

ICANN Community Digest



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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: ICANN Names New Ombuds

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) announces that the ICANN Board of Directors has selected Elizabeth Field as its next Ombuds. Field's appointment comes after an extensive international search to replace Herb Waye, who acted as Adjunct Ombuds for more than a decade before serving as Ombuds from 2016 to 2023.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN's Canada Week: Training, Tutorials, and Roundtable Discussions

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is excited to announce its participation in a week of Internet-related activities in Ottawa and Toronto, Canada, from 18 to 25 October 2024.

[Read more.](#)

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.

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!

Events

NEW: LAC DNS Week and ICANN DNS Symposium

Date: Sunday, 22 September 2024 - Friday, 27 September 2024

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Pakistan School on Internet Governance 2024 (pkSIG)

Date: Tuesday, 24 September 2024 - Friday, 27 September 2024

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Engagement Evening for German Internet Community Members

Date: Wednesday, 25 September 2024 (16:00 - 18:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: 2024 Canada Youth IGF

Date: Friday, 27 September 2024 (13:30 - 21:30 UTC)

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CaribNOG28

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

[Read more.](#)

Webinars

NEW: ASP Webinar for APAC

Date: Thursday, 26 September 2024 (03:00 - 04:00 UTC)

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NEW: ICANN Webinar Series Europe: Where Does Internet Governance Stand Today: A Conversation

Date: Thursday, 26 September 2024 (12:00 - 13:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

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

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](#).

Public Comment

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

Open for Submissions: 01 August 2024

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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