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NEW: ICANN74 Zoom Backgrounds

ICANN74 Zoom backgrounds are now available here.

Internet Reimbursement Program

Application Opens: Monday, 02 May 2022
Application Deadline: Friday, 27 May 2022

The application process is now open. Those who meet the eligibility requirements will be able to participate. More information is available on the Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program website. The deadline for applications is Friday, 27 May 2022, at 23:59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

The ICANN Pandemic Internet Access Reimbursement Program aims to facilitate the active participation in ICANN Public Meetings Meeting for certain community members with limited Internet capacity by offering financial assistance to increase their Internet bandwidth during the meeting.

Read more.

Registration for ICANN74 Policy Forum in The Hague, Netherlands is Now Open

Registration for ICANN74 (13-16 June 2022) in The Hague, Netherlands is now open. ICANN74 will take place as a hybrid event to accommodate both in-person and virtual participation.
While the ICANN74 Policy Forum presents the first opportunity for the community to come together in more than two years, the health and safety of all community members and staff continues to be ICANN's key priority.

Read more.

Information Sharing

NEW: SubPro ODP Team Offering Update Session to Community Groups

In addition to the anticipated plenary session on the New gTLD SubPro ODP, ICANN org's SubPro ODP team is welcoming meetings with interested community groups. If any Supporting Organizations, Advisory Committees, stakeholder, or constituency groups would like to hear from the SubPro ODP team, please email subpro-odp@icann.org to schedule time with us. Please be sure to include any specific topic areas for discussion or if you prefer a general update. In addition, we ask that you share a few date and time options so that we can schedule and prepare accordingly. We look forward to meeting you.

NEW: CEO Report to the ICANN Board

The latest CEO Report to the ICANN Board, for the period covering 1 April 2021-30 July 2021, is now available here.

NEW: NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations

The nomination period for the NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program is now open. Nominations must be submitted by no later than Monday, 1 August 2022. The community-nominated mentor will be responsible for overseeing the mentor process. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students. Guidelines for the program can be found here.

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org.

REMINDER: ICANN's 2022 Middle East DNS Forum to Take Place Virtually in May

ICANN org's eighth Middle East Domain Name System (DNS) Forum will take place virtually from Monday-Wednesday, 16-18 May 2022 and will offer a closer look at the evolving DNS ecosystem from a technical and policy perspective. It will have a special focus on regional challenges and opportunities for growth.

Read more.

Public Comment

NEW: Summary Report Published: Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP)

See upcoming proceedings.

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