

## 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: ICANN Launches WSIS+20 Mailing List**

During the ICANN79 Geopolitical, Legislative, and Regulatory Update session, ICANN launched the WSIS+20 mailing list. The mailing list aims to bring together like-minded stakeholders to facilitate coordinated efforts as part of the 20-year review of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS+20).

ICANN invites individuals and organizations from around the world to join us in this effort by joining the mailing list. The mailing list will facilitate communication and information exchange. Subscribers are expected to actively participate, collaborate, share resources, and advocate in upholding the multistakeholder model.

**Subscribe:** <https://go.icann.org/wsisis20>

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**NEW: ICANN Community Excellence Award 2024 Honors Manal Ismail**

A selection panel of representatives from ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees recognized Ismail's commitment to ICANN's multistakeholder model and her ability to work with community members from various backgrounds and cultures.

[Read more.](#)

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### **NEW: A Preview of the ICANN80 Policy Forum**

The upcoming ICANN80 Policy Forum is set to take place from 10–13 June 2024 in the vibrant city of Kigali, Rwanda, at the Kigali Convention Centre. Rwanda is notable in Africa for its advances in the digital economy, exemplified by its innovative initiatives fostering tech innovation and digital infrastructure development.

[Read more.](#)

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### **NEW: Update From the ICANN Board's CEO Search Committee**

The Board is diligently working toward identifying the individual who has the right temperament and balance of personal, management, and technical skills to lead ICANN during these exceptional times, and into the next chapter of its journey.

[Read more.](#)

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### **NEW: Approved Resolutions | Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board | 7 March 2024**

Please find the Approved Resolutions from the 07 March 2024 Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board [here](#).

### **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

### **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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### **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)**

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## 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](#)

[Read more.](#)

## Public Comment

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

**Open for Submissions:** 23 January 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 12 March 2024

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

**Open for Submissions:** 01 February 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 19 March 2024

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

**Open for Submissions:** 24 January 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 21 March 2024

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

**Open for Submissions:** 07 February 2024

**Closed for Submissions:** 27 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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### [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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