

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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Starting with ICANN77, we have a change to our typical pre-meeting routine: we are not printing any materials; we are only going to be designing and translating meeting collateral.

27 April 2023 | DESIGN DEADLINE:

If you require design assistance for your publication, you need to provide all the text, images, layout, and publication type/size requirements (i.e. newsletter vs. 1-pager vs. trifold, etc.). You will receive a maximum of 2 iterations of the publication. Please provide everything by **27 April**. Please keep in mind that all materials, new or updated, need to be evergreen.

11 MAY 2023 | TRANSLATION DEADLINE:

If your publication requires translation, please provide the final material(s) by **11 MAY**. This ensures that there is enough time to translate the publication by the start of the meeting, with the possibility of potential changes to said translations. If your materials require design assistance (outlined above), please note that the final materials will have to be complete, including the edit/approval process, by this deadline to be translated.

All content/requests can be sent to andrea.glandon@icann.org

NEW: ICANN77 Registration NOW OPEN

Registration is now open for the ICANN77 Policy Forum, which will be held both virtually and in-person from 12-15 June 2023 in Washington, D.C. In-person registration closes **7 June 2023**, while virtual

Information Sharing

NEW: ICANN76 Policy Outcomes Report Now Available

The ICANN76 Policy Outcomes Report is now available [here](#).

NEW: ICANN Request for Information: The Grant Program

Through the Grant Program, proceeds from the auctions of last resort in the 2012 New Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLD) Program will be distributed. This program is being designed with best practices at the forefront, yet because this is a new program for ICANN, there is a need for external vendors with a proven track record of expertise in the grant-making field to support this work.

[Read more.](#)

UPDATED ACTION ITEM: SOs/ACs to provide feedback on Fellowship Program outreach and promotion goals

SOs/ACs are asked to contribute to the Fellowship Program's strategy for outreach and promotion by providing feedback on suggested diversity targets for the Fellowship Program. Interested community groups should complete [this form](#) and send it via email to Siranush.Vardanyan@icann.org. Groups should aim to return the forms by **15 May 2023**.

The ICANN organization regularly updates its strategy for targeted outreach and promotion for the Fellowship Program. SOs/ACs are being asked to provide guidance on diversity goals for the program. These may include, but are not limited to, skills and experience, stakeholder group affiliation, region, gender, and language. ICANN org will use this list of goals to inform the program's outreach and promotion strategy. Input is welcome on any specific local, regional, or global events where promoting the Fellowship Program would help identify strong candidates. These goals will be revised by the SOs/ACs every two years.

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.](#)

ACTION ITEM: ICANN Calls for Volunteers for the New gTLD Program Next Round Implementation Review Team

ICANN org is seeking volunteer participants for the Implementation Review Team (IRT) to assist in the implementation of the policy recommendations in the New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process Final Report.

ICANN org plans for the first IRT meeting to take place no later than the week of **14 May 2023**.

To join the IRT as a participant or observer, please complete this form. Alternatively, if you are not able to access the form, please send an email to nextround_policyimplementation@icann.org.

[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.

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Open for submissions date: 13 April 2023

Closed for submissions date: 25 May 2023

CLOSES TUESDAY: [IANA Naming Function Review Bylaws Changes](#)

Open for submissions date: 09 March 2023

Closed for submissions date: 18 April 2023

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

Open for submissions date: 27 March 2023

Closed for submissions date: 08 May 2023

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