

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

REMINDER: ICANN76 SO/AC Zoom Backgrounds

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

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 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.](#)

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

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

[Registration link](#)

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

Prep Week will be held 27 February 2023 to 01 March 2023.

Information Sharing

NEW Chair's Blog: Recap of the January Board Workshop

The ICANN Board of Directors recently held its first Board Workshop of the year, and I'm pleased to report that we began 2023 on a productive note.

During the four-day meeting, held in Los Angeles, we discussed and made progress on many of the most important issues that ICANN is currently facing, including the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance and the next round of new generic top-level domains (gTLDs).

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Changes to ICANN org's Meetings Scheduling Platform

As the ICANN76 Community Forum approaches, I wanted to share an update with you about the ICANN organization's (org) online scheduling tool.

Because the vendor is discontinuing support for Pathable, we will no longer be using this tool. Instead, we will be using Sched.

[Read more.](#)

REMINDER ICANN Request for Information: gTLD Application Life Cycle System

Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) organization issued a request for information (RFI) seeking to evaluate vendors interested in supporting the implementation of a new enterprise system to aid ICANN staff in the collection and processing of applications for new generic top-level domains (gTLDs).

Participants submit any questions via Portal (Q&A Board) by 13 February 2023 by 23:59 UTC

[Read more.](#)

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.

REMINDER: Join the Webinar and Apply for the NextGen@ICANN Program at ICANN77

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is calling for [applications](#) for the [NextGen@ICANN Program](#) for the ICANN77 Policy Forum.

The NextGen@ICANN Program application window will remain open until **31 March 2023**.

To inform potential applicants about the NextGen@ICANN Program and the application process for ICANN77, ICANN is hosting a webinar

When: **22 February 2023** 19:00 Universal Time UTC

Register in advance for this webinar:

[Read more.](#)

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.](#)

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.](#)

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

CLOSES TODAY: [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

[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

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

Open for submissions date: 19 January 2023
Closed for submissions date: 03 March 2023

See [upcoming proceedings](#).

See [other public consultations](#).

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