

## 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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## ICANN76 Resources

### **NEW:** ICANN76 SO/AC Zoom Backgrounds

ICANN76 Community Forum SO/AC Zoom Backgrounds [here](#).

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### **REMINDER:** ICANN77 Community Childcare Grants Pilot Program Application

ICANN is opening the application round for its [Community Childcare Grants Pilot Program](#) for ICANN77 in Washington, DC. The program facilitates in-person participation of community members with children who are 12 years old or younger at ICANN Public Meetings and eligible ICANN events.

**Deadline: Friday, 10 March 2023 at 23:59 UTC**

[Apply here.](#)  
[Read more.](#)

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

Interested ICANN community members must apply in advance of ICANN76, and those who meet the

eligibility requirements will be selected to participate.

The application process opens **Monday, 30 January 2023**.

The application deadline is **Friday, 24 February 2023** at 23:59 UTC.

Since ICANN76 will be conducted as a hybrid meeting, only applicants that attend virtually are eligible for this program. The program details are available [here](#)

[Read more.](#)

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### **REMINDER: Register for the ICANN76 Community Forum in Cancún, Mexico**

Registration for in-person attendance closes on **8 March 2023**. Registration for virtual participation will remain open through **16 March 2023**.

The full schedule for ICANN76 will be published on **17 February 2023**.

### **Prep Week will be held 27 February 2023 - 01 March 2023**

The Prep Week schedule will be published on 13 February 2023.

[ICANN76 Health and Safety Protocols](#)  
[Registration link.](#)

## Information Sharing

### **NEW: Press Release-Coalition for Digital Africa Announces Internet Exchange Point Initiative**

The Coalition for Digital Africa announced another major initiative aimed at strengthening the Internet infrastructure across the continent. This latest initiative will focus on enhancing five existing Internet exchange points (IXPs), to improve Internet access by making it faster and more affordable, thus positively impacting Internet users in the regions they are placed in.

[Read more.](#)

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### **NEW: Update on ICANN Org's Recent Milestones**

As we approach the first Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Public Meeting of 2023, the [ICANN76 Community Forum](#), I wanted to share an update on the ICANN organization's (org) activities since our last meeting. It's important to recognize the progress we've made so far as we consider the next steps.

[Read more.](#)

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### **NEW: Work Stream 2 Implementation, Fourth Quarter of 2022 Update**

The [Work Stream 2 Implementation Summary – Q4 2022 Quarterly Report](#) provides a comprehensive update on the latest implementation activities, including links to implementation documentation of complete recommendations.

[Read more.](#)

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### **REMINDER: ICANN Request for Quotation: Storage Network Replacement 2023**

Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) organization issued a request for quotation (RFQ) to identify one or more providers to facilitate the sourcing and pre-configuration of predetermined storage area network equipment for our data centers.

For a complete overview of this RFQ, including the timeline, please click [here](#).

[Read more.](#)

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**REMINDER: Watch the Recording of the Draft ICANN FY24 Plans Informational Webinar**

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) posted the Draft FY24-28 Operating and Financial Plan, and Draft FY24 Operating Plan and Budget for public comment on December 14, 2022. See [link](#). And this proceeding closes on **13 February 2023**.

ICANN org hosted two informational webinars about the Draft FY24 Plans, both webinars presented identical information, please watch [the recording](#) to learn more about these Plans.

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**REMINDER: Apply Now for ICANN and PTI Leadership Positions**

The Nominating Committee (NomCom) of ICANN is accepting applications for key leadership positions within ICANN's Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees, the ICANN Board of Directors, and the Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) Board of Directors.

The deadline to [submit applications](#) is **23 March 2023** at 23:59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

[Read more.](#)

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**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 **Tuesday, 28 March 2023** and the winner(s) will be announced at ICANN77. Learn more about the [nomination process](#).

[Submit your nominations.](#)

## Public Comment

[Draft FY24–28 Operating & Financial Plan and Draft FY24 Operating Plan & Budget](#)

**Open for submissions date:** 14 December 2022

**Closed for submissions date:** 13 February 2023

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[Proposed Procedure for Selecting a Top-Level Domain String for Private Use](#)

**Open for submissions date:** 13 January 2023

**Closed for submissions date:** 28 February 2023

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[Additional Script-Based Reference Label Generation Rules and Related Updates](#)

**Open for submissions date:** 19 January 2023

**Closed for submissions date:** 03 March 2023

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See [upcoming proceedings](#).

See [other public consultations](#).

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