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

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## Information Sharing

**NEW: Register for the ICANN Grant Program Implementation Update Webinar**

The Grant Program will distribute the proceeds from auctions of last resort in the 2012 New Generic Top-Level Domain Program. Once launched, the program will be open to applications from any eligible organization across the world for projects that are supportive of ICANN's mission.

The webinar will take place on 1 **December 2022** at 15:00 UTC. Please click on this [link](#) to attend the webinar.

This webinar will be recorded and made available on the [community workspace](#).

Read more.

**NEW: ICANN Publishes IDN Implementation Guidelines Version 4.1**

Today, ICANN published [Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) Implementation Guidelines version 4.1](#) after approval by the ICANN Board. Following the guidelines publication, ICANN organization (org) will begin work on their implementation and will communicate the effective date to relevant parties when available.

Read more.
NEW: Press Release: ICANN Investment in Africa Enables Safer, Faster Internet Access Across the Continent

Internet users in Africa will soon have faster access to services on the Internet and better protection from cyberattacks. The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), in cooperation with its regional partners, is deploying a new ICANN Managed Root Server (IMRS) cluster in Nairobi, Kenya.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN77 Fellowship Application Round Now Open

ICANN is opening the application round for the ICANN Fellowship Program for the ICANN77 Policy Forum. This round is open only to those who have previously completed an ICANN fellowship. The ICANN77 Policy Forum is scheduled for 12–15 June 2023 in Washington, D.C. If ICANN77 is held virtually, the Fellowship Program will also be held virtually. The deadline to apply is 15 December 2022, 23:59 UTC.

Successful candidates will be announced on 17 February 2023 on the ICANN website.

Read more.

REMINDER: ICANN Calls for Volunteers to Plan for Changing the Root Zone DNSSEC Algorithm

ICANN is calling for volunteers to join a design team that will develop a plan for changing the cryptographic algorithm used for the Domain Name System (DNS) root key signing key and zone signing key.

Interested in joining this group? Please complete this form and send it to ksk-rollover-soi@iana.org before 25 November 2022. IANA expects to announce members of the design team in early January 2023. The team will start work shortly thereafter.

More information about the project can be found here.

Read more.

REMINDER: ICANN Launches Fiscal Year 2024 Additional Budget Request Process

The ABR Process reflects potential ICANN community activities that are not already included in the annual ICANN operating plan and budget. The ABR process helps the ICANN Board and ICANN organization (org) better understand and develop resources for present and future ICANN community needs. More information about the FY24 ABR Process can be found on this workspace.

ICANN org will host an informational webinar on Thursday, 08 December 2022, at 16:00 UTC. Please register.

Read more.

REMINDER: Call for Expressions of Interest for Independent Adviser to the ICANN Board Audit Committee

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is seeking expressions of interest to serve as an external Independent Adviser to the ICANN Board Audit Committee.

The ICANN Board Audit Committee is seeking to fill this opening as soon as possible. Read this job description for more information on the role and how to apply.

Read more.

REMINDER: Call for SOs/ACs to Nominate Fellowship Program Mentors and Selection Committee Members

Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) are invited to nominate volunteers to serve as mentors in its Fellowship Program and to serve on the Fellowship Program Selection Committee.
Committee. There will be a total of seven mentors and seven Selection Committee members, and each group is welcome to nominate one individual for each role.

Interested SOs/ACs should select their respective Fellowship Program mentor and Selection Committee representative by 31 January 2023 and notify fellowshipconsultation@icann.org. Individual self-nominations will not be considered.

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**Public Comment**

**Closes Today:** Draft IANA and PTI FY24 Operating Plan and Budgets
Open for submissions date: 15 September 2022
Closed for submissions date: 17 November 2022

**Closes Friday:** Proposed Amendments to the SLA for the IANA Numbering Services
Open for submissions date: 13 September 2022
Closed for submissions date: 18 November 2022

**Last Call:** Registration Data Consensus Policy for gTLDs
Open for submissions date: 24 August 2022
Closed for submissions date: 21 November 2022

**Initial Report on the Second CSC Effectiveness Review**
Open for submissions date: 14 September 2022
Closed for submissions date: 01 December 2022

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See [other public consultations](#).

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