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NEW: Country Code Top-Level Domain Participation in ICANN's Domain Abuse Activity Reporting System
From: Dr. Samaneh Tajalizadehkhoob, Lead Security, Stability, and Resiliency (SSR) Specialist, Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO)

Since late 2019, country code top-level domains (ccTLDs) have been able to voluntarily participate in the Domain Abuse Activity Reporting (DAAR) system designed by ICANN's Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO). The DAAR system is used to study and report on domain name registration and security threat behavior across top-level domain (TLD) registries. Today, we are happy to announce the first eight ccTLDs who joined the project, .au, .ee, .ew, .nu, .se, .sv, .tw, .tz, are able to receive the DAAR data on a daily basis.

Learn more.

NEW: ALAC Capacity Building Webinar
From: David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support

The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) would like to invite you to join the fourth webinar of the At-Large Capacity Building Program for 2020 on the topic of New gTLD Rounds and Subsequent Procedures. The webinar will be held on Monday, 3 August at 13:00 UTC for 90 minutes.

The draft agenda and call details can be found here.

ENDS TOMORROW: Universal Acceptance Steering Group FY21 Action Plan Available for Community Feedback
From: Sarmad Hussein, Internationalized Domain Names and Universal Acceptance Program

Universal Acceptance (UA) is when all domain names and all email addresses work in all software applications. The Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) was formed in 2015 to encourage the relevant stakeholders to make their applications UA ready. The UASG FY21 Action Plan is available for community feedback until Friday, 31 July 2020.
DEADLINE EXTENDED: Standing Panel for the ICANN Independent Review Process - Call for Expressions of Interest Announcement


Candidates for the IRP omnibus Standing Panel should review the Expressions of Interest document before submission. The document includes the following information:

- Panel Position Description
- Required or Highly Preferred Skills
- Required or Highly Preferred Experience
- Time Commitment
- Compensation and Selection

Expressions of Interest should be submitted to irp-standingpanel-eoi2020@icann.org by 23:59 UTC on Friday, 31 August 2020.

REMINDER: Nomination Opens for Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building Announcement

ICANN recently opened a one-month nomination period for the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building.

ICANN first introduced the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building in January to recognize ICANN community members for significant efforts in developing capacity in areas related to ICANN’s Mission. The award was established in honor of the late Dr. Tarek Kamel, an Internet pioneer known for his contributions to global Internet governance. At the time of his passing, Kamel was ICANN’s Senior Advisor to the President and Senior Vice President for Government and Intergovernmental Organization Engagement.

Submit your nominations here by Friday, 21 August 2020.

Public Comment

CLOSES TOMORROW: Third Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3) Final Report
Close Date: Friday, 31 July 2020

CLOSES SUNDAY: Enhancing the Effectiveness of ICANN’s Multistakeholder Model
Close Date: Sunday, 2 August 2020

Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone Version 4 (RZ-LGR-4)
Close Date: Tuesday, 11 August 2020