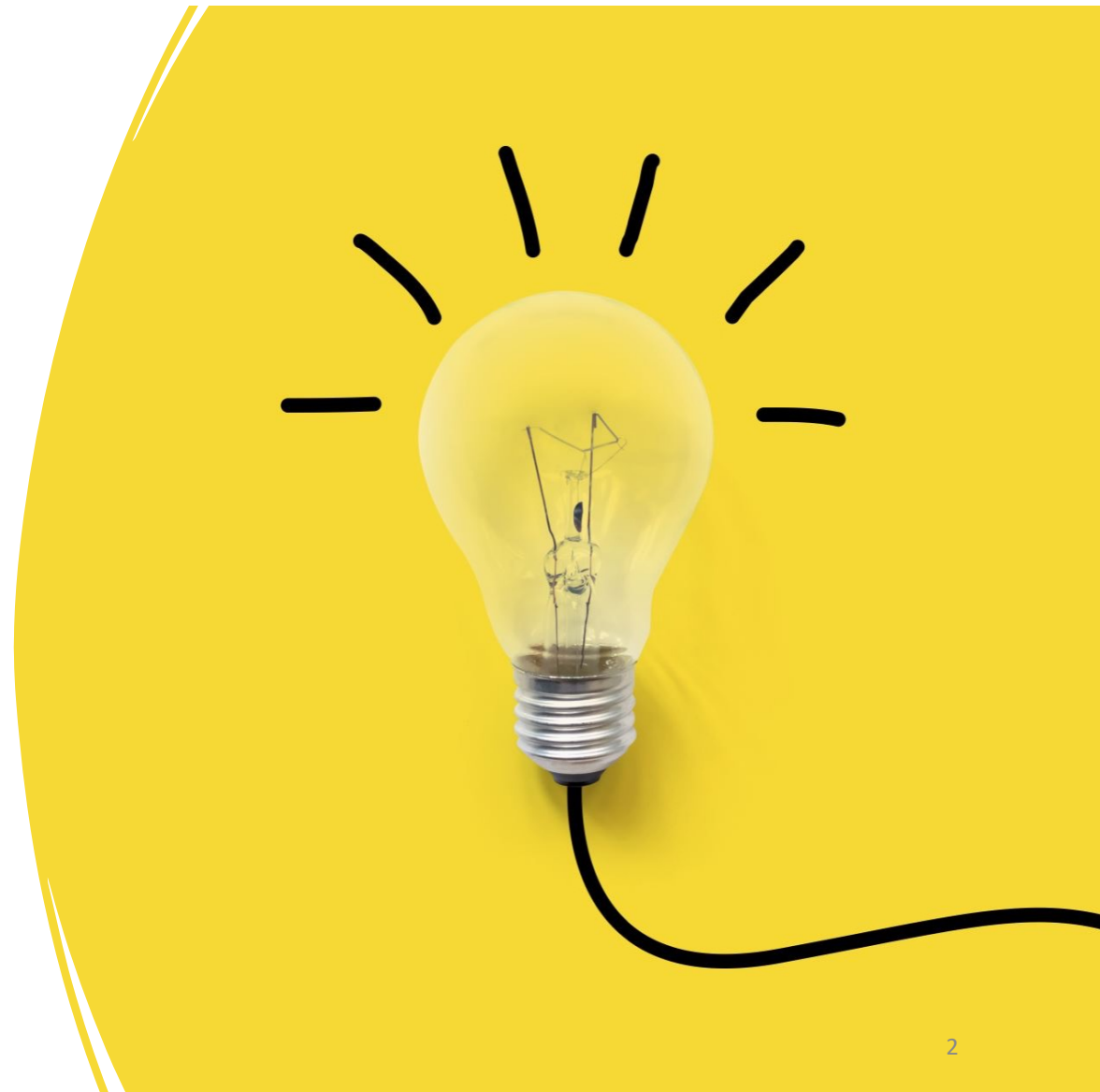# Tech predictions for ICANN

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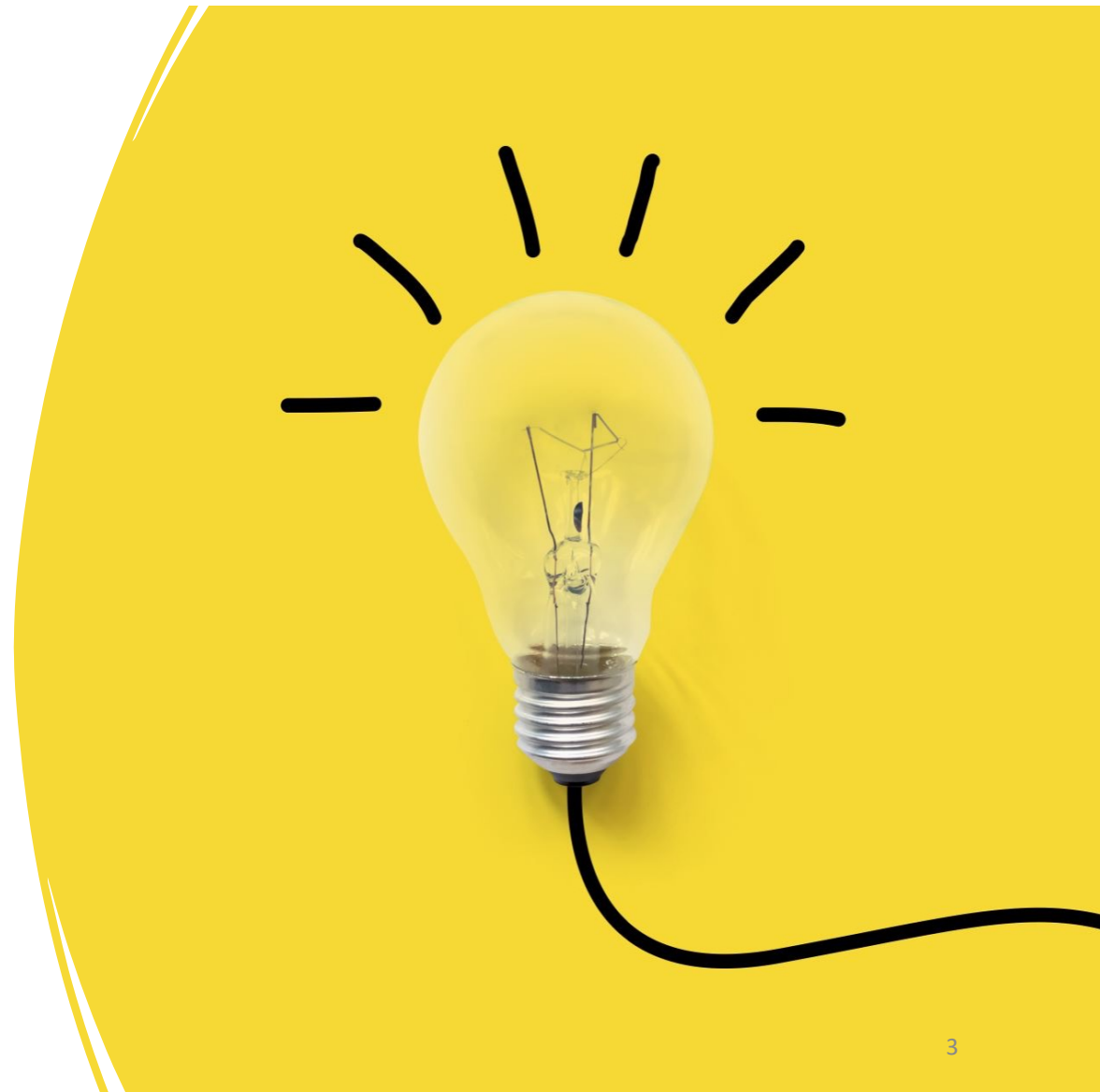
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Recent AI-based tools

- Dictation – speech to text
- Translation
- ChatGPT

Reddy's Wager: So, How Long Before Babel Fish Becomes A Reality?

A Babel fish* in the ear translates all languages

* <u>The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy</u>

Reddy's Wager: So, How Long Before Babel Fish Becomes A Reality?

"We will have a digital Babel fish that will hide in your ear and translate all the world's languages—in ten years."

- Published 7/2/2021 in [Endless Origins](#)

Discussion Facilitation

- 📄 Summarize
- ⬤ Compare
- 🤝 Identify Agreement
- ✓ Identify Disagreement
- 👥 Identify Ambiguity, Misunderstanding, Talking past each other, etc.
- ✏️ Summarize
- 👥 Challenge participants

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- Predict the future and prepare slides