ICANN Community Leadership Digest

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

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Information Sharing

**NEW:** Revised Schedule for Public Comment on Two Key ICANN Plans

**ICANN org Announcement**

FOR: All Community Leaders

**INFORMATION SHARING**
The Public Comment proceeding for the Draft FY21-FY25 Operating and Financial Plan and Draft FY21 Operating Plan and Budget has changed. Originally scheduled for Tuesday, 17 December 2019, drafts of the two plans will now be available beginning Friday, 20 December 2019.

This date change may impact previously scheduled meetings intended for the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees to begin their review. ICANN org is prepared to provide those groups with the table of contents of the documents and other information that may be helpful prior to the release of the complete drafts. Please email planning@icann.org to request. Information also will be published on the Finance community wiki page.

In addition, the Public Comment proceeding has been extended by 7 days to 58 days (excluding holidays) to give the community more time to review the documents.

To learn more and ask questions during the Public Comment window, webinars will be held on:
- Thursday, 9 January 2020 at 01:00 UTC [https://icann.zoom.us/j/935036343](https://icann.zoom.us/j/935036343)
- Thursday, 9 January 2020 at 16:00 UTC [https://icann.zoom.us/j/506858960](https://icann.zoom.us/j/506858960)
- Monday, 14 January 2020 at 16:00 UTC [https://icann.zoom.us/j/257109807](https://icann.zoom.us/j/257109807)

More details about how to join these webinars will be available in January. ICANN org staff is available to meet with individual community groups to answer questions and help increase understanding about the plans. Please email [planning@icann.org](mailto:planning@icann.org) to request a meeting.

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**DUE TODAY:** NextGen@ICANN Community Consultation

**Executive:** Sally Costerton, Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement

FOR: All Community Leaders

**INFORMATION SHARING**
The NextGen@ICANN program is currently undergoing a community consultation.
One request from the preliminary feedback received to-date was for ICANN org to explore the feasibility of having community volunteer representatives from Supporting Organizations (SOs), Advisory Committees (ACs), Stakeholder Groups (SGs), and Constituencies (Cs) to nominate individuals for the following two roles:

1. NextGen Selection Committee members
2. NextGen mentors

For the Selection Committee, a time commitment of approximately 20 hours over three weeks is required (for each application round). Selection Committee members will typically serve for two years (or six application rounds).

Mentors are expected to devote approximately 24 hours to pre-ICANN Public Meeting preparation with their mentees, to offer advice, networking support, and regular check-ins on-site, and to complete evaluations following the ICANN Public Meeting. Based on previous estimates, mentors spend about two hours per week during the six-week preparation period in advance of the meeting and about two hours per day providing on-site support at the ICANN Public Meeting. Mentors will typically serve for one year (or three meetings).

Is your group interested in nominating individuals for either of these roles? By Monday, 16 December 2019, please take the following poll to help ICANN org gauge the level of community interest. The findings of this poll will inform the proposed NextGen program approach that will be published for Public Comment.

Note: You will not be asked to submit the names of potential volunteers for roles at this time.

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**REMINDER: Opportunity for Strategic Outlook Trends Identification Sessions at ICANN67**

Executive: Theresa Swinehart, Senior Vice President, Multistakeholder Strategy and Strategic Initiatives

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING

ICANN org will hold Strategic Outlook Trends Identification sessions with the community at ICANN67. To prepare for that exercise, ICANN org will be seeking community feedback on possible formats and arrangements which will be sent through each community group’s leadership.

The Strategic Outlook program is a joint effort among ICANN org, the community, and ICANN Board to identify and track trends that relate to ICANN and its mission and to make sure that relating opportunities and challenges are incorporated into ICANN’s current and future strategy. New trends or shifts in existing trends impacting the operating plans (five-year or annual), and/or budget, will be factored into the annual iteration of those plans as appropriate. Significant shifts could also result in adjustments to the strategic plan.

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**REMINDER: FY21 SO/AC Additional Budget Request Process**

Executive: Xavier Calvez, Chief Financial Officer

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING

The Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) Supporting Organization and Advisory Committee (SO/AC) Additional Budget Request process has begun. This additional budget approval process is part of the overall ICANN annual budgeting process that is for the review of specific requests from the community that are not already included in the budget but serve to further the key objectives of the requesting community group. Your active participation and adherence to procedural guidelines is greatly appreciated.

Information concerning the FY21 SO/AC Additional Budget Request process, including timeline and request template can be found on the finance community wiki. Additional Budget Requests are due Friday, 31 January 2020.

Please email any questions that you may have to planning@icann.org.

We look forward to your continued engagement on the SO/AC Additional Budget Request process for FY21.

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**REMINDER: ICANN Fellowship Program Mentors**

From: Sally Costerton, Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement

FOR: All Community Leaders

INFORMATION SHARING

ICANN’s Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) are invited to nominate one individual each (total of seven) to serve as a mentor in the ICANN Fellowship Program.

Mentors will serve a term that includes three consecutive ICANN Public Meetings, beginning with ICANN68. They will provide extensive pre-meeting preparation and on-site support for their assigned fellows, as well as complete a survey after each meeting.

Mentors are expected to follow Fellowship Program guidelines to help ensure consistency in capacity
development opportunities for fellows. They also play an important role to help fellows actively participate in ICANN's work. Mentors will receive travel funding support.

Mentors cannot serve on the Fellowship Program Selection Committee at the same time they are serving as mentors. For more information on the guidelines and expectations for mentors, please read about the program here.

SOs/ACs should first select their respective Fellowship Program mentor by Friday, 31 January 2020, and notify fellowshipconsultation@icann.org. Individual self-nominations will not be considered.

**ICANN67 Planning**

**RE**MINDER: ICANN67 Publication Support
From: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support
FOR: All Community Leaders

**INFORMATION SHARING**

**Design Deadline**
If you require design assistance for an ICANN67 publication, all text, images, layout, and publication type/size requirements (i.e. newsletter, 1-pager, tri-fold, etc.) are due Friday, 3 January 2020. Please ensure that all materials, new or updated, are evergreen.

**Translation Deadline**
If your ICANN67 publication requires translation, please provide the final material(s) by Monday, 27 January 2020. This ensures that there is enough time to translate the publication by the print deadline. If your materials require design assistance (outlined above), please note that the final materials will have to be complete, including the edit/approval process, by this deadline in order to be translated.

**Print-Only Deadline**
If you only need your ICANN67 publication printed (meaning your publication is ready to send directly to the printer and needs no translation or design/layout modifications), please provide the file along with the quantity you want printed and dimensions of the publication by Friday, 7 February 2020.

Please work directly with your support staff to submit these requests to chantelle.doerksen@icann.org and liana.teo@icann.org.

**RE**MINDER: CROP Deadline for ICANN67
From: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support
FOR: All Community Leaders

**INFORMATION SHARING**

For eligible groups planning to use Community Regional Outreach Program (CROP) funds to conduct outreach during ICANN67, requests must be submitted no later than Friday, 17 January 2020. No exceptions will be made.

When submitting a CROP travel request, please keep in mind the following: Trip requests must be approved by the respective community leadership team. For FY20, the trip request must be filled in by the CROP participant via the CROP workspace. In order to access it, applicants must first have an account; please let the CROP coordinator know if you need an account. All individuals requesting CROP funding must also review the CROP Guidelines prior to submitting a request.

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

**Public Comment**

[Registration Directory Service (WHOIS2) Review Team Final Report
Close Date: Monday, 23 December 2019]

[Proposal for Future Root Zone KSK Rollover
Close Date: Friday, 31 January 2020]