

ICANN Community Digest



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ICANN78

Registration for ICANN78 is Now Open

Registration is now open for the ICANN78 Annual General Meeting, which will be held both virtually and in-person from 21-26 October 2023 in Hamburg, Germany. ICANN78 will mark the organization's 25th Annual General Meeting. Click [here](#) to learn more about how to register.

Information Sharing

NEW: ICANN Update on AFRINIC

ICANN has been closely following the legal proceedings in Mauritius involving the African Network Information Centre (AFRINIC), one of five RIRs, and AFRINIC's governance struggles.

[Read more.](#)

Webinars

TOMORROW and THURSDAY: ICANN to Provide RDRS Early Access for Registrars and Supporting Webinars

ICANN will host two webinars to go over early access and answer any questions registrars might have.

Webinar #1: **Tuesday, 26 September 2023 at 01:00 UTC for 60 minutes**

Webinar #2: **Thursday, 28 September 2023 at 15:00 UTC for 60 minutes**

[Read more and find the links to register here.](#)

Action Items

□ **ACTION ITEM: Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN79**

ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the North American region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN79 Community Forum Meeting. ICANN79 is scheduled to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico from 2–7 March 2024.

Application Deadline: 13 October 2023

[Read more.](#)

□ **ACTION ITEM: NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations**

The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations for the 2024 Mentor Program. This appointment will serve for the ICANN79, ICANN80, and ICANN81 meetings.

Nominations must be submitted no later than Friday, 1 November 2023.

The community-nominated mentor will be responsible for overseeing the mentor process. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students.

Guidelines for the program can be found [here](#). Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org.

Public Comment

WEDNESDAY: [ccNSO PDP4 Initial Report on the \(de-\)selection of IDN ccTLDs](#)

Open for Submissions: 16 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 27 September 2023

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

Open for Submissions: 01 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 28 September 2023

[Proposed Updates to Existing Rights Protection Mechanisms Documentation](#)

Open for Submissions: 24 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 03 October 2023

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