

ICANN Community Digest



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ICANN81

Register Now for ICANN81

ICANN81 will be held 09 - 14 November 2024 at the Istanbul Congress Center.

[Register and Read more](#)

ICANN Reviews team available for engagement during ICANN81

The ICANN Reviews Program encompasses the management of Specific Reviews and Organizational Reviews, including any resulting implementation work that relates to improving the reviews process.

The ICANN org Review Support and Accountability team is available to your group to engage on the status of several initiatives underway to improve ICANN Reviews, including:

- Launch of the Pilot Holistic Review
- Progress of the work led by the community to evolve Organizational Reviews into a Continuous Improvement Program
- Planning for the Fourth Accountability and Transparency Review

Schedule an engagement with us by contacting rsa-coordinators@icann.org.

[ICANN Accountability page](#) | [ICANN.org Reviews page](#)

ICANN81 Community Childcare Grants Program: Apply Now

The program facilitates in-person participation of community members with children who are 12 years old or younger at ICANN Public Meetings and eligible ICANN events.

Deadline: Friday, 4 October 2024, at 23:59 UTC

[Read more.](#)

Information Sharing

NEW: Next Round Champions Toolkit Available in the Six ICANN Languages

ICANN is working with the community to identify potential Applicant Support Program (ASP) applicants – especially in regions that are currently under-represented in ICANN. If you are interested in helping to raise awareness among your own contacts or communities, please use the materials in the [Next Round Champions Toolkit](#).

To stay up to date on the New gTLD Program: Next Round and ASP, join the mailing list: nextroundinfo@icann.org. ASP leads, targets, and ideas can be sent to engagement.newgTLDprogram@icann.org.

NEW: ICANNWiki Seeking Volunteers

ICANNWiki is seeking volunteers to assist with creating and editing articles and content for the site. Do you want to help? Getting started is as simple as [requesting an account](#). Then, make sure to read the short [content guide](#) to get a feel for what belongs in the wiki. Also, feel free to take a look at some data source suggestions on where to find reliable data. Happy editing!

NEW: ICANN Announces Pilot Holistic Review Team

The Pilot Holistic Review Team is tasked with developing the guidelines and methodologies for the future Holistic Review, recommended by the third Accountability and Transparency Review Team.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN84 Annual General Meeting Location Announced

ICANN announced that Muscat, Oman, has been selected as the location for the ICANN84 Annual General Meeting. The event will take place from 25–30 October 2025 at the Oman Convention and Exhibition Centre.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Approved Resolutions | Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board | 7 September 2024

Please find the Approved Resolutions from the 7 September 2024 Regular Meeting of the ICANN Board [here](#).

NEW: A Path Forward: Contention Set Resolution for the New gTLD Program: Next Round

During its workshop in Los Angeles (6–8 September 2024), the ICANN Board spent considerable time discussing the resolution of contention sets in the New gTLD Program: Next Round (Next Round).

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Driving Toward Our Future

The ICANN community is a place where all participants should feel welcomed, appreciated, and valued. This is a belief that my fellow Board members and I are committed to protecting. In support of this, the Board has been relentlessly committed to change, with an intense focus on transformation.

[Read more.](#)

Events

NEW: Libya School on Internet Governance 2024

Date: Monday 16 September 2024 (13:00 - 14:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: APTLD86

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2024 (02:27 UTC) - Thursday 19 September 2024 (10:27 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Digital Skills Forum 2024

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2024 (06:00 UTC) - Friday 20 September 2024 (14:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN Technical Training Europe: Advanced DNSSEC

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2024 (12:00 - 13:30 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Aspen Digital CyberSummit

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2024 (13:00 - 20:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: CaribNOG28

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2024 (13:00 UTC) - Saturday 21 September 2024 (13:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

Webinars

TOMORROW: LAC RDRS Webinar

This webinar will explain the purpose and benefits of RDRS to registrants and those with a need to access non-public generic top-level domain registration data.

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2024 (16:00 - 17:00 UTC)

[Read More & Register.](#)

Webinars Introduce ICANN's New gTLD Program: Next Round RSP Evaluation Program

The webinars will provide an overview of the requirements for evaluation, a description of the testing that will be conducted, and an explanation of the overall evaluation process.

Webinar 1: Tuesday, 1 October 2024 from 15:00–16:00 UTC | [Register](#)

Webinar 2: Wednesday, 2 October 2024 from 00:00–1:00 UTC | [Register](#)

[Read more.](#)

Action Items

TOMORROW: Draft ICANN FY26–30 Strategic Plan and Operating Plan Framework Open for Public Comment

The Draft ICANN FY26–30 Strategic Plan and Operating Plan Framework is open for Public Comment through **17 September 2024**. [Read More and Participate](#)

The Board Strategic Planning Committee co-chairs hosted two community webinars on 30 and 31 July 2024 to provide an in-depth overview of the plans. The zoom Recordings are posted [here](#).

Participate in ICANN's Operational Design Phase Community Consultation Survey

Community input will help ICANN identify opportunities for continuous improvement regarding ODP objectives and related mechanisms in the policy lifecycle to fulfill the needs of the Board, community, and org.

Deadline: 27 September 2024

[Read more and access the survey here.](#)

NextGen@ICANN82 Applications

ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the North America region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN82 Community Forum. ICANN82 is scheduled to be held in Seattle, Washington, from 8–13 March 2025.

Deadline: 11 October 2024

[Read more.](#)

NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations

The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations to fill three (3) slots for the 2025 Mentor Program. These appointments will serve for the ICANN82-84 meetings. Nominations must be submitted no later than **Thursday, 31 October 2024**.

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Fernanda Iunes at fernanda.iunes@icann.org.

NextGen@ICANN Program Selection Committee Nominations

NextGen@ICANN Program is seeking nominations to fill three (3) slots for selection committee members. Each SO/AC is asked to nominate candidates for these positions. Individual self-nominations will not be considered. Interested community groups should select their respective NextGen@ICANN Selection Committee volunteers by **Thursday, 31 October 2024**.

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Fernanda Iunes at fernanda.iunes@icann.org. Each selection committee member will serve for a period of two (2) years beginning with ICANN82.

For program details please visit our [page](#).

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Submissions Opening Date: 7 August 2024

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[Initial Report on the Transfer Policy Review](#)

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Closed for Submissions: 30 September 2024

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

Open for Submissions: 10 September 2024

Closed for Submissions: 21 October 2024

[Additional Reference Label Generation Rules and Related Updates](#)

Open for Submissions: 12 September 2024

Closed for Submissions: 24 October 2024

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