



ICANN Multistakeholder model

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What Is ICANN?

Unique Names and Numbers

Anything connected to the Internet – including computers, mobile phones, and other devices – has a unique number called an IP address. IP stands for Internet Protocol.



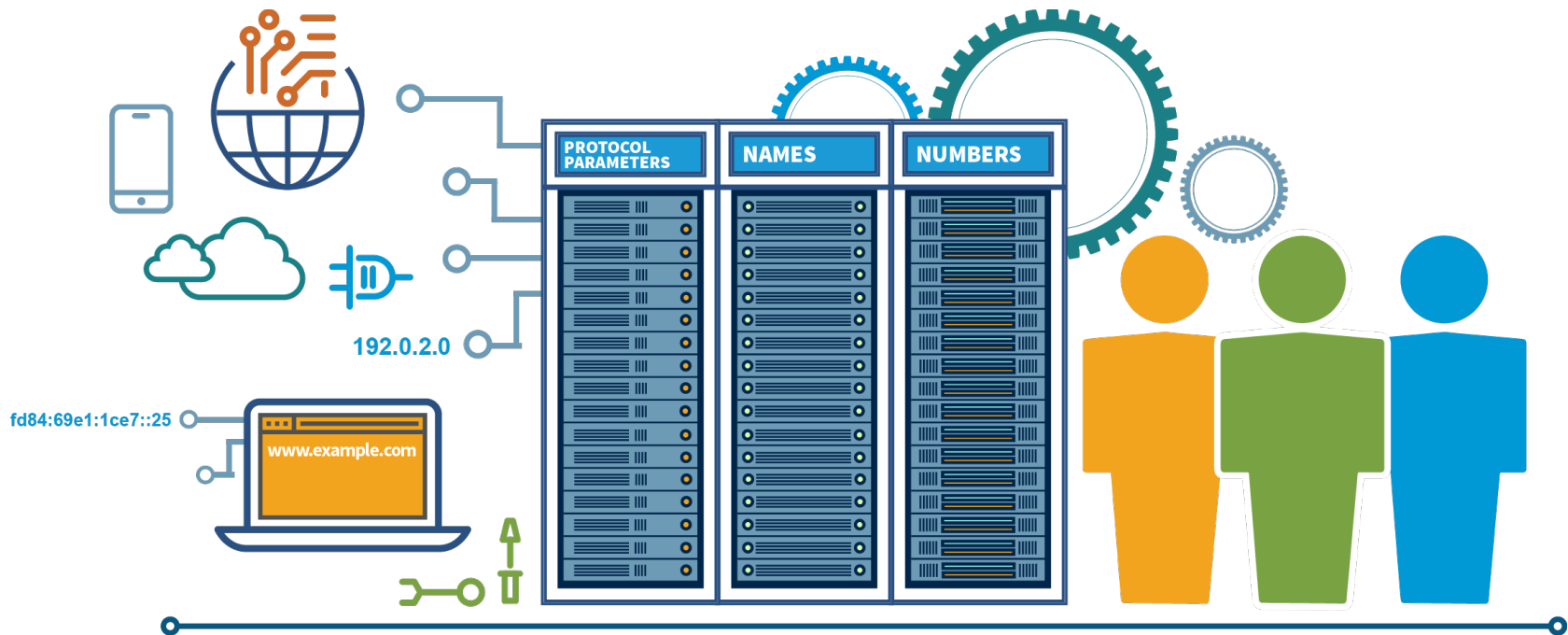
This address is like a postal address. It allows messages, videos, and other packets of data to be sent from anywhere on the Internet to the device that has been uniquely identified by its IP address.

IP addresses can be difficult to remember, so instead of numbers, the Internet's Domain Name System uses letters, numbers, and hyphens to form a name that is easier to remember.



Overview

Coordinating with our partners,
we help make the Internet work.



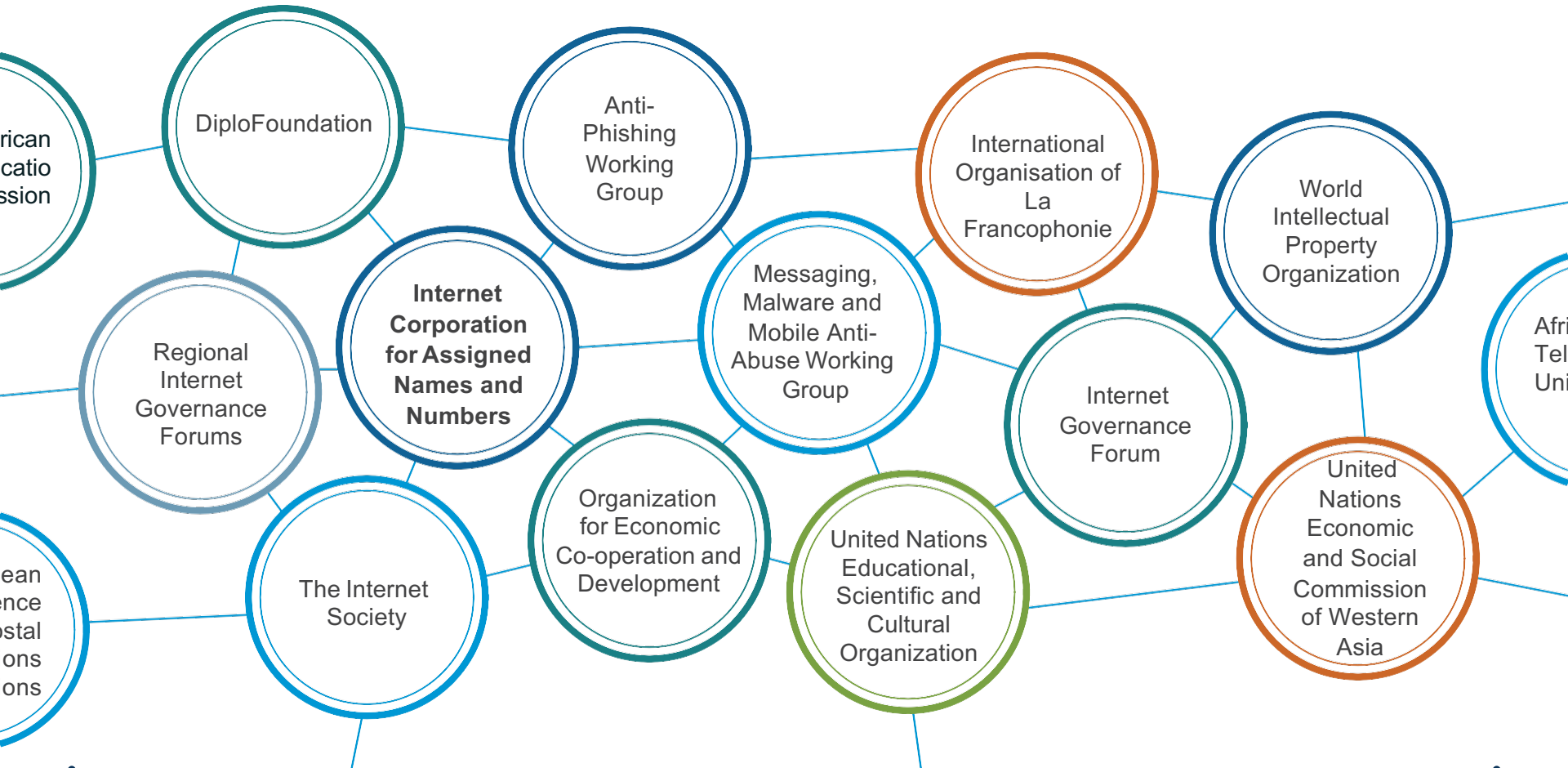
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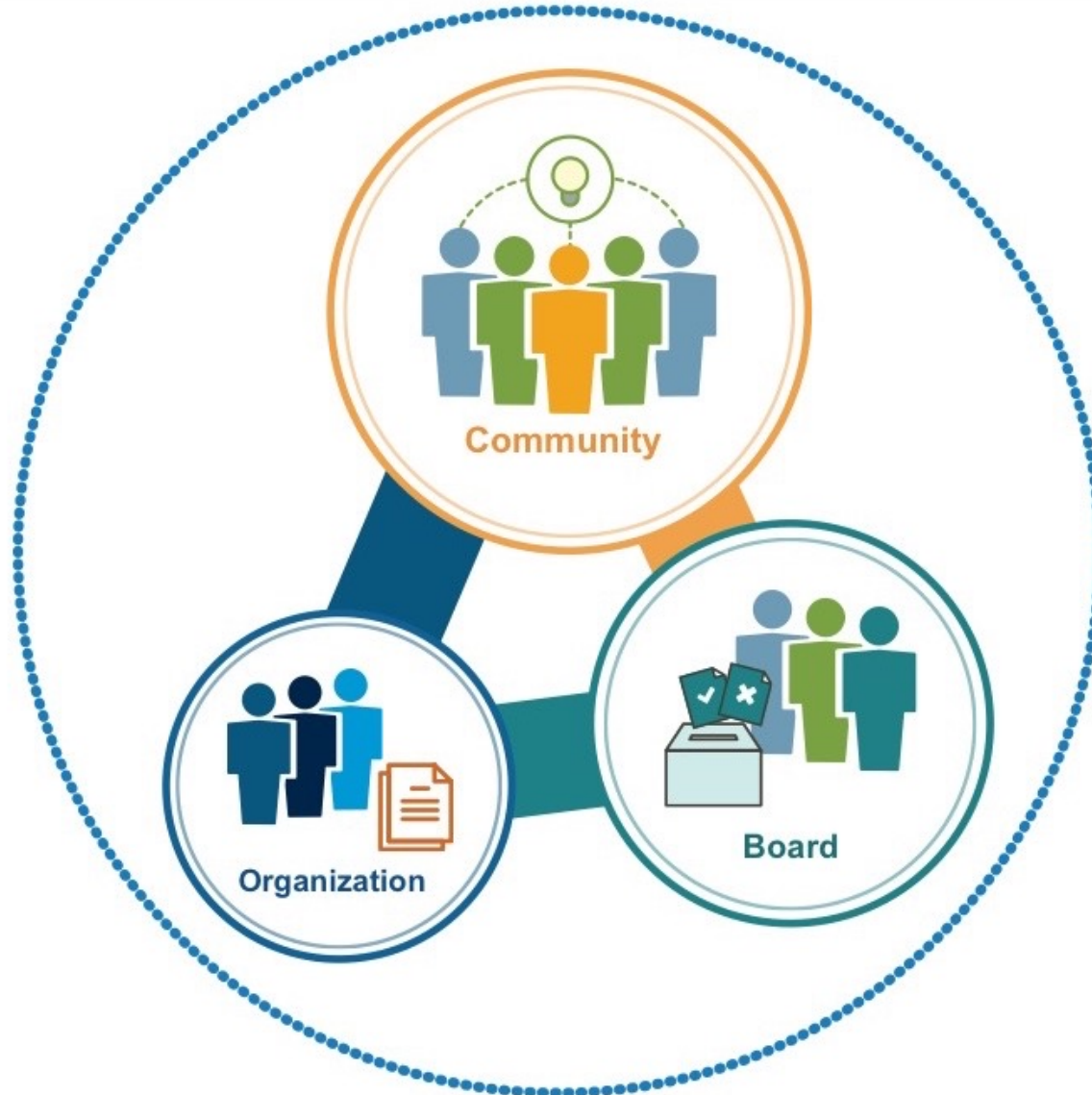


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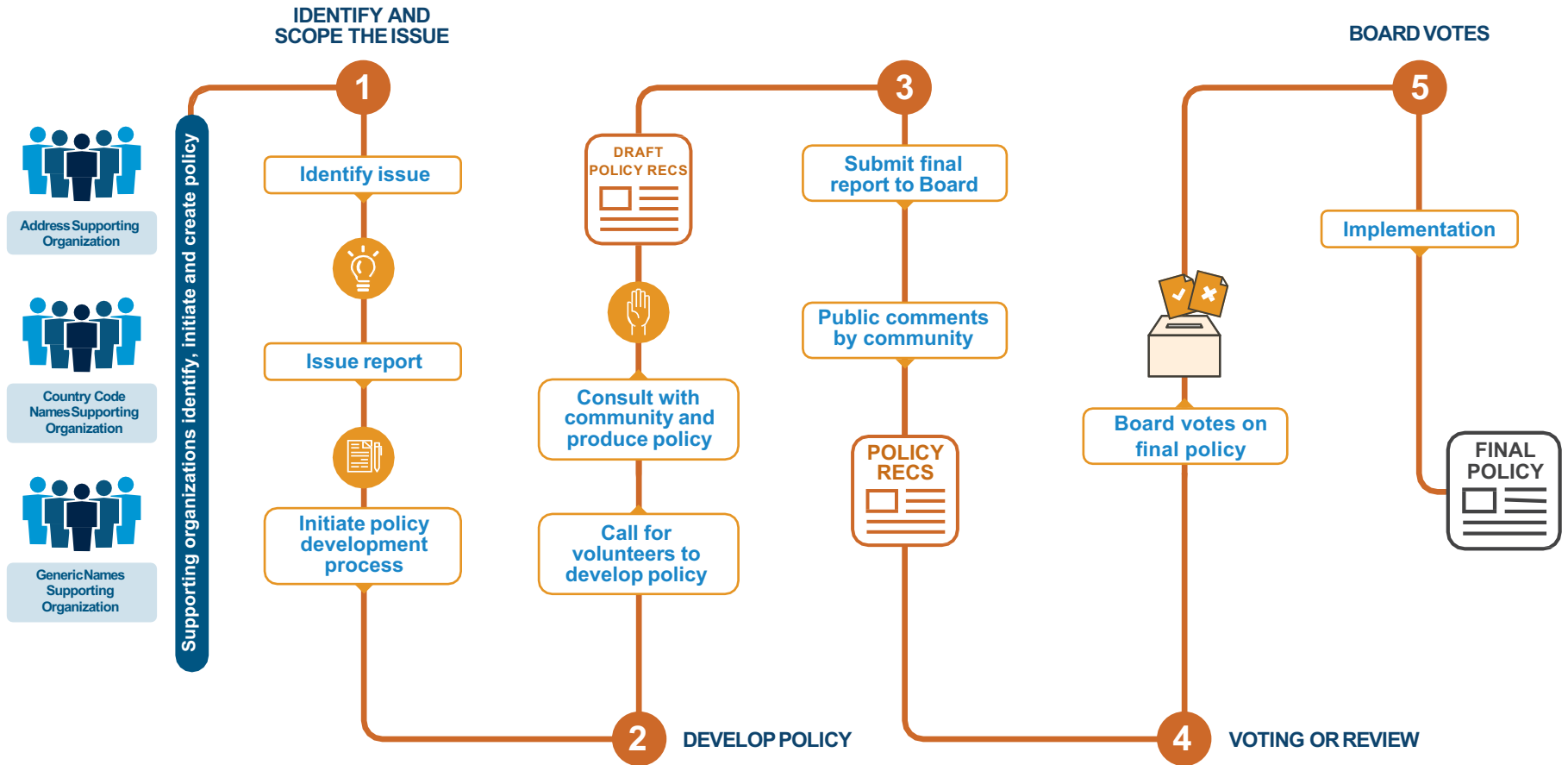
We all work together in different ways to help make the Internet work.



ICANN Ecosystem



How Does the Community Develop Policy?



Advisory Committees can participate during the process

- At-Large Advisory Committee
- Security and Stability Advisory Committee
- Root Server System Advisory Committee
- Governmental Advisory Committee

Some of What the ICANN Organization Does



Domain Name System

The Domain Name System provides addressing for the Internet so people can find websites, send email, and other tasks. The ICANN org also supports the stability of the DNS through its work, contracts, and accreditations.



Policy Development

The ICANN org supports inclusive, open and transparent multi-stakeholder bottom-up consensus-based policy development mechanisms.



IMRS (L-Root)

The ICANN org hosts and supports 1 of the 13 L-Root infrastructures. At over 160 locations worldwide, L-Root is critical to infrastructure that helps reduce latency and improves performance of the DNS.



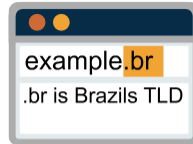
Support and Grow the Community

The ICANN org engages, nurtures and supports interested stakeholders for active and meaningful participation in ICANN. ICANN connects with stakeholders through outreach and engagement, and meeting and event support.



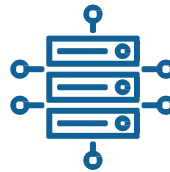
Generic Top-Level Domains

The ICANN org manages the Domain Name System's top-level domains. ICANN helps promote competition and choice in the gTLD marketplace.



Country Code Top-Level Domains

The ICANN org delegates top-level domains identified with a country code. Management is done by national ccTLD operators.



Protocol Parameters

The ICANN org, in coordination with the Internet Engineering Task Force, manages protocol parameters by maintaining many of the codes and numbers used in Internet protocols.



Internet Protocol Addresses

By serving as the central repository for IP addresses, the ICANN org helps coordinate how IP addresses are supplied – preventing repetition and conflicts.

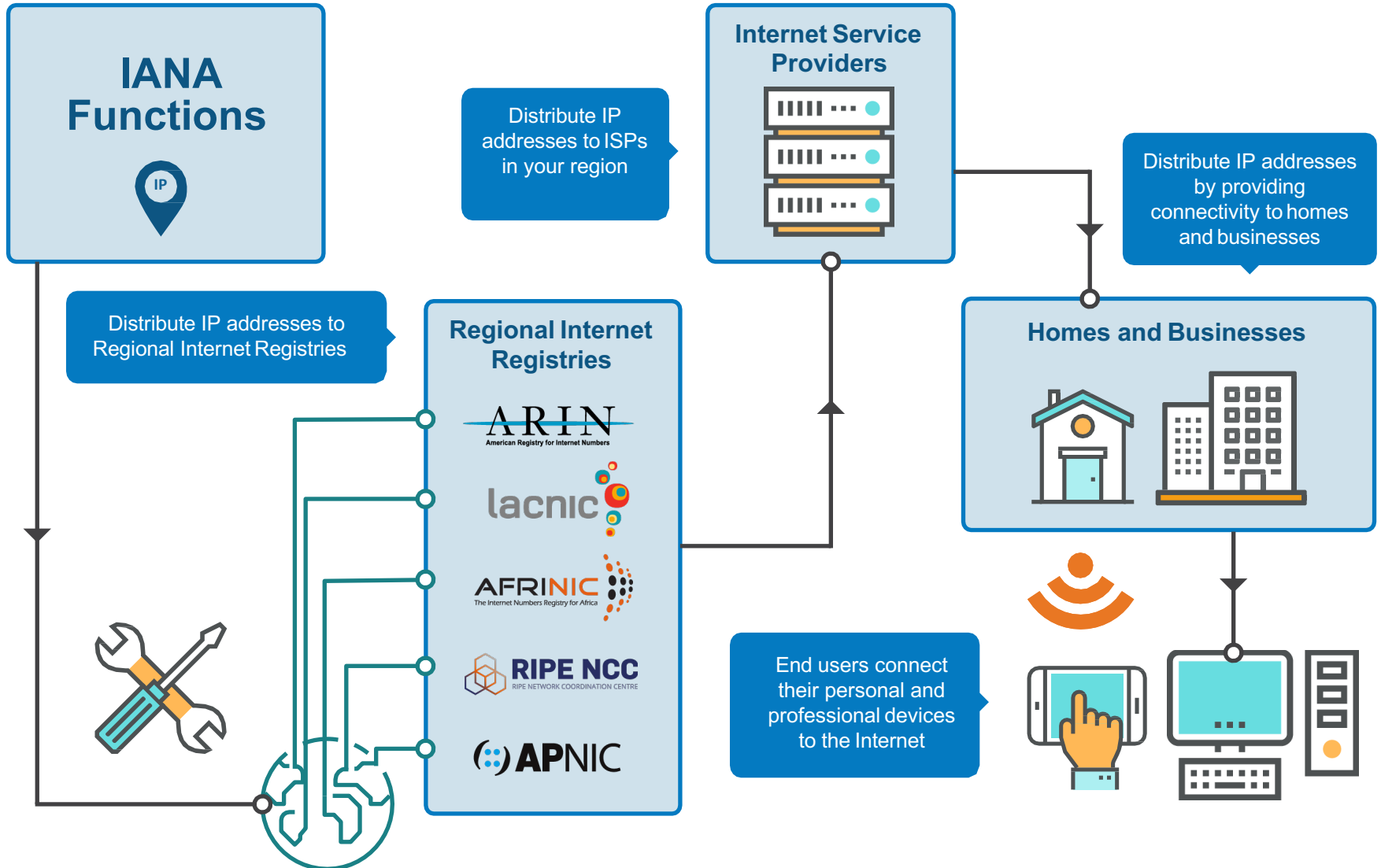


Root Zone Management

The ICANN org helps manage the root zone through the IANA functions, which involves assigning the operators of top-level domains, such as .bank and .com, and maintaining technical and administrative details.

IANA Functions

How Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses Are Distributed








Mission, Values, and Role

ICANN's Mission

The mission of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is to **ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems**


Specifically, ICANN:

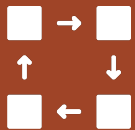
-  1 Coordinates the allocation and assignment of names in the root zone of the Domain Name System
-  2 Coordinates the development and implementation of policies concerning the registration of second-level domain names in generic top-level domains (gTLDs)
-  3 Facilitates the coordination of the operation and evolution of the DNS root name server system
-  4 Coordinates the allocation and assignment at the top-most level of Internet Protocol numbers and Autonomous System numbers
-  5 Collaborates with other bodies as appropriate to provide registries needed for the functioning of the Internet as specified by Internet protocol standards development organizations


ICANN's Commitments & Core Values

In performing its mission, ICANN will act in a manner that complies with and reflects ICANN's commitments and respects ICANN's core values

These commitments and core values include:

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1 Preserving and enhancing **stability, security, resiliency,** and **openness** of the DNS and the Internet
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2 Employing **open, transparent and bottom-up,** multistakeholder policy development processes that are led by the private sector
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3 Operating with **efficiency and excellence,** in a fiscally responsible and accountable manner



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(Headquarters)
Brussels, Belgium
Istanbul, Turkey
Montevideo, Uruguay
Singapore

Engagement Centers:

Beijing, China
Geneva, Switzerland
Nairobi, Kenya
Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

Partnership Centers:

Asunción, Paraguay
Cairo, Egypt
Seoul, Republic of Korea

Multistakeholder Model

The ICANN Multistakeholder Community

ICANN follows a bottom-up, multistakeholder model in which individuals, non-commercial organizations, industry, and governments play important roles in its community-based, consensus-driven, policymaking approach.



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<https://www.icann.org/community>

What Is the Multistakeholder Community?



The community is a **volunteer-based**, open collection of global stakeholders that work together through a bottom-up process to give advice, make policy recommendations, conduct reviews, and propose implementation solutions for common problems within ICANN's mission and scope.



The ICANN Multistakeholder Community

MAKING POLICY:

Three Supporting Organizations (SOs) are responsible for developing policy recommendations in the areas they represent: IP addresses, generic top-level domains (gTLDs), and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs).



PROVIDING ADVICE:

Four Advisory Committees (ACs) give advice and make recommendations on ICANN topics. The ACs are made up of representatives from: governments and international treaty organizations, root server operators, Internet security experts, and Internet end users.



Who Is in the Multistakeholder Community?



The community is made up of volunteers from across the world and from many different **backgrounds**, including: businesses, Internet engineers, technical experts, civil society, governments, end users, and many others.



How Does the Multistakeholder Model Work?



The ICANN community – through its Supporting Organizations (SOs) and influenced by its Advisory Committees (ACs) – **develops and refines policy recommendations.**



Exploring ICANN's Multistakeholder Structures

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Supporting Organizations (SOs)



ASO

The ASO Address Council is composed of 15 volunteers – 3 from each of the Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) – who work on global Internet Protocol (IP) Address Policy.



ccNSO

The ccNSO Council and members work on global policies relating to country code top-level domain names (ccTLD) policies (e.g., .jm, .uk).



GNSO

The GNSO Council is composed of 21 members – divided into 2 houses (contracted and non-contracted parties) – who work on generic top-level domain names (gTLD) policies (e.g., .com, new gTLDs).

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Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

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Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC)

Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)



ALAC

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GAC

The GAC provides advice on public policy issues, particularly on interactions with policies and national laws or international agreements.



RSSAC

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SSAC

The SSAC advises on matters related to the security and integrity of the Internet's naming and address allocation systems.

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Address Supporting Organization



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<https://aso.icann.org>

African Network Information Center (AFRINIC), the RIR for Africa

American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN), the RIR for Canada, parts of the Caribbean and North Atlantic islands, and the U.S.


Réseaux IP Européens Network Coordination Centre (RIPE NCC), the RIR for Europe, the Middle East, and parts of Central Asia

Asia-Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC), the RIR for Asia and Pacific Region

Latin America and Caribbean Network Information Centre (LACNIC), the RIR for Latin America and parts of the Caribbean

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The ccNSO provides a forum for country code top-level domain (ccTLD) managers to meet and discuss topical issues of concern to ccTLDs from a global perspective.

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Country Code Names Supporting Organization



<https://ccnso.icann.org>

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Generic Names Supporting Organization



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Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG) – divided into three constituencies

Registries Stakeholder Group (RySG) – gTLD registry operators

Registrars Stakeholder Group (RrSG) – domain name registrars

Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG) – supported by two constituency groups

Business Constituency (BC) for commercial business interests

Intellectual Property Constituency (IPC) for IP interests

Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers Constituency (ISPCP) for ISP interests

Non-Commercial Users Constituency (NCUC) for civil society interests

Not-for-Profit Operational Concerns Constituency (NPOC) for not-for-profit interests

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Asian, Australasian and Pacific Islands Regional At-Large Organization (APRALO)

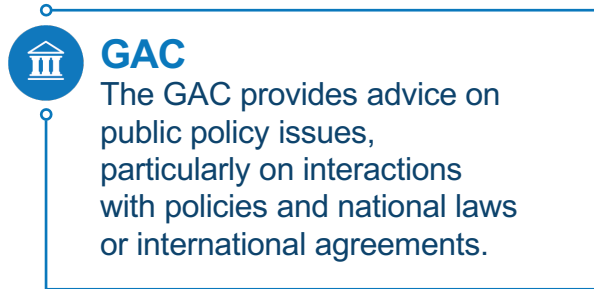
Latin American and Caribbean Islands Regional At-Large Organization (LACRALO)

African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO)

European Regional At-Large Organization (EURALO)

North American Regional At-Large Organization (NARALO)

Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)



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Governmental Advisory Committee



<https://gacweb.icann.org>

Representatives from national governments

Representatives from distinct economies recognized in international forums

Representatives from multinational governmental and treaty organizations (usually in observer capacity)

Representatives from public authorities (usually in observer capacity)

Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC)



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RSSAC consists of representatives of the organizations responsible for operating the world's 13 root name servers (as voting members).

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Root Server System Advisory Committee




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<https://www.icann.org/groups/rssac>

Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)



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The SSAC consists of technical expert individuals appointed by the ICANN Board.

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Security and Stability Advisory Committee



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Multistakeholder Policy Development

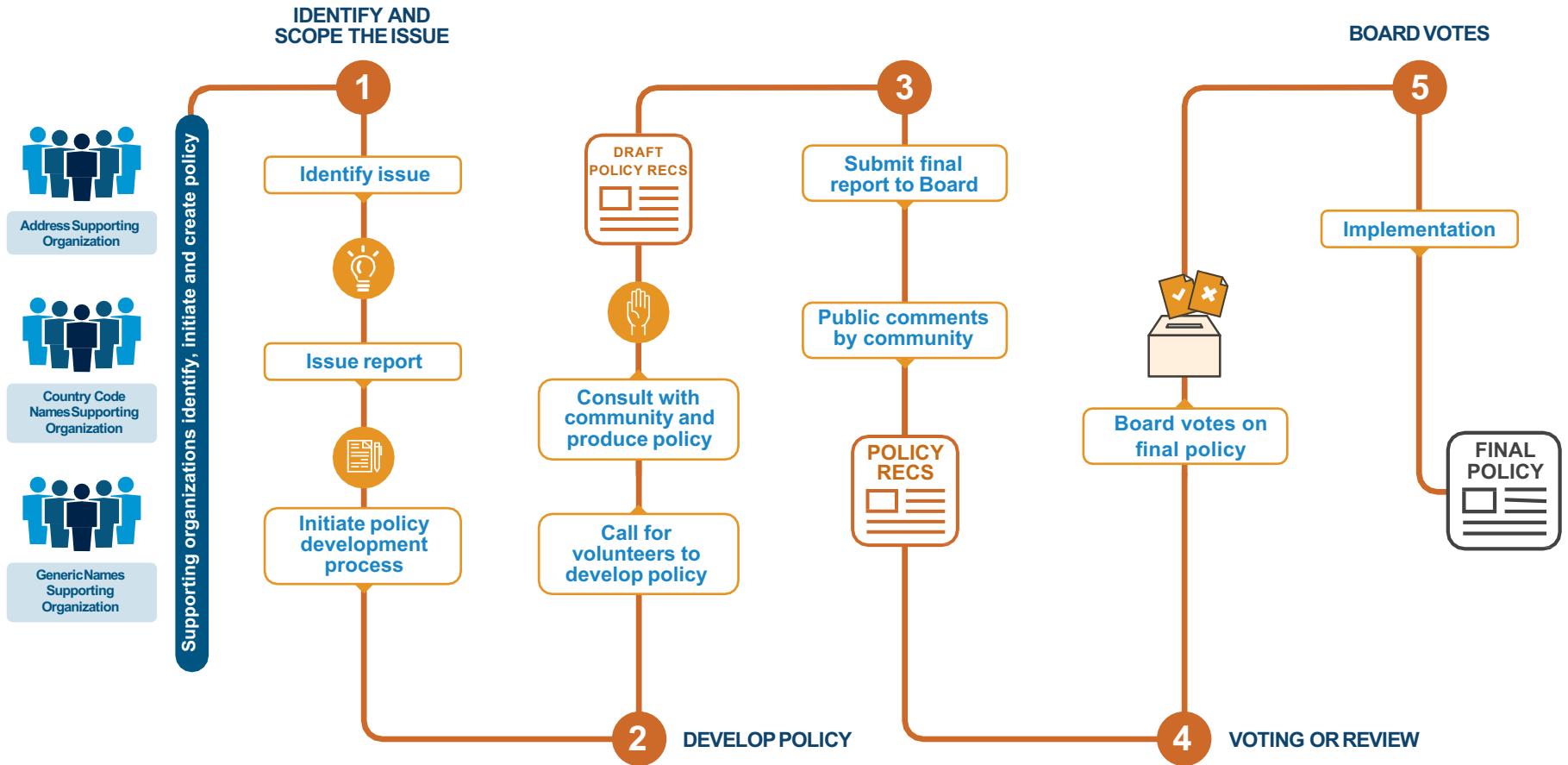
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Get Involved and Informed

Engage at ICANN

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Do you want to be at the vanguard of Internet expansion into new markets?

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Do you want to shape open standards development and new technology?

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Do you devote resources to lobbying about Internet policy at the national level?

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Do you already devote resources to lobbying about Internet policy at the national level?

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Do you want to shape policy at the global level and know what is on the horizon?

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Do you know if your competitors are already participating?

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Do you want to be part of a growing and active community?

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Do you see the Internet as a global shared resource worth supporting?

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Do you want to defend the multistakeholder model?

Get Involved and Informed



Attend an ICANN Public Meeting. Three times a year, ICANN holds free and open public meetings in different regions around the world. Visit meetings.icann.org to learn more.



Visit go.icann.org/journey to learn how you can attend an ICANN Public Meeting as part of the NextGen@ICANN or ICANN Fellowship programs.



Take a free online course at learn.icann.org.



Attend events in your region.



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Current Issues



**ICANN Strategic
Plan**



**Accountability and
Transparency**



New round of gTLDs



Multilingual Internet



**Privacy and Data
Protection**



**DNS Security
Threats**

Fellowship/NextGen/ Newcomer Programs

Our Programs



Fellowship

Global capacity-building program to support ICANN's multistakeholder community. Online application process is open three times per year to participate in an ICANN Public Meeting (one meeting for Alumni only).



NextGen

Regionally based program to create awareness and promote future discussions with universities and other regional forums. Online application process is open three times per year to attend an ICANN Public Meeting.



Newcomer

Program dedicated to those entering the ICANN community. Options are self-study using the Newcomer web page or participation in person or remotely at the Newcomer Sunday meeting at an ICANN Public Meeting.

Watch Fellowship and NextGen video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nrV_ZkDEfIQ



Watch Newcomer video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=da1RQt9-e-g>



Unique Qualities of Each Program



Fellowship

Opportunities to interact closely with ICANN community leaders. Alumni form connections that enable continuous post-meeting networking and support in their ICANN journeys.



NextGen

Orchestrated interaction with the ICANN community and organization to encourage future engagement. Participants create a 10-minute presentation to share at the meeting, demonstrating their expertise and ideas related to Internet governance.



Newcomer

Structured learning experience by participating in person or remotely in participation in an ICANN Public Meeting. Participants feel welcomed and ready to engage in ICANN activities going forward.

How Program Funding Works



Fellowship

Travel, accommodations, and stipend provided to cover some costs of attending an ICANN Public Meeting



NextGen

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Newcomer

No funding offered, but opens doors to communication and learning through engagement@icann.org and ICANN Learn

ICANN Public Meetings

Upcoming ICANN Meetings - meetings.icann.org

- ⦿ ICANN76 – **Community Forum**, 11 to 16 March 2023, **Cancun** (LAC)
- ⦿ ICANN77 – **Policy Forum***, 12 to 17 June 2023, **Washington D.C.** (NA)
- ⦿ ICANN78 – **25th AGM**, 21 to 26 October 2023, **Hamburg** (EUR)
- ⦿ ICANN79 – **Community Forum**, 2 to 7 March 2024, **San Juan** (NA)
- ⦿ Fellowship Program:
 - ICANN76 Application: CLOSED, Announcement: 7 November 2022
 - ICANN77 Application CLOSED, Announcement: 17 February 2023
 - ICANN78 Application Opens, **1 March 2023 at 23:59 UTC**
 - ICANN78 Application Closes: **31 March 2023 at 23:59 UTC**

* Only those who have successfully completed an ICANN Fellowship (Fellowship Alumni) are eligible to apply for a Policy Forum fellowship



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