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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NEW: Chair’s Blog: January Board Workshop Recap

During the workshop, which took place 19–21 January, the Board made progress in several areas of our work.

Read more.
NEW: ICANN is Building Awareness to Support the New gTLD Program: Next Round

The second phase of the campaign will generate global awareness of the next round of applications for new gTLDs and set expectations about the application process.

Read more.

Action Items

- **ACTION ITEM:** Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN80

  ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the African region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN80 Policy Forum. ICANN80 is scheduled to be held in Kigali, Rwanda, from 10–13 June 2024.

  **Deadline: 23 February 2024**

  Read more.

- **ACTION ITEM:** Apply Now for ICANN Leadership Positions

  Selected individuals will have a unique opportunity to work with accomplished colleagues from around the globe to help shape the policy development and technical coordination of the Internet’s unique identifiers.

  **Deadline: 15 March 2024 at 23:59 UTC**

  Read more.

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