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

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NEW: gTLD Subsequent Procedures ODP Webinar Recording Available

On 28 September 2021, ICANN hosted a webinar to provide a first update on the New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process (SubPro) Operational Design Phase (ODP). The webinar gave an overview of the ODP scope and timeline. It also included a general overview of the ICANN org ODP process followed by a question and answer segment.

Video/Audio Recording and Presentation

THIS WEEK: 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.

**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.

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**Public Comment**

**NEW: Proposal for Japanese Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules**

Open for Submissions Date: Thursday, 30 September 2021  
Closed for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 16 November 2021

**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  
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!

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See [upcoming proceedings](#).

Infographic: What is Public Comment?

Step-by-Step Public Comment Submission Guidelines