

## ICANN Community Digest



The ICANN organization Policy Development Support function publishes this twice-weekly digest to help ICANN community groups track requests and follow updates.

How Domain Name System Policy is Developed, and How You Can Get Involved

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## ICANN78

### Sign up for the session slot for ICANN78 Fellowship Program participants

Want to introduce your group's work to ICANN78 Fellowship Program participants? Sign up for a 15 or 30 minute session on 21-22 October. This outreach session is an opportunity to share information with the fellows and highlight the important work that your group does within ICANN.

The deadline to sign up for a slot is **30 August 2023**

[Link to sign up for available slots](#)

For any additional questions, please contact ICANN Fellowship Program Manager, Siranush Vardanyan at [siranush.vardanyan@icann.org](mailto:siranush.vardanyan@icann.org).

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### Community Regional Outreach Program (CROP) Trip Proposal Submission Deadline for ICANN78

Please see the [CROP Procedures and Guidelines](#) to determine eligibility. Trips must originate and conclude within the same region and must be taken by someone located in the region where the meeting is taking place

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 01 SEPTEMBER 2023**

### 13 SEPTEMBER 2023 TRANSLATION DEADLINE:

If your publication requires translation, please provide the final material(s) to [Andrea Glandon](#) by **13 SEPTEMBER**. This ensures that there is enough time to translate the publication by the start of the meeting, with the possibility of potential changes. 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

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### ICANN78 Community Childcare Grants Program Application Now Open

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.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: 15 SEPTEMBER 2023** | [Application form](#)

[Read more.](#)

## Action Items

### ❑ **ACTION ITEM: Policy Development Accelerator on gTLD Registration Data Launches Expression of Interest**

The ICANN Policy Development Accelerator creates opportunities for newer ICANN community members to cultivate substantive knowledge on a specific policy topic, while fostering relationships and value in service through connections with experienced ICANN community members.

**The Policy Development Accelerator will meet monthly via Zoom, from September 2023 to March 2024, and will explore gTLD Registration Data: The Temporary Specification and Beyond. Expression of Interest**

You can find the Expression of Interest and further information on the [Policy Development Accelerator workspace](#). The submission deadline is **23:59 UTC on 31 August 2023**.

## Information Sharing

### **Starting Soon: Next Term of ICANN Policy Development Accelerator**

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### **NEW: Applications Now Open: Coalition for Digital Africa DNSSEC Roadshow Project**

The goal of this project is to promote the adoption and implementation of DNSSEC protocols to improve the security of African country code top-level domains (ccTLDs). The roadshows are intended to provide ccTLD operators with the tools and expertise they need to protect their infrastructure, maintain user trust, and improve overall Internet security.

ccTLD operators that wish to participate in the DNSSEC Roadshows project are requested to submit their application by **23:59 UTC on 30 September 2023**.

[Read more.](#)

## Public Comment

### [GNSO Guidance Process Applicant Support Guidance Recommendation Initial Report](#)

**Open for Submissions:** 31 July 2023

**Closed for Submissions:** 11 September 2023

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[ccNSO PDP4 Initial Report on the \(de-\)selection of IDNccTLDs](#)

Open for Submissions: 16 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 27 September 2023

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[ccNSO Proposed Policy for a Specific ccTLD Related Review Mechanism](#)

Open for Submissions: 01 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 28 September 2023

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