

**Statement of the Non-Commercial Stakeholders Group on the  
Proposed Dates for ICANN Public Meetings 2021–2023**

The Non-Commercial Stakeholders Group (NCSG) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the proposed dates for Public Meetings to be held in 2021, 2022, and 2023.

We have carefully considered the proposed dates and undertaken an extensive consultation with our community to understand which, if any, statutory holidays, religious and/or cultural events, important political events, or recurring civil society events may conflict with the proposed dates.

Our membership has identified the following conflict:

- ICANN 71 - 1 July - this is an important national holiday in Canada, ‘Canada Day’.
- ICANN 73 conflicts with the Internet Freedom Festival, an important civil society event always held the first week of March in Valencia, Spain.

The NCSG is grateful for this opportunity to share our community’s feedback. We trust you will evaluate the impact of these conflicts before the Public Meeting dates are confirmed and, if feasible, seek to mitigate it. We are also at your service should there be a later benefit in consulting with the community over future meeting locations. Thank you.