

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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ICANN78

Prep Week Schedule Now Available!

ICANN78 Prep Week will be held from Monday, 9 October, to Wednesday, 11 October.

[Read more.](#)

Registration for ICANN78 is Now Open

Registration is now open for the ICANN78 Annual General Meeting, which will be held both virtually and in-person from 21-26 October 2023 in Hamburg, Germany. ICANN78 will mark the organization's 25th Annual General Meeting. Click [here](#) to learn more about how to register.

Information Sharing

NEW: Press Release: ICANN Celebrates 25 Years: Bridging the Past with a Vision of the Future

ICANN celebrates 25 years of international collaboration in overseeing the coordination of the Internet's naming system.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN Appoints Interim Ombuds

ICANN Board of Directors has appointed Krista Papac Interim Ombuds, while the ICANN Board searches for a full-time Ombuds. Herb Wayne resigned as ICANN Ombuds effective 30 September 2023. Krista assumes the Interim role on 1 October 2023.

[Read more.](#)

Join Us in Shaping ICANN's FY26-30 Strategic Plan

During this session, ICANN will conduct an environmental scan and identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that will inform its strategic planning efforts.

[Read more.](#)

Action Items

□ ACTION ITEM: Calling for NextGen@ICANN Applications for ICANN79

ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the North American region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN79 Community Forum Meeting. ICANN79 is scheduled to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico from 2–7 March 2024.

Application Deadline: 13 October 2023

[Read more.](#)

□ ACTION ITEM: NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations

The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations for the 2024 Mentor Program. This appointment will serve for the ICANN79, ICANN80, and ICANN81 meetings.

Nominations must be submitted no later than Friday, 1 November 2023.

The community-nominated mentor will be responsible for overseeing the mentor process. Communities may choose to appoint program alumni and are encouraged to appoint active community members who have an interest in mentoring students.

Guidelines for the program can be found [here](#). Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Deborah Escalera, deborah.escalera@icann.org.

Public Comment

CLOSES TOMORROW: [Proposed Updates to Existing Rights Protection Mechanisms Documentation](#)

Open for Submissions: 24 August 2023

Closed for Submissions: 03 October 2023

[Pilot Holistic Review Revised Draft Terms of Reference](#)

Open for Submissions: 28 September 2023

Closed for Submissions: 27 November 2023

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