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The deadline to submit an Expression of Interest is Friday, 25 June 2021 at 23:59 UTC. All submissions should be sent to gnso-secs@icann.org.

Read more.

NEW: Request for Information on Identity Verification Methods for SSAD Now Open

ICANN announced that it has now opened the Request for Information (RFI) to better understand what may be commercially available in the marketplace to deliver some or all of the System for Standardized Access/Disclosure to Non-Public Registration Data (SSAD), including existing methods for identity verification. The RFI overview document can be viewed here.

Indications of interest are to be submitted by emailing SSAD-ODP-RFI@icann.org with the following information, upon which access will be provided to the RFI:
- Name of the organization
- Name of the contact
- Email address of the contact

The RFI will be open until Monday, 19 July 2021 (23:59 UTC). Read more.

NEW: ICANN71 Governmental Advisory Committee Communiqué Now Available
On Monday, 21 June 2021, the GAC issued its ICANN71 GAC Communiqué. It is available for review [here](https://gac.icann.org). Previous GAC advice and past communiqués are available at [https://gac.icann.org](https://gac.icann.org).

**NEW: A Preview of ICANN71 Participation Metrics**

Thank you to everyone who helped make the ICANN71 Virtual Policy Forum a success. More than 1,330 attendees participated from 147 countries and territories. The full ICANN71 By the Numbers Report, which will include more in-depth statistics, will be released within a few weeks. [Read more](#).

**REMARKDER: Call for Expressions of Interest: Chair of the EPDP on IDNs**

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**REMARKDER: Participate or Observe: EPDP on IDNs**

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team on Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) welcomes anyone to join as a participant or an observer. Please contact gnso-secs@icann.org to sign up as a participant or an observer. [Read more](#).

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**CLOSER NEXT WEEK: Draft North America Engagement Plan FY21-25**

Close Date: Friday, 2 July 2021

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