by Friday, 5 March 2021.

Learn more.

REMINDER: **ICANN Nominating Committee Application Period Now Open**

The ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) invites interested individuals to submit applications for key leadership positions. Selected individuals will have a unique opportunity to work with accomplished colleagues from around the globe to help shape the Internet's technical coordination and policy development.

The deadline to submit applications is **Thursday, 18 March 2021 at 23:59 UTC.** Applications should be submitted via the online **candidate portal**. All applications are confidential.

Learn more.

REMINDER: **Nomination Period for the ICANN Community Excellence Award Now Open**
From: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support

The nomination period for the ICANN Community Excellence Award 2020 is now open. The winner(s) will be announced during ICANN71. The ICANN Community Excellence Award recognizes ICANN community members who substantively contribute to policymaking within the ICANN ecosystem and who are deeply invested in developing consensus-based solutions within ICANN's multistakeholder model. Learn more about the nomination process and **submit your nominations here** by **Monday, 29 March 2021**.

Public Comment

Draft FY22-26 Operating & Financial Plan and Draft FY22 Operating Plan & Budget
CLOSES IN ONE WEEK: Monday, 15 February 2021

Second Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR2) Review Team Final Report
Close Date: Tuesday, 9 March 2021

Additional Reference Label Generation Rulesets (LGRs) for the Second Level
Close Date: Thursday, 11 March 2021

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