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### ICANN68 Policy Forum to Be Held Virtually



The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) announced that its ICANN68 Policy Forum, which was to be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, will now be held via remote participation-only. This decision was made as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Session details, registration, and meeting dates are coming soon.

For more information regarding this decision, please see the Board resolution available **here**.

#### **ICANN News**

# ICANN Decides on .COM Amendment and Binding Letter of Intent between ICANN and Verisign

After ongoing feedback from the Internet community and in close consultation with the ICANN Board, ICANN org decided to execute the amendment of the .COM Registry Agreement and the binding Letter of Intent.

Read more about the decision in President & CEO Göran Marby's **blog**.



## ICANN Publishes EU Policy Update Paper



ICANN has published the first in a series of papers that will provide European Union (EU) policy updates and analysis on topics, initiatives, and proposed legislation of potential relevance to ICANN and its technical role in the Internet ecosystem.

Read it here.

### Call for Expressions of Interest

ICANN has opened a Call for Expressions of Interest for Panelists to serve on the omnibus Standing Panel for ICANN's Independent Review Process (IRP). The deadline to submit Expressions of Interest is 31 July 2020 at 23:59 UTC.

Click here to learn more.



## Addendum to EPDP Phase 2 Initial Report Published for Public Comment

The Expedited Policy Development Process on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Team (EPDP Team) published the Addendum to its Phase 2 Initial Report on 26 March 2020 for Public Comment. The Public Comment proceeding closes on Tuesday 5 May 2020.

Additionally, the EPDP Team is providing another opportunity for the ICANN community to submit input for the EPDP Phase 2 Initial Report via the Public Comment proceeding for the Addendum. **Learn more**.

## Comment Now on the Review of All RPMs in All gTLDs PDP Phase 1 Initial Report



On 18 March 2020, GNSO's Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All gTLDs Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group published its Phase 1 Initial Report for **Public Comment**.

The primary objective of this Initial Report is to solicit input on the working group's 26 preliminary recommendations, 17 specific questions for community input, and 24

proposals submitted by individual working group members that did not rise to the level of becoming preliminary recommendations.

In addition, the working group invites input for its six overarching charter questions that may help inform its overall work toward the Final Report. The Public Comment period is scheduled to close on 27 April 2020.

### Open Data Platform 1.0 Now Live

ICANN launched the first version of the Open

<u>Data Platform</u> as part of ICANN's goal to enhance the transparency and accessibility of the data ICANN holds. You can search, browse, view, download, and analyze available data.

**Register now** to access the available datasets, unique features, and explore the tools.



#### **ICANN67 News**

### By the Numbers & Survey Report



This report contains information about participation by ICANN67 session, location, and much more. It also includes results of the ICANN67 Survey, which focused on what worked best about our first virtual meeting and what areas can be improved. Click **here** to explore the report.

### Post-ICANN67 Policy Report

This Post-ICANN67 Policy Report captures decisions and outcomes from the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees. It also outlines additional activities and provides resources to enable sustained engagement on important issues.

Click **here** to access the full report.





#### GAC Communiqué

The ICANN Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) published the ICANN67 GAC Communiqué.

Click **here** to read the document.

## Chair's Blog: Recap of the March Remote Board Workshop

#### By Maarten Botterman, ICANN Chair

From 2-7 March 2020, the ICANN Board gathered online for its workshop to further its business and prepare to engage with the community during ICANN's 67th Public Meeting and first ever Virtual Community Forum.

Read Board Chair Maarten Botterman's full blog post **here**.





