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: ICANN73 Registration in Now Open

Registration for ICANN73 is now open and you must register to participate.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Continues the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program

Application Form Opens: **24 January 2022** https://events.icann.org/icann73/bandwidthprogram
Application Deadline: **18 February 2022**

Interested ICANN community members must apply in advance of ICANN73, and those who meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to participate. The application deadline is **Friday, 18 February 2022 at 23:59 UTC.** The application process opens **Monday, 24 January 2022**, and program details are available here: https://73.schedule.icann.org/internet-access-reimburse

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.

Webinars

REMINDER: Register for ICANN's Next SSAD ODP Project Update Webinar

The ICANN will host a webinar on **Tuesday, 18 January 2022 at 1500 UTC** to provide the community with an update on the System for Standardized Access/Disclosure (SSAD) Operational Design Phase.

The webinar will present background and assumptions around costs and fees, the ICANN org analysis and considerations, and some questions for discussion.

The webinar will be presented in English with interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish available through the Adigo dial-in line. Video and audio recordings will be published on the SSAD ODP webpage.

Register here.

Information Sharing

NEW: Relying on ICANN Community-Developed Processes for a Safe, Secure Internet

We have observed community discussions and received comments and questions about ICANN's top-level domain (TLD) Registry Agreement assignment approval process and a recent Urgent Reconsideration Request considered by the ICANN Board Accountability Mechanisms Commi

Read More.

NEW: ICANN Seeks Input on Supporting Additional Scripts for IDNs

ICANN opened a Public Comment proceeding to determine the additional scripts to support through the Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs).

Read more.

REMINDER: Nominations for Fellowship Program Mentors Now Open

ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees are invited to nominate volunteers to serve as Fellowship Program Mentors for ICANN75-ICANN77. Each group is welcome to nominate one individual for this role, for a total of up to seven mentors. Nominations should be submitted by **Friday, 25 February 2022 to fellowshipconsultation@icann.org.**

Read more.

REMINDER: Apply Now for ICANN and PTI Leadership Positions

The ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom) invites interested individuals to submit applications for key leadership positions within ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees, the ICANN Board, and the Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) Board of Directors.

Selected individuals will have a unique opportunity to work with accomplished colleagues from around the globe to help shape the Internet's technical coordination and policy development.

The deadline to **submit applications** is **Friday, 11 March 2022 at 23:59 UTC.**

Read more.

REMINDER: ICANN Community Excellence Award Nomination Period Now Open

The nomination period for the ICANN Community Excellence Award is now open. The deadline for

submissions is **Monday, 21 March 2022** and the winner(s) will be announced at ICANN74. Learn more about the nomination process.

Submit your nominations.

Additional Budget Request Process
Deadline to submit requests for FY23: Monday, 24 January 2022

FY22 Decisions

FY23 Principles

30 November 2021 Webinar Recordings

Public Comment

NEW: Additional Unicode Scripts for Support in Internationalized Domain Names

Open for Submissions Date: Wednesday, 05 January 2022
Closed for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 15 February 2022

CLOSES WEDNESDAY: ccNSO Proposed Policy on the Retirement of ccTLDs

Open for Submissions Date: Monday, 22 November 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Wednesday, 12 January 2022

CLOSES NEXT WEEK: EPDP Phase 2A Policy Recommendations for ICANN Board Consideration

Open for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 23 November 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Thursday, 13 January 2022

ICANN Draft FY23-27 Operating and Financial Plan and Draft FY23 Operating Plan and Budget

Open for Submissions Date: Tuesday, 07 December 2021
Closed for Submissions Date: Monday, 07 February 2022

REMINDER: ICANN Launches Improved Public Comment Feature

The Information Transparency Initiative reached an 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