

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.

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DUE TOMORROW: 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.](#)

NEW: Previewing the March Board Workshop and ICANN76

Before the [ICANN76 Community Forum](#), which is taking place 11–16 March online and in Cancún, Mexico, the ICANN Board will gather for its next workshop.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: SAVE THE DATE: ICANN to Host Middle East DNS Forum 2023

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) will host the Middle East Domain Name System (DNS) Forum on **9 and 10 May 2023 in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye**. The forum will offer a closer look at the evolving DNS ecosystem and provide an opportunity for meaningful discussions among stakeholders and interested parties from the region and elsewhere.

[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.](#)

REMINDER: Kick-off of FY25 Planning Process

These are requests for Strategic Outlook trend identification session participation and upcoming nominations for Planning Prioritization Group Members

ICANN is kicking off the FY25 Planning Cycle, beginning with the strategic outlook trend program. Community members can participate in trend identification sessions through their Supporting Organization (SO) or Advisory Committee (AC). ICANN will collaborate with SO and AC chairs and support teams to schedule sessions in March and April 2023.

This program is a joint effort of ICANN org, community, and Board to identify and track trends that are related to ICANN. This ensures that these opportunities and challenges are incorporated into current and future planning. Every year, new trends or shifts in existing trends impacting the operating plans (five-year or annual) and/or budget are factored into the annual iteration of those plans as appropriate. Significant shifts could also result in adjustments to the strategic plan.

Once complete, ICANN org will conduct a trend analysis and impact assessment. All strategic outlook sessions will be conducted virtually, and community members are encouraged to join this important discussion. We look forward to your participation in this dialogue about ICANN planning and strategy.

Additionally, we will begin the FY25 Planning Prioritization Process in April. The Planning Prioritization Group will comprise members from the ICANN stakeholder groups as listed below. The stakeholder group leadership will be asked to **nominate one primary member and one secondary member to participate in the prioritization process. Nominations will be due by the end of March** by emailing planning@icann.org, with a copy to the Policy Strategic Management team (policy-strat-mgt@icann.org).

ASO - Address Supporting Organization
ALAC - At-Large Advisory Committee
GNSO/CSG - Commercial Stakeholder Group
GNSO/CPH - Contracted Party House
GNSO/NCSG - Noncommercial Stakeholder Group
ccNSO - Country Code Names Supporting Organization
GAC - Governmental Advisory Committee
RSSAC - Root Server System Advisory Committee
SSAC - Security and Stability Advisory Committee

Thank you for your support in the ICANN planning process.

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