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ICANN Community Leadership Digest

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

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Information Sharing

NEW: CCT-RT Recommendations
Executive: Theresa Swinehart, Senior Vice President, Multistakeholder Strategy and Strategic Initiatives
FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
The ICANN Board passed a resolution on 1 March 2019 that calls for a set of Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Review Team (CCT-RT) Final Recommendations to be passed through, in whole or in part, to community groups. Notifications will be circulated to the community group the CCT-RT identified for the fourteen passed through recommendations. As articulated in the Board resolution, “passing through these CCT-RT recommendations is not a directive that the groups identified should formally address any of the issues within those recommendations. It is within the purview of each group to identify whether work will be taken on and the topics that the group will address”.

BACKGROUND
The CCT-RT released its Final Report on 8 September 2018. It contains 35 recommendations and is the culmination of nearly three years of work, reviewing how the expansion of top-level domain names impacted competition, consumer trust, and choice. More information about the CCT Review and Specific Reviews.
The ICANN Board took action on each of the 35 recommendations produced by the CCT-RT on 1 March 2019 and was informed by public comment input received on the Final Report. The Board’s decisions on each recommendation are documented here and a blog post about the Board action can be found here for more context.

NEXT WEEK: End of Rejection Action Petition Period
Executive: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support
FOR: All Community Leaders
INFORMATION SHARING
Under the ICANN Bylaws, the ICANN Board’s approval of the FY20 Operating Plan and Budget and updates to the Five-Year Operating Plan on Wednesday, 8 May 2019 triggered a Rejection Action Petition Period for the Empowered Community. This 21-day period will end at 23:59 PDT (Los Angeles being the location of the principal ICANN office) on Wednesday, 29 May 2019, or 06:59 UTC on Thursday, 30 May 2019.

The ICANN Bylaws also require that Decisional Participants in the Empowered Community “promptly inform their constituents” of the delivery of the relevant ICANN Board notices.

Please refer to Annex D of the ICANN Bylaws for additional details on the Rejection Process, including all pertinent deadlines and requirements for Rejection Action Petitions.

LOOKING AHEAD: ICANN66 Travel Support Timeline
Executive: Sally Costerton, Senior Advisor to the President and CEO; Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement
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.

ICANN65 Planning

NEW: Invitation to Meet with Brian Cute in Marrakech
Executive: Theresa Swinehart, Senior Vice President, Multistakeholder Strategy and Strategic Initiatives
FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING
A high interest topic session on the future of the multistakeholder model of governance is planned for ICANN65. Facilitator Brian Cute is interested in updating the community on the work that has been done to date and discuss how a work plan to address the community-identified issues will be developed following ICANN65. Community leaders interested in scheduling time to meet with Brian Cute in Marrakech can email <evolvingmsm@icann.org>.

SAVE THE DATE: ICANN65 Community Leadership Reception
Executive: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support
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.

REMINDER: Meet with the ATRT3 Review Team at ICANN65
Executive: Theresa Swinehart, Senior Vice President, Multistakeholder Strategy and Strategic Initiatives
FOR: All SO/AC Chairs

INFORMATION SHARING
The third Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3) will meet in Marrakech to advance its work. As some of the team will be in Marrakech we would like to ask for a 30 to 40-minute slot on your community group’s agenda, if possible.

Community input is key to the success of this process. If you are able to accommodate us on your agenda, please send us an email to <atrt3-coordination@icann.org> to let us know a day and time that would suit. We will send you a preliminary set of questions ahead of the meeting to aid the discussion. We also welcome any questions you wish to raise in advance.
Our goal for Marrakech is to:
- Socialize our terms of reference and scope;
- Conduct investigation of identified objectives
- Seek input from the community to help us shape our findings and draft recommendations.

BACKGROUND
The ATRT review is mandated by ICANN Bylaws Section 4.6 (b) to examine ICANN’s execution of its commitment to maintain and improve robust mechanisms for public input, accountability, and transparency so as to ensure that the outcomes of its decision-making reflect the public interest and are accountable to the Internet community.

Prior to meeting in Marrakech, the review team met on 3-5 April in Los Angeles for its first substantive meeting to develop our terms of reference and work plan, in response to the Board Resolution (2018.10.25.15) requesting that “ATRT3 adopt its Terms of Reference and Work Plan within 60 days of convening its first meeting, and submit these documents to the Board and to the leadership of the Supporting Organizations and the Advisory Committees, to confirm that the team’s scope and timeline are consistent with the requirements of the ICANN Bylaws and ICANN community expectations.”

We look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks and best regards,

Cheryl Langdon-Orr and Pat Kane, ATRT3 Co-Chairs

Public Comment

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  Close Date: Monday, 15 July 2019