# ICANN and YOU: A Stakeholder Journey

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# **Overview of Newcomer Programs**

 Diversity Programs: Bring in new friends and contribute to the evolution of the multistakeholder model

### Fellowship Program

NextGen@ICANN Program

- Launched in 2007 at ICANN29
- Foster opportunities for individuals to become active participants in the ICANN community.
- 21+ years old from underserved & underrepresented communities
- Launched in 2014 at ICANN49
- Invite the next generation to engage with ICANN
- 18-30 year old students from the region where the iCANN meeting takes place



### **Our Programs**



#### **Fellowship**

Global Capacity Development Program to support ICANN's Multistakeholder community; online application process is open three times per year to participate in an ICANN Public Meeting (Policy Forum Mtg for Alumni only)



#### **NextGen**

Regionally based Program to create awareness and promote future discussions within 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 Day/Newcomer Session 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





# How NextGen Differs From Fellowship

The Fellowship Program focuses on Global capacity development program to support diversity and active involvement in ICANN's multistakeholder community. Online application process is open three times per year. Candidates must be at least 21 years of age, no age cap to participate

The NextGen@ICANN program focuses on education, awareness and future engagement. Applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 30, live and be enrolled in some type of higher learning curriculum in the region where the ICANN Public Meeting is being held.



# **How Program Funding Works**



### **Fellowship**

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



#### NextGen

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



#### Newcomer

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



# **Overview of Newcomer Programs**

# Outreach and Promotion

- GSE team outreach
- Social media

### **Application**

Online application

#### Selection

Committee of SO/AC appointees

# Pre-Meeting Preparation

- Mentor appointed by SOs/ACs
- ICANN Learn courses
- Personalized plan for the Meeting

# On-site Responsibilities

- Participants attend sessions identified by mentor
- Fellows engage and network with the community

# Post-Meeting Requirements

- Post-meeting survey and report
- Continued engagement



# **Three Types of ICANN Public Meetings**

# Community Forum

- Six days
- ICANN community work
- ICANN Board meeting and Public Forum

### Policy Forum

- Four days
- ICANN community work
- Targeted outreach in host region

# Annual General Meeting

- Six days
- ICANN community work
- ICANN Board meeting and Public Forum



# Fellowship Program | At-a-glance

- Global capacity development program to support ICANN's multistakeholder community
- Online application process three times per year to participate in an ICANN Public Meeting (Policy Forum for alumni only)
- Up to 40 fellows are selected for each round; 5 mentors are appointed by SOs/ACs
- Important source for identifying potential active new community participants and in further honing the skills of returning program participants

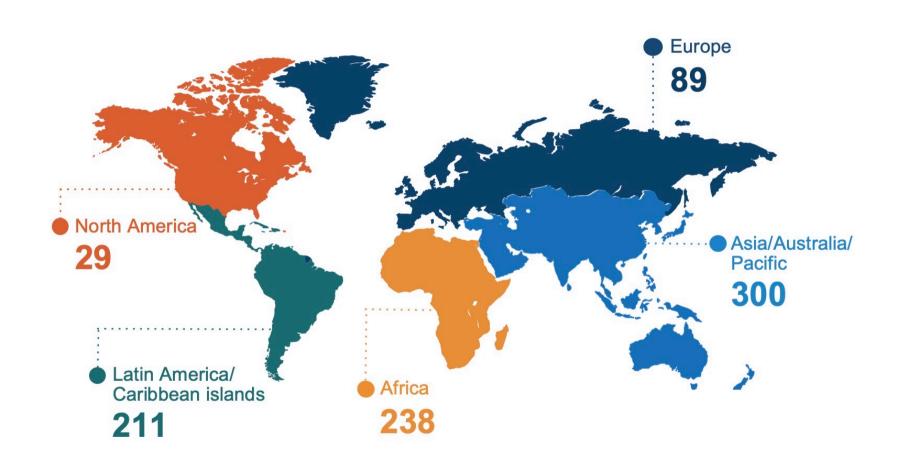






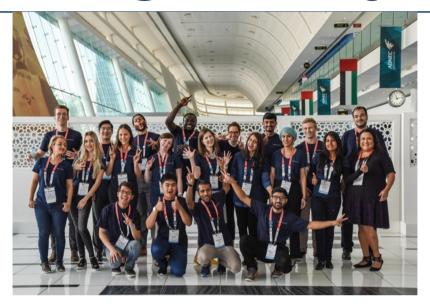
# Fellowship Program | Diversity

1,515 fellowships 867 fellows 161 countries represented





# NextGen@ICANN Program | At-a-glance

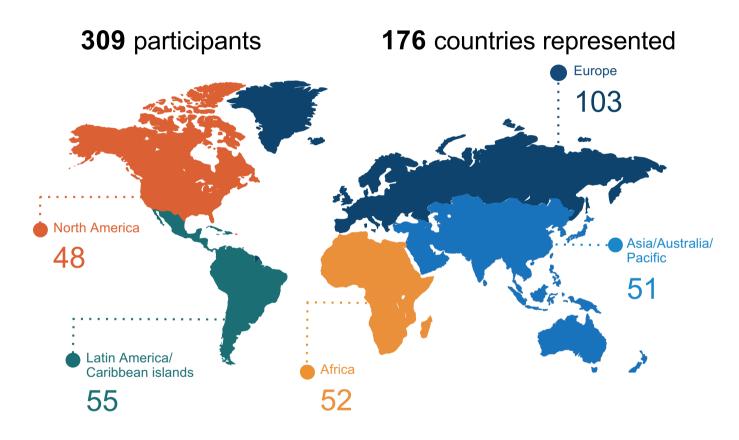




- Important source for identifying potential new community participants and for bringing new perspectives from universities across the world.
- Up to 12 slots per ICANN meeting to individuals who are living and studying within the region where the ICANN meeting is taking place.
- 3 Additional previous NextGen serve as Mentors
- Participants are encouraged to share ICANN information post meeting with their universities in conjunction with their GSE regional representatives.



# NextGen@ICANN Program | Diversity





### Resources for newcomers



Free online courses on ICANN Learn: https://learn.icann.org

- Learn about ICANN groups and processes
- Build skills to enhance participation
- Discuss concepts with fellow learners



ICANN org Regional Newsletters: <a href="https://info.icann.org/LP---Regional-Newsletter.html">https://info.icann.org/LP---Regional-Newsletter.html</a>



ICANN Social media



ICANN Meetings schedule: <a href="https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77">https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77</a>



Other useful webpages:

ICANN for Beginners webpage: <a href="https://www.icann.org/en/beginners">https://www.icann.org/en/beginners</a> ICANN Acronyms and Terms: <a href="https://www.icann.org/icann-acronyms-and-terms/en/nav/A">https://www.icann.org/en/beginners</a> and-terms/en/nav/A

ICANN Communities: <a href="https://www.icann.org/community">https://www.icann.org/community</a>
Policy Development Support: <a href="https://www.icann.org/policy">https://www.icann.org/policy</a>
Technical Functions: <a href="https://www.icann.org/technology">https://www.icann.org/technology</a>



# Regional opportunities for newcomers

- Regional DNS Forums annual events open for anyone to attend either inperson or remotely
- Schools on Internet Governance
- Capacity building programs/webinars/workshops on DNS Operations, DNSSEC, DNS Security Threats, Universal Acceptance, Policy Development, etc.
- Attendance of regional seminars/webinars such as ICANN Meetings Readout Sessions and Thematic Webinars



### **Learn More**

**Fellowship** 

icann.org/fellowshipprogram

NextGen

icann.org/public-responsibility-support/nextgen

**ICANN** for Beginners

https://www.icann.org/en/beginners





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