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: NextGen@ICANN Survey

Executive: Sally Costerton, Senior Adviser to President and Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING

The ICANN organization is initiating a community consultation to identify improvement opportunities for the NextGen@ICANN Program. The review will start with gathering community input about several aspects of the NextGen@ICANN Program, including its purpose, goals, processes, and synergies with the ICANN academic community.

The survey is intended for all ICANN community groups; individuals are encouraged to work with their relevant Supporting Organizations, Advisory Committees, stakeholder groups, and constituencies.

Based on the input received from the survey, ICANN org will draft a proposal for program improvements that will be published for Public Comment. Once all feedback is received, ICANN org will prepare the final proposal for program improvements.

Survey (PDF with background at the beginning and questionnaire questions at the end)

Background about the Community Consultation

Sally Costerton's blog about the NextGen@ICANN Community Consultation

NextGen webpage
**REMINDER:** Update and Information on IRP IOT Re-Composition  
**Executive:** John Jeffrey, General Counsel  

**FOR:** All SO/AC Chairs  

**INFORMATION SHARING**  
As the ICANN Board committee with oversight responsibility of ICANN's accountability mechanisms, the Board Accountability Mechanisms Committee (BAMC) considers the work of the [Independent Review Process (IRP)](https://www.icann.org/en/icann-organizations/irp) Implementation Oversight Team (IOT) to be paramount to ICANN's accountability...we seek your help in finding additional volunteers within the community that meet the qualifications identified in the attached letter, outlining skills and experience requirements, to join the IOT and help to conclude its work in a timely fashion. Read more.

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**REMINDER:** Planning Assumptions for Subsequent Procedures for New gTLDs  
**Executive:** Cyrus Namazi, Senior Vice President, Global Domains Division  

**FOR:** All Community Leaders  

**INFORMATION SHARING**  
In December 2015, the GNSO initiated a Policy Development Process (PDP) to determine if changes to existing policy recommendations are needed before the next round of gTLDs. The PDP Working Group expects to publish its final report with its recommendations by December 2019. These recommendations may lead to procedural changes for subsequent rounds of gTLD applications, which ICANN org must implement and manage. In the course of our preparatory work toward the planning and implementation of the new policy, ICANN org has compiled a number of fundamental operationally focused assumptions to help with the preliminary planning and operational readiness of the organization. These assumptions have been shared with the ICANN Board, and now ICANN org would like to share them with relevant parts of the community.

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**Public Comment**

- **Process Proposal for Streamlining Organizational Reviews**  
  **Close Date:** Monday, 15 July 2019

- **Study on Technical Use of Root Zone Label Generation Rules**  
  **Close Date:** Friday, 19 July

- **Fundamental Bylaws Amendment Proposal -- IANA Naming Function Review**  
  **Close Date:** Friday, 26 July 2019

- **Revisions to the ICANN Bylaws re SSAC and RSSAC Leadership**  
  **Close Date:** Friday, 26 July 2019

- **Proposed IANA SLAs for Publishing LGRs/IDN Tables**  
  **Close Date:** Friday, 26 July 2019

  **Close Date:** 4 August 2019

- **Draft Financial Assumptions & Projections and Operating Initiatives for the Development of the Fiscal Years 2021-2025 Operating & Financial Plan**  
  **Close Date:** Monday, 5 August 2019

- **Evolving the Governance of the Root Server System**  
  **Close Date:** Friday, 9 August 2019

- **Proposed Definition of Name Collisions and Scope of Inquiry for the Name Collisions Analysis Project**  
  **Close Date:** Monday, 12 August 2019