

## 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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## Information Sharing

### **NEW:** ICANN81 Fellowship Application Round Now Open

ICANN is opening the application round for the ICANN Fellowship Program for the ICANN81 Annual General Meeting, which will take place in Istanbul, Türkiye, from 9-14 November 2024.

**Deadline: 19 April 2024, 23:59 UTC.**

[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 ICANN 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.

To schedule a meeting, please contact: [rsa-coordinators@icann.org](mailto:rsa-coordinators@icann.org)

## Action Items

### **CLOSES SUNDAY** ▢ **ACTION ITEM: 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).

Deadline: **Sunday, 24 March 2024 23:59 KST (UTC+9)**

[Read more.](#)

## Webinars

### **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](#)

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## Public Comment

### **CLOSES TODAY: [Proposed Top-Level Domain String for Private Use](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 24 January 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 21 March 2024

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### **[Review of the Draft Applicant Support Program \(ASP\) Handbook – New gTLD Program](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 12 February 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 02 April 2024

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### **[String Similarity Review Guidelines](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 07 February 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 10 April 2024

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### **[Proposed Bylaws Updates to Limit Access to Accountability Mechanisms](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 27 February 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 15 April 2024

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### **[Review of the Draft Registry Service Provider \(RSP\) Handbook - New gTLD Program](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 13 March 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 22 April 2024

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### **[Proposed Renewal of the Registry Agreement for the .XXX top-level domain \(TLD\)](#)**

**Open for Submissions:** 18 March 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 29 April 2024

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