

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.

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DUE TODAY: Interaction with the ICANN Board during ICANN69

From: Maarten Botterman, ICANN Board Chair

Dear ICANN Community Group Chairs,

Please reply no later than Monday, 5 October 2020.

While 2020 has proven challenging and likely very different from what we were all expecting when we last saw each other almost a year ago in Montréal, the Board and I keep being impressed and grateful for your continued dedication to ICANN's mission.

The Board still values its dialogue with your groups and is very much looking forward to engaging with you during our 22nd and first ever virtual Annual General Meeting that will take place between 13-22 October 2020. As you keep working on the format for ICANN69, we would like to start preparing for community dialogue with the Board.

As per what we did in Montréal and virtually for ICANN67, instead of sending up to three questions to the Board, we would like to offer you the alternative option of choosing a single topic and having an open discussion with the Board on that topic. We will also publish the list of questions or topics received using this digest as a successful tool for improving transparency and allowing other groups to deepen their own understanding of their peers' point of view on different issues.

As for time allocation, per what we did previously, we propose to allocate half of our time together to answer your questions or discuss your single topic and the other half to address the Board's topic. In preparation for our meetings, the Board has chosen the following topic to have an open discussion with you:

- **Enhancing the effectiveness of the multistakeholder model- key issues and opportunities for acceleration.** In your preparation, you may want to consider the results of the most recent public consultation and the work that has progressed with dependencies to enhancing the effectiveness of the multistakeholder model, such as the Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3) Final Report and work on prioritization and budgeting).

We would be very grateful if you could send to Board Operations, board-ops-team@icann.org, your single topic or list of questions, in order of priority, no later than Monday, 5 October 2020 or sooner.

For your information, we are not changing the current total time allotted per group. We look forward to hearing your thoughts, questions or topics of interest and to exchange with you constructively and virtually.

Best regards,

Maarten Botterman
ICANN Board Chair

THIS WEEK: ICANN69 Prep Week

ICANN org recently **announced** the ICANN69 Prep Week schedule. Twelve webinars will be offered from **5-8 October 2020**. To access the Prep Week schedule, please **[register](#)** for ICANN69.

Upon registration, you will receive two emails:

- Registration confirmation
- An email with login information for the schedule

Once you log into the schedule, you will be able to sign up for the Prep Week webinars. Please note that participation links will be posted 24 hours prior to the session start times for security purposes. The session schedule will display in your local time, based on the time set for your device where you view the website. Times on the schedule are in Central European Summer Time (CEST).

NEW: Information Transparency Initiative Update: New Content Available for Your Feedback **From:** Sally Newell Cohen, ICANN Senior Vice President, Global Communications

As ICANN org President and CEO Göran Marby announced in his **[May 2020 blog](#)**, the Information Transparency Initiative (ITI) team is releasing new content to **<https://preview.icann.org>**, and content on **<https://icann.org>** has been improved with ITI's enhanced search features. New and improved content includes:

- **Correspondence** - New findability improvements include keyword(s) search allowing you to narrow your search within Correspondence files, an advanced year selector, a helpful sub-navigation menu, and an improved table layout to enhance accessibility and readability.
- **Board Meeting Materials** - We've made upgrades to this content type since the May 2020 release. The keyword(s) search has been implemented and improved, and most Board Meeting files and pages from 1998-2019 are now available via filtered or keyword search.
- **Acronyms and Terms** - Enhancements to the existing release include alignment with ITI's new user experience, additional terms added in all six U.N. languages, and a new sub-navigation menu.

We Need Your Feedback

To support our current release, we invite the community to join us for two upcoming webinars. The team will demonstrate the enhancements to Correspondence, Board Materials, and Acronyms and Terms, and answer any questions.

ITI Webinar 1

Tuesday, 1 December 2020, 15:00 UTC

[Register](#)

ITI Webinar 2

Tuesday, 1 December 2020, 22:00 UTC

[Register](#)

[Learn more.](#)

NEW: Making ICANN Public Meetings Work for You **From:** Göran Marby, ICANN President and CEO

The ICANN Board is seeking community feedback to assess the effectiveness of our virtual Public Meetings, the improvements that the org should make to its support for the community's work at

meetings, and any other aspects that should be integrated into our in-person meeting strategy going forward.

ICANN org is sending a survey to our Supporting Organization (SO) and Advisory Committee (AC) chairs to spark a discussion within each group, as this discussion belongs to the community. The chairs will then coordinate and consolidate their respective group's feedback. The Board will also host a session at ICANN69 to continue the conversation with the community about our meeting strategy. The survey will serve as a guidepost for those discussions.

Participate in the [ICANN69 Board/Community Focus on Meetings Session](#) on **Monday, 19 October 2020 at 12:30 UTC**.

[Learn more.](#)

NEW: ICANN 2020 Nominating Committee Announces Leadership Selections

The ICANN 2020 Nominating Committee recently [announced](#) the selections for seven leadership positions.

The Nominating Committee is charged with recruiting and selecting a portion of ICANN's leadership. In doing so, the Nominating Committee is mandated to ensure that ICANN's overall leadership is diverse in geography, culture, skills, experience, and perspective.

REMINDER: Nominations for NextGen Selection Committee and Mentor Positions Now Open

From: Sally Costerton, Senior Advisor to the President and Senior Vice President, Global Stakeholder Engagement

The ICANN org NextGen Program [announced](#) that it is seeking nominations for mentors and for the NextGen selection committee. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students.

There are three slots available for mentors, and five slots for selection committee members. Each SO/AC is asked to nominate candidates for both positions. Individual self-nominations will not be considered.

Interested community groups should select their respective NextGen@ICANN volunteers by **15 October** and notify Deborah Escalera at nextgen@icann.org.

Learn more about the guidelines and expectations for [Mentors](#) and for the [Selection Committee](#).

Public Comment

[Proposed Amendment 1 to the .JOBS Registry Agreement](#)

Close Date: 16 November 2020

[Reference Label Generation Rulesets \(LGRs\) for the Second Level](#)

Close Date: Thursday, 15 October 2020