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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ICANN73

**REMINDER: ICANN73 Registration in Now Open**

[Registration](#) for ICANN73 is now open and you must register to participate.

[Read more.](#)

**REMINDER: ICANN Continues the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program**

Interested ICANN community members must apply in advance of ICANN73, and those who meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to participate. The [application process](#) opens Monday, 24 January 2022. The application deadline is Friday, 18 February 2022 at 23:59 UTC.

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.

[Learn more.](#)
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.](#)

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Information Sharing

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.](#)

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Additional Budget Request Process

**Deadline to submit requests for FY23: Monday, 24 January 2022**

- **FY22 Decisions**
- **FY23 Principles**
- **30 November 2021 Webinar Recordings**
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 THURSDAY: 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

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

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

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