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

NEW: ICANN76 Participation Metrics

Thank you to all who helped make the ICANN76 Community Forum a success for both in-person and virtual participants. Our hybrid meeting drew 2,019 participants from 164 countries and territories, 1,204 in person and 815 remotely.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Board Moves to Begin Preparations for the Next Round of New gTLDs

During its meeting at the ICANN76 Community Forum in Cancún, Mexico, the Board of Directors of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) adopted 98 recommendations contained in the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process Final Report

Read more.

NEW: Introducing ICANN’s New Adjunct Ombuds

Read more about ICANN’s new Adjunct Ombuds, introduced during ICANN76 here.
NEW: Approved Resolutions | Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board | 16 March 2023

Read the Approved Resolutions of the 16 March 2023 Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board that took place during ICANN76 here.

DUE THURSDAY: 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.

NEW: IANA Naming Function Review Bylaws Changes

ICANN seeks input on the proposed changes to the ICANN Bylaws that define IANA Naming Function Reviews. The first IANA Naming Function Review (IFR) Team recommended a Bylaws update to remove a duplication. There are also additional changes recommended that address composition issues faced by the RySG and ccNSO and clarifications to remove questions for the consideration of future IFR Final Reports.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Trains More than 200 Students During Grenada ICT Week

ICANN teamed up with the North American Network Operators' Group (NANOG), the American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN), and the Caribbean Network Operators Group (CaribNOG) to take part in the Information and Communications Technology Week (ICTWeek). The event occurred on the island of Grenada from Monday, 27 February to Friday, 3 March 2023.

Read more.

NEW: How Time Zones Are Coordinated

One of the most fascinating aspects of these time changes is that for many people they are fully automatic. Billions of devices around the world will automatically change without their users lifting a finger. Airline schedules will instantly adapt, calendar invites will silently adjust. The sleep-deprived will probably see "01:59" one minute, and "03:00" the next.

Read more.

NEW PUBLICATION: WSIS+20 Review Process - Information for the Broader ICANN Community


Read more.

NEW: Sign up for Strategic Outlook Identification Sessions

ICANN’s FY25 Planning Process has started, beginning with the strategic outlook program. We are looking for participation from community members in the 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 from March through May 2023.

This program is a joint effort of the ICANN ecosystem to identify and track trends that are related to ICANN. This ensures that the opportunities and challenges are incorporated into current and future planning.

Once trends are identified, ICANN will conduct a trend analysis and impact assessment. Significant shifts could result in adjustments to the strategic plan. Moreover, new trends or shifts in existing trends also impact the operating plans (five-year or annual) and/or budget, and are factored into the annual iteration of those plans as appropriate.

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.

Thank you for your support in the ICANN planning process.

NEW: Planning Prioritization Update

The prioritization process is a step in the annual ICANN planning process, which will permit ICANN to receive input for the development of the FY25 Draft Plans. The Planning Prioritization Group comprises members of the ICANN stakeholder groups. ICANN is seeking from the chairs of the below stakeholder groups to nominate one member and one secondary-member by 7 April 2023:

ASO | ALAC | GNSO/CSG | GNSO/CPH | GNSO/NCSG | ccNSO | GAC | RSSAC | SSAC

The scope of activities to be prioritized are the Board-approved implementation work, such as PDP recommendations, Specific Review recommendations and the implementation of other non-policy and advice work.

Please email the name of the members that you have nominated to planning@icann.org, with a copy to the Policy Strategic Management team (policy-strat-mgt@icann.org).

Moreover, ICANN has published the Planning Prioritization Framework (Version 3) on the ICANN Finance and Planning Community wiki workspace here (Planning Prioritization Framework V3). The key elements of the framework have not changed; however, based on feedback received from a lessons learned session with the members of the FY24 planning prioritization process, ICANN has incorporated several recommendations into version 3. For additional information on the planning prioritization framework please visit this link for presentations and webinar recordings or email planning@icann.org.

NEXT WEEK: 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

NEW: IANA Naming Function Review Bylaws Changes

Open for submissions date: 09 March 2023
Closed for submissions date: 18 April 2023

See upcoming proceedings.

See other public consultations.