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ICANN Community Digest

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

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ICANN79

NEW: ICANN79 Community Childcare Grants Program: Now Accepting Applications

Grants of up to $750 per family are available for ICANN Public Meeting participants who meet the criteria, are bringing children, and will incur expenses associated with babysitting and/or local childcare services.

Deadline: **Friday, 26 January 2024**, at 23:59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

Read more.

Information Sharing

NEW: Secretary's Notice | ICANN81 Location Selection

Please find the 27 November 2023 Secretary's Notice of the ICANN Board Action Without a Meeting where here.

NEW: Press Release: ICANN Launches Global Service to Simplify Requests for Nonpublic Domain Name Registration Data

The RDRS is a free, global, one-stop shop ticketing system that handles nonpublic gTLD registration data requests. The RDRS connects requestors of nonpublic data with the relevant ICANN-accredited registrars for gTLD domain names that are participating in the service.

Read more.

NEW: Security Topics Drive ICANN LAC Engagement in 2023

ICANN Latin American and Caribbean Global Stakeholder Engagement (LAC GSE) team is beginning to review its work and prepare for future engagement efforts in 2024. This year, we made notable contributions towards empowering members of ICANN's technical community and engaging in discussions on Internet governance.

Read more.

NEW: ICANN Mobile Network Operator Day 2023: Strengthening the DNS Ecosystem Security

The inaugural ICANN Mobile Network Operator Day featured presentations and panel discussions led by ICANN, the African Network Information Centre, Zambia ICT Regulation Authority (ZICTA), and Network Service Providers Association of Zambia (NSPAZ).

Read more.

NEW: Attend ICANN's Draft FY25 Operating Plan & Budget Informational Webinar

ICANN invites the community to participate in an informational webinar about the Draft ICANN, Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA), and Public Technical Identifier (PTI) Fiscal Year (FY) 25 Plans and Budgets. Both webinars will present identical information on these plans.

13 December 2023 at 01:00 UTC, please register here.
13 December 2023 at 17:00 UTC, please register here.

Announcement

TODAY: Formation of a Continuous Improvement Program Community Coordination Group (CIP-CCG)

ICANN org reached out to SO/AC Chairs and sent them a full letter and a draft CIP-CCG terms of reference to propose the formation of a CIP-CCG to convene in December 2023. The goal is to develop a framework for implementation of ATRT3 Recommendation 3.6. The feedback from SO/AC Chairs is expected by **30 November.**

TODAY: Retirement of Non-Policy Recommendations

ICANN org shared a document named "Draft Process to Retire Non-Policy Recommendations" with SO/AC Chairs and expects their feedback by **30 November.** The process pertains exclusively to non-policy recommendations that emerge from Reviews and Cross-Community Working Groups, aligning with the objective of the implementation of ATRT3 Recommendation 5.

Action Items

TODAY ACTION ITEM: Call for Volunteers: Join the Community Coordination Group (CIP-CCG) that will help design the future Continuous Improvement Program

The leadership of the ICANN Supporting Organizations (SOs), Advisory Committees (ACs), and their constituent stakeholder groups (22 total including the Nominating Committee) will be appointing one representative (with an optional secondary alternate) to join the Continuous Improvement Program Community Coordination Group (CIP-CCG). Appointees are expected to be identified **by the end of**

November 2023, with a view toward an initial meeting in December 2023. Please share your interest in participation with your structure's leadership.

The CIP-CCG will be responsible for helping to design and implement a Continuous Improvement Program. This is a great opportunity to take a leadership role in designing a program which will have lasting impact on the effectiveness and accountability of your community structure. In this work, the Community Coordination Group will be responsible for:
1. Developing a shared understanding of the meaning of Continuous Improvement in the context of ATRT3 Recommendation 3.6, calling for Organizational Reviews to be evolved into a Continuous Improvement Program (CIP),
2. Considering a range of methodologies for effective continuous improvement programs,
3. Agreeing on the methodology that is fit for ICANN purpose, and
4. Formulating a CIP Framework, to be used by each SO, AC and NomCom.

For transparency of the process, input received will be posted on a community page at https://community.icann.org/x/WJRME.

ACTION ITEM: ICANN Community Excellence Award Selection Panel

ICANN Supporting Organization and Advisory Committee Leaderships are invited to appoint up to two individuals from their communities to comprise the 2024 ICANN Community Excellence Award Selection Panel by Monday, **11 December 2023.**

2024 ICANN Community Excellence Award will be presented at ICANN79 in San Juan. A nomination period will be open from 13 November 2023 through 8 January 2024. ICANN is convening a community selection panel that will review the nominations and select the award recipient(s).

It would be ideal for panelists to serve a maximum of two consecutive terms on the selection panel to ensure diversity and variety of input and equal opportunity among community members to take part in this recognition effort.

For more information about the ICANN Community Excellence Award please see Community Excellence Award wiki space: https://community.icann.org/x/YyOAAw

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ACTION ITEM: ICANN80 Fellowship Application Round Now Open

The ICANN80 meeting is scheduled for 10–13 June 2024 in Kigali, Rwanda. If ICANN80 is held virtually, the Fellowship Program will also be held virtually. The deadline to apply is **16 December 2023 at 23:59 UTC.**

Read more.

ACTION ITEM: ICANN Community Excellence Award: Now Accepting Nominations

The nomination period will close **8 January 2024 at 23:59 UTC.**

The revised nomination period reflects that the presentation of the 2024 Community Excellence Award has been moved from the Policy Forum in June to the Community Forum in March.

Read more.

Public Comment

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

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