

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.

FEEDBACK REQUESTED

Reflecting on the first year of this digest, ICANN org seeks your feedback. Please take this [brief survey](#) by **Friday, 10 April**.

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NEW: Staff Report for the Public Comment Proceeding on ICANN's Draft FY21-25 Operating and Financial Plan and Draft FY21 Operating Plan and Budget Now Available

From: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support

On 27 March 2020, ICANN published the [staff report](#) on the Public Comment proceeding of [ICANN's Draft FY21-25 Operating and Financial Plan and Draft FY21 Operating Plan and Budget](#). The proceeding ran from 20 December 2019 to 25 February 2020.

The ICANN organization will send the FY21-25 Operating and Financial Plan and FY21 Operating Plan and Budget to the Board for adoption early May. At the same time, ICANN will publish this document so the community has the opportunity to review it.

Since concluding the Public Comment process, the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting significantly the entire world. ICANN expects that its activities and financial position will be significantly impacted as well. The ICANN org is working with the Board to assess and monitor the potential impact to ICANN's funding, functional activities and operating initiatives, and the corresponding expense levels. The org remains committed to transparency, and any changes to the current Draft FY21-25 Operating and Financial Plan, and FY21 Operating Plan and Budget plans will be shared with the community in the coming weeks, prior to Board approval.

ICANN thanks all stakeholders who contributed to the submission of comments during this public comment period. Your participation in ICANN's planning and budgeting process is critical to continuously enhance ICANN's accountability and transparency.

TODAY: Participate in Open Strategic Outlook Trends Sessions

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

ICANN invites the community to participate in an open strategic outlook trends session to help ICANN continue to be aware of trends that affect its mission and mandate. These sessions will build on past trend identification work to update our shared understanding of opportunities and challenges relevant to ICANN's current and future strategy. ICANN will hold two remote sessions for those unable to attend the stakeholder group-specific sessions planned. Participation is limited to 40 participants per session, on a first-come, first-served basis due to the breakout format. Sessions will be held in English.

Session #1

Monday, 30 March 2020, 15:00-16:30 UTC: <https://icann.zoom.us/j/549213104>

Session #2

Monday, 30 March 2020, 23:00-00:30 UTC: <https://icann.zoom.us/j/549213104>

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Close Date: Tuesday, 31 March 2020

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Close date: Tuesday, 5 May 2020