

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.

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Webinars

TOMORROW: Register Now for the SSAD ODP Update Webinar

ICANN invites the community to join a follow-up webinar on the System for Standardized Access/Disclosure (SSAD) Operational Design Phase (ODP) on **Friday, 24 September 2021 at 03:00 UTC (Thursday, 23 September 2021 at 20:00 PDT)**.

Please [register](#) in advance for details on how to join the webinar.

The webinar will provide a status report on the progress made during the ODP and share additional details about when the Operational Design Assessment (ODA) is expected to be delivered to the ICANN Board. It will also include a general discussion of the [ODP](#) moving forward and lessons learned.

The webinar will be presented in English with interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, and Spanish. Video and audio recordings will be published on the [SSAD ODP webpage](#).

NEXT WEEK: Register Now for the Subsequent Procedures ODP Update Webinar

ICANN org will host a webinar on **Tuesday, 28 September 2021 at 20:00 UTC (local time)** to provide an update on the New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process (SubPro) Operational Design Phase (ODP). The webinar will give an overview of the [scope](#) and timeline of the ODP. It will also include a general overview of the ICANN org [ODP process](#) followed by a question and answer segment. [Read more.](#)

Please [register](#) in advance for details on how to join the webinar.

Information Sharing

NEW: Chair's Blog: September Board Workshop Recap

The ICANN Board recently finished four productive days where it considered a variety of topics and issues impacting ICANN today and in the future. As I explained in my [pre-workshop blog](#), the pandemic has required us to continue to adapt our ways of working together. With thanks to our virtual tools, support from across the ICANN ecosystem, and a good deal of equanimity from my colleagues, the Board is pressing forward with its important work and delivering on ICANN's mission.

[Read more.](#)

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**.

[Read more.](#)

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.

[Read more.](#)

Public Comment

REMINDER: [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

REMINDER: [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

REMINDER: [Proposed Amendment 5 to the .name Registry Agreement](#)

Open for Submissions Date: Friday, 10 September 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Wednesday, 20 October 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?

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