ICANN Community Leadership Digest

This twice-weekly digest helps ICANN community leaders track requests and provides updates from ICANN.org.

Requests

FOUR DAYS LEFT: Multistakeholder Ethos Award Nominations
From: Mary Wong
Executive: David Olive

FOR: All Community Leaders

REQUEST
The nomination period for the ICANN Multistakeholder Ethos Award is now open. Candidates for the award will demonstrate at least five years of participation in the ICANN community. Candidates will be evaluated by a panel of community members appointed by the chairs of each Supporting Organization and Advisory Committee using a merit-based point system evaluated against three criteria. Learn more here.

ACTION
Please submit your nominations by Monday, 8 April 2019, via this Nomination Form including detailed information outlining why the nominee meets the award criteria. Re-nominations from previous years are welcome! Please contact ethosaward2019@icann.org for guidance on re-submitting a nomination from a previous year. Any additional information in support of nominations and/or questions about the award process may be submitted via email as well.

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REMINDER: Call to Participate in NomCom RIWG
From: Tom Barrett
Executive: Theresa Swinehart

FOR: All Community Leaders

REQUEST
Following the announcement on ICANN.org on 25 March, I would like to request you encourage members of your community groups to participate in the Nominating Committee Review Implementation Working Group (NomCom RIWG). Volunteers should send an email to reviews@icann.org with the request to join before Wednesday, 17 April 2019.

BACKGROUND
On 14 March 2019, the ICANN Board accepted the NomCom Review Final Report and the NomCom Review Implementation Planning Team’s Feasibility Assessment and Initial Implementation Plan. The Board also resolved that “the NomCom Review Implementation Planning Team convene a working group that drafts a detailed implementation plan of the recommendations, as detailed in the FAIIP [...]. The working group shall also work with ICANN organization to include expected budgetary implications for each of the implementation steps into its detailed implementation plan.” The Board also directed “the NomCom Review implementation working group to oversee the implementation process, once the Board has accepted the detailed implementation plan.” See the ICANN Board resolution here.

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REMINDER: Age Diversity Survey
From: Ergys Ramaj
Executive: Sally Costerton
FOR: All Community Leaders

REQUEST
By Friday, 19 April 2019, all community leaders should please complete an age diversity survey, as well as encourage their respective groups to participate in the community-wide survey, which is available at https://go.icann.org/agesurvey.

ACTION
The survey is designed to determine current perceptions of age diversity in the ICANN community and to identify potential barriers to participation. The purpose of this survey is to inform community discussions on diversity, following calls for additional data on this topic.

We invite all community members to take part. Responses will be anonymous and used in accordance with the ICANN Privacy Policy. The survey is available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish.

It takes only twelve to fifteen minutes to support diverse and meaningful engagement. Please email any questions to agesurvey@icann.org.

REMINDER: Volunteers for IRP IOT
From: Samantha Eisner
Executive: John Jeffrey

FOR: SO/AC Chairs

REQUEST
Volunteers are needed to re-compose the Independent Review Process (IRP) Implementation Oversight Team (IOT), which will develop published Supplemental Procedures for ICANN’s Independent Review Process. The work of the IRP IOT is important to ICANN’s accountability and sets many procedures around how IRPs are administered.

BACKGROUND
Under the ICANN Bylaws, ICANN is required to consult with the SOs and ACs regarding the establishment of the IRP IOT. Last October, the IRP IOT produced an interim set of Supplemental Procedures that were adopted by the ICANN Board during ICANN63, and now a final set of Supplemental Procedures is needed. For many team meetings, the IRP IOT rarely had more than the five participants required for a quorum, and frequently faced challenges meeting a quorum. The goal of this team is to reach a final set of Supplemental Procedures that reflects input from across the ICANN community, which prompts this request for additional volunteers to join. We are thankful to those who have been regular participants thus far, and hope that they continue, but this is a very important and heavy load to be shouldered by so few community members.

ACTION
Please promote the opportunity to volunteer as a member of the IRP IOT within your community. For more information, please contact Samantha Eisner at <samantha.eisner@icann.org>.

Information Sharing

NEW: Transitioning ICANN’s Remote Participation Platform to Zoom
From: Ashwin Rangan
Executive: Ashwin Rangan

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
Please read the latest blog from Ashwin Rangan about the transition to Zoom as the official remote participation platform for ICANN here.

REMINDER: Cross-Community and High Interest Topic Proposals for ICANN65
From: SO/AC Support
Executive: David Olive

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
Per the production timeline shared at the ICANN65 Kick-Off Meeting during ICANN64, the submission period for proposed cross-community and high interest topic sessions is Monday, 15 to Friday, 19
REMINDER: ICANN65 Schedule Planning: First Production Teleconference
From: Susie Johnson
Executive: David Olive

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
Please save the date for the first production teleconference for the ICANN65 schedule on Thursday, 25 April at 14:00 UTC. Calendar invitations have been sent to the community ICANN Public Meeting planning mailing list.

REMINDER: CROP Deadline for ICANN65
From: CROP Staff
Executive: David Olive

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
The Community Regional Outreach Program (CROP) for FY19 will end on 30 June 2019. For groups planning to use CROP funds to conduct outreach during ICANN65, requests must be submitted no later than Monday, 6 May 2019. No exceptions will be made.

When submitting a CROP travel request, please keep in mind the following:
- Trip requests must be approved by your respective community leadership team.
- For FY19, the trip request must be filled in by the CROP participant (you) via the CROP Wiki space.
- In order to access the Wiki space, you must first have an account; please let your CROP Coordinator know if you need an account.
- All individuals requesting CROP funding must also review the CROP Guidelines prior to submitting a request: https://community.icann.org/xvIoFBQ.

Please contact <crop-staff@icann.org> with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: ICANN65 Community Leadership Reception
From: Susie Johnson
Executive: David Olive

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
Save the date for the ICANN65 Community Leadership Reception with members of the ICANN Board and Executive Team on Sunday, 23 June 2019, 18:00-20:00 CET in Marrakech, Morocco. Details will be confirmed as the date approaches.

LOOKING AHEAD: New Travel Support Timeline
From: Travel Support
Executive: Sally Costerton

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
All travel support requests are now due 120 days prior to the next ICANN Public Meeting. This was previously a 90-day deadline. Therefore, the deadline for ICANN66 travel support is Friday, 5 July 2019. If applicable, community groups will need to adjust their election timelines accordingly to ensure new leaders are eligible in time for the ICANN66 travel support deadline.

Public Comment

GNSO Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Policy Recommendations for ICANN Board Consideration
Proposal for Hebrew Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules
Close Date: 18 April 2019

Proposed Renewal of .info Registry Agreement
Close Date: 29 April 2019

Proposed Renewal of .org Registry Agreement
Close Date: 29 April 2019

Proposed Renewal of .asia Registry Agreement
Close Date: 7 May 2019

Proposed Renewal of .biz Registry Agreement
Close Date: 14 May 2019