ICANN Community Digest

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

How Domain Name System Policy is Developed, and How You Can Get Involved

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NEW: ICANN72 Prep Week Schedule Now Available

The ICANN72 Prep Week schedule is now available. ICANN72 Prep Week will be 12-14 October 2021. The schedule features 12 sessions to prepare the ICANN community for the ICANN72 Virtual Annual General Meeting taking place 25-28 October 2021.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Signs a Memorandum of Understanding with NANOG

ICANN announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the North American Network Operators' Group, Inc. (NANOG). This agreement will help realize common objectives, promote two-way collaboration, strengthen both NANOG's and ICANN's community engagement initiatives, and build greater support for multistakeholder participation, the governance model of the Internet.
NEW: SSAD ODP Update: Timeline Extension and Next Steps

Over the past six months, the System for Standardized Access/Disclosure (SSAD) Operational Design Phase (ODP) project team has been working to evaluate the potential risks, anticipated costs, resource requirements, timelines, and dependencies associated with the implementation of an SSAD.

NEW: Overview of ICANN org Risk Management Framework

ICANN's Risk Management function has prepared an overview of the ICANN org Risk Management Framework which has been published to icann.org. To learn more, please join an explanatory session during ICANN72 Prep Week on 12 October at 21:30 UTC.

During the session, we will cover the overview of the framework, which includes the background and development of the framework, risk management governance and accountability, risk identification, and risk appetite statement.

REMINDER: SSAD ODP Project Update Webinar Recording Now Available

Recording of the recent SSAD ODP Project Update webinar is now available.

Presentation and audio files are available.

REMINDER: NextGen@ICANN Application Round for ICANN73 Now Open

Applications for the NextGen@ICANN program at ICANN73 are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is Monday, 25 October 2021.

REMINDER: ICANN Continues the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program

Interested ICANN community members must apply in advance of ICANN72, and those who meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to participate. The application deadline is Friday, 08 October 2021 at 23:59 UTC. The application process opens today, and program details are available here.

The goal of this program is to facilitate participation in ICANN Public Meetings during the pandemic. It offers community members who have limited Internet capacity financial assistance to increase their Internet bandwidth.

Public Comment

Proposal for Latin Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules

Open for Submissions Date: Thursday, 23 September 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 23 November 2021

Draft PTI and IANA FY23 Operating Plan and Budgets

Open for Submissions Date: Wednesday, 15 September 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Monday, 25 October 2021

Initial Report from the EPDP on Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs

Open for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 14 September 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Sunday, 24 October 2021

Proposed Amendment 5 to the .name Registry Agreement

Open for Submissions Date: Friday, 10 September 2021
**REMINDER:** ICANN Launches Improved Public Comment Feature

The Information Transparency Initiative (ITI) has reached another important milestone with the release of an improved Public Comment feature. This enhanced feature is part of the ICANN organization's ongoing commitment to increase the findability and transparency of our information.

[Read more about the improvements!](#)

See [upcoming proceedings](#).

- **Infographic: What is Public Comment?**
- **Step-by-Step Public Comment Submission Guidelines**
- **Zoom Replay: Public Comment Submission Training**
- **Zoom Replay: Public Comment User Experience Demonstration**