

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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DUE TODAY: ICANN 2023 Nominating Committee (NomCom) Extends Deadline to 30 March

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 **30 March 2023** at 23:59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

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NEW: New Surveys by ICANN Assess the UA-Readiness of Contracted Parties and ccTLDs

ICANN recently conducted two surveys to assess the UA-readiness of key stakeholder groups. The first report, [Universal Acceptance \(UA\) Readiness Survey Report – Contracted Parties and Registry Service Providers](#), examined the UA-readiness of registry operators (ROs), registrars, and registry service providers (RSPs). The second report, [Universal Acceptance \(UA\) Readiness Survey Report – ccTLDs](#), surveyed country code top-level domain managers.

[Read more.](#)

ACTION ITEM: 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.

ACTION ITEM: 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.

REMINDER: Join the Second Iteration of ICANN for Beginners: An Introduction Webinar

The webinar is tailored to those new to ICANN and will give a high-level overview of how the Internet works, what ICANN is, what its role in the Internet infrastructure is, and why and how participants get involved in ICANN.

"ICANN for Beginners: An Introduction" will be held during two time slots (You only need to register for one of the webinars.):

- **25 April 2023 at 1400 UTC**
- Click [here](#) to register.
- **26 April 2023 at 0600 UTC**
- Click [here](#) to register.

Closing date for registration: **24 April 2023**. The webinars are in English only. Recordings will be posted [here](#) after the webinars.

[Read more.](#)

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

NEW: [Initial Report on the RZERC Charter Review](#)

Open for submissions date: 27 March 2023

Closed for submissions date: 22 May 2023

[IANA Naming Function Review Bylaws Changes](#)

Open for submissions date: 09 March 2023

Closed for submissions date: 18 April 2023

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