ICANN Community Digest

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

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NEW: ICANN78 Governmental Advisory Committee Communiqué Now Available

The GAC Communiqué is available to read here.

NEW: Margarita Valdés Cortés Honored with Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building

The ICANN Board recognized Valdés's significant efforts in capacity building on a local, regional, and global scale.

Read more.

NEW: Recognizing ICANN Community Contributions in 2023

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) would like to express its gratitude
for the community’s tireless efforts and cooperative spirit over the last year. The ICANN community continuously displayed resiliency and dedication to the mission of ICANN throughout the year.

**Information Sharing**

**NEW: ICANN CEO Search Update: Position Description and Application**

Interested applicants should submit a CV and cover letter detailing how they fulfill the Position Description and outlining their core competencies, attributes, and experience. The deadline for applications is 27 November 2023.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: ICANN Seeks Input: Draft Report of the Root Zone DNSSEC Algorithm Rollover Study**

This proceeding seeks input on the draft report and recommendations of the design team to inform their final report.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: ICANN Publishes Updated Domain Name Marketplace Indicators**

The initiative presents statistics related to generic top-level domains (gTLDs) and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs) with the aim of fostering greater transparency for reputable information on the evolution of the domain name marketplace.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: .DESI to Be Placed in the Emergency Back-End Registry Operator Program**

This action is being taken following the request of the registry operator, Desi Networks LLC, to terminate its registry agreement and transfer .DESI to an EBERO, and not as a result of a technical issue.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: Update on ICANN-Funded INFERMAL Project Designed To Combat DNS Abuse**

The INFERMAL project aims to uncover cyberattackers’ preferences in maliciously registering domain names and study the pragmatic measures employed to mitigate against Domain Name System (DNS) abuse.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: ICANN Marks 10 Years of Progress Toward an Inclusive and Multilingual Internet**

In October 2013, the first new generic top-level domains (gTLDs) were introduced into the Internet’s Domain Name System (DNS) from the 2012 round of the New gTLD Program.

[Read more.](#)

**NEW: ICANN APAC Regional Plan Report Highlights FY23 Achievements**

The report covers the contributions of the APAC regional office to ICANN's Strategic Plan.

[Read more.](#)
**NEW DEADLINE:** NextGen Mentor Program Nominations Deadline Extended

***NextGen Mentor Program Nominations Deadline Extended to December 1st. Please submit nominations ASAP. Please note this is a funded traveler position and I must have nominations submitted on time for ICANN79. Thank you.***

NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations. The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations for the 2024 Mentor Program. This appointment will serve for ICANN79, ICANN80, and ICANN81. Nominations must be submitted no later than **Friday, 1 December 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 at the link below. Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org.

Read more.

☐ **ACTION ITEM:** NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN79 Extended to Early November 2023

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

DEADLINE: 03 November 2023

Read more.

☐ **ACTION ITEM:** Call for Nominations: ICANN Academy 2024 Leadership Program

From 9 October – 15 November 2023, ICANN has issued a call for nominations for the 2024 Leadership Program, scheduled for 29 February –1 March in San Juan, Puerto Rico, just prior to the ICANN79 Public Meeting.

Deadline: 15 November 2023

Read more.

**Public Comment**

**NEW:** Draft Report of the Root Zone DNSSEC Algorithm Rollover Study
Open for Submissions: 19 October 2023
Closed for Submissions: 04 December 2023

Pilot Holistic Review Revised Draft Terms of Reference
Open for Submissions: 28 September 2023
Closed for Submissions: 27 November 2023

See [upcoming proceedings](#).

See [other public consultations](#).