

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: Status Update: New gTLD Program: Next Round

ICANN org's status report on the New gTLD Program: Next Round prior to ICANN 79 can be found [here](#).

NEW: ICANN79 GAC 'Open Mic' Session

To leverage the "Community Forum" format of the ICANN79 Public Meeting, GAC Members have created the opportunity for the ICANN community to gather in the GAC meeting room on Tuesday 5 March at 13:00 UTC (09:00 San Juan time) to share their news and views with committee delegates in-person and online during the meeting.

For more information or to sign up for a speaking slot, please visit: <https://go.icann.org/GACOpenMic>

Information Sharing

NEW: ICANN Publishes Registration Data Policy

The Registration Data Policy is the result of broad community efforts to develop registration data policy requirements that can be implemented in compliance with applicable law.

[Announcement](#)
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NEW: ICANN Publishes Fiscal Year 2024 Second Quarter Management Financial Results

ICANN has published its fiscal year 2024 (FY24) second quarter (Q2) management financial results. ICANN also published the FY24 Q2 management financial results for its PTI affiliate.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Approved Resolutions | Special Meeting of the ICANN Board | 15 February 2024

Please find the Approved Resolutions from the 15 February 2024 Special Meeting of the ICANN Board [here](#).

NEW: ICANN for Beginners: Join the Policy and Advice Development Webinar

"ICANN for Beginners: Policy and Advice Development," will introduce newcomers to policy and advice development at ICANN.

Register for the one that suits you best:

3 April 2024 at 14:00 UTC | [Register to attend](#)

4 April 2024 at 6:00 UTC | [Register to attend](#)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN Invites Applications for Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy 2024

The application window for the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy (APIGA) 2024 will open on Monday, 26 February 2024 00:00 KST (UTC+9).

[Read more.](#)

Community Consultation On Timing and Potential Deferral of ATRT4 Review

ICANN org is initiating consultation with the community to seek input on the timing of the Fourth Accountability and Transparency Review (ATRT4) and whether there is a need for a deferral of the ATRT4 for a limited time. A consultation approach is being used because it will allow for a targeted

conversation with the SO/AC Chairs and their constituencies. While ATRT4 is of general interest to the entire ICANN community, it is important for the Board and org to understand whether the SO/ACs would be available to come together to populate, perform and deliver the recommendations within the ATRT4 while carrying out their other work.

Members of the ICANN org Review Support and Accountability team are available to meet with interested community groups during ICANN79 or after to address questions about ATRT4 Timing and other Review Topics.

To schedule a meeting to discuss, please contact: rsa-coordinators@icann.org

Community consultation and engagement activities leading up to and during ICANN79 include:

- ICANN79 Prep Week Webinar (Thursday, 22 February)
- ICANN79 Community Session on ATRT4 Deferral and Pilot Holistic Review (Tuesday, 5 March)
- ICANN79 briefings (at the request of your community group)

Action Items

TOMORROW 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.](#)

Public Comment

[Draft NCAP Study 2 Report and Responses to Questions Regarding Name Collisions](#)

Open for Submissions: 19 January 2024

Closed for Submissions: 28 February 2024

[Phase 1 Final Report of the EPDP on Internationalized Domain Names](#)

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Closed for Submissions: 12 March 2024

[Proposed Language for Draft Sections of the Next Round Applicant Guidebook](#)

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Closed for Submissions: 19 March 2024

[Proposed Top-Level Domain String for Private Use](#)

Open for Submissions: 24 January 2024

Closed for Submissions: 21 March 2024

[String Similarity Review Guidelines](#)

Open for Submissions: 07 February 2024

Closed for Submissions: 27 March 2024

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Open for Submissions: 12 February 2024

Closed for Submissions: 02 April 2024

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