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EDITORIAL

Three years ago, I started this adventure in the Internet governance ecosystem by participating in NETmundial. This event opened many doors for me. Through NETmundial, I met many community members from different organizations. I have followed their work and would like to collaborate with them in the future.

This month, our small digital rights organization was honored to host the 10th Preparatory Meeting for the Internet Governance Forum for Latin America and the Caribbean (LACIGF10). From August 2-4, Panama City and IPANDETEC hosted this event, which brought together the entire ecosystem of Latin America and the Caribbean with hundreds of participants from the region.

We thank the Program Committee for having the confidence in us to host this important event. The experience was both challenging and gratifying. The role of the Panamanian multistakeholder community has been somewhat passive on Internet issues in recent years. We hope that the LACIGF will demonstrate to all stakeholders the progress we've made so they will take a chance and support Central American civil society in its work for a more open, free, and universal Internet.

Lia Patricia Hernández
Executive Director, Instituto Panameño de Derecho y Nuevas Tecnologías (IPANDETEC)

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A "Key" Event in Protecting the DNS

On 11 June 2017, the ICANN organization moved one step closer to changing the cryptographic keys that protect the Domain Name System (DNS). That was the date when a new key appeared in the DNS for the first time since 2010.

The new key is part of the ongoing effort leading up to a changing or "rolling" of the key signing key (KSK) - scheduled to occur on 11 October 2017.

A global outreach effort is currently underway to ensure that network operators around the globe are ready for the change in October. ICANN has set up a **testing platform** so these operators can verify that their systems are good to go for the pending change.

Learn more about the KSK rollover at: **icann.org/kskroll**.

It's Time to Register for ICANN60!

For the first time, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE), will host an ICANN Public Meeting. The seven-day ICANN60 Annual General Meetingruns from 28 October to 3 November 2017. **Register now!**

Visit the **ICANN60 page** to find about travel (including visa requirements) and make hotel reservations. We'll post more information leading up to the meeting - be sure to bookmark the page and check back frequently.

Read the Post-ICANN59 Reports

ICANN59 Johannesburg concluded on 29 June 2017. We've just published three post-conference reports that give different views of the Policy Forum:

- **Post-ICANN59 Policy Forum Report** - Updates from the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees and highlights of the cross-community sessions
- **ICANN59 Community Feedback** - Results of the ICANN59 participant survey
- **ICANN59 By the Numbers** - Attendee profiles, session statistics, and other technical and statistical information

These reports are part of ICANN's commitment to transparency. The metrics and survey data help ICANN improve your meeting experience.

Introducing ICANN's Chief Data Protection Officer (CDPO)

John Jeffrey, General Counsel and Secretary, ICANN

Data protection and privacy laws and regulations are constantly evolving. One of the ICANN organization's top priorities continues to be data protection and privacy compliance and maintaining the security of personal data we collect in the course of our operations. As part of the ICANN organization's overall data protection and privacy governance framework, we are creating a new role: the Chief Data Protection Officer (CDPO).

We have asked **Daniel Halloran** to be ICANN's Chief Data Protection Officer. Dan will take on this role, in addition to his current responsibilities as Deputy General Counsel. Dan has been deeply involved in our efforts surrounding data privacy and protection, and he will be an excellent fit for this new role. Dan will continue to report to me in both roles.

Read more...

Coming Soon - New Accountability Indicators

Have you ever wondered how many events ICANN participates in by region and how many people we engage with? Or what is the state of ICANN's financials? Or how much is being spent on travel and meetings? What if you could find these answers and more in one central place on icann.org?

We'll soon be launching the new Accountability Indicators page, which will replace the KPI Dashboard. There, you'll have visibility into progress against ICANN's strategic and operating plans through through easy-to-read charts and detailed data. You'll now be able to drill down to view underlying data. This is one more way the ICANN organization is showing its commitment to accountability.

The page is scheduled to launch in the next few weeks - watch for the announcement!

Empowered Community - ICANN Budget and Operating Plans in Effect

On 17 July 2017, the ICANN Empowered Community confirmed that it was not rejecting any of the following documents previously approved by the ICANN Board on 24 June 2017:

- ICANN's FY2018 Budget and Operating Plan
- IANA's Budget for FY2018
- ICANN's Five-Year Operating Plan

The confirmation followed the expiration of the 21-day period for the Empowered Community to raise a petition against any of these documents. Read more about these and other Empowered Community actions **here**.

Data Protection, Privacy Issues, and the GDPR

Data privacy and data protection regulations are evolving. These include the European Union's **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**, which will affect the ICANN organization in at least two areas:

- Personal data that participants in the domain name ecosystem collect, display, and process, including registries and registrars (pursuant to ICANN contracts)
- Personal data that ICANN collects and processes for internal or external services

In the past few months, we've had several discussions with the multistakeholder community about this topic. Learn more about recent activities on the newly launched **Data Protection/Privacy Issues page**.

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LAC ACTIVITIES & HIGHLIGHTS

Rodrigo de la Parra, ICANN's VP for Latin America and the Caribbean, speaks at the "ICANN Updates" session at CANTO 2017.

33rd Annual Conference and Trade Exhibition (CANTO 2017)

Albert Daniels, Stakeholder Engagement Senior Manager for the Caribbean, ICANN

CANTO 2017 was held in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, from 16 to 19 July. This year's conference boasted the best attendance yet with 44 regulators, 12 government ministers, and 1 prime minister. ICANN's Rodrigo de la Parra stressed the importance of network operators and Internet service providers keeping up to date with the requirements of the upcoming change to the Domain Name Security Extensions (DNSSEC) key signing key (KSK) - also called the **KSK rollover**.

Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) representatives for St. Kitts and Nevis, Trinidad and Tobago, and Grenada attended the meeting. ICANN explored strategies for deepening the participation of Caribbean governments in the GAC with Minister Darcy Boyce of Barbados, the current chair of the Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU).

ICANN also met with CANTO Board members - Chair Julian Wilkins and Secretary General Teresa Wankin - to find ways CANTO and ICANN could work more closely together.

Internet Society Paraguay Certified as an At-Large Structure

On 25 July, ICANN's At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) announced that the Internet Society (ISOC) Paraguay chapter has been certified as an At-Large Structure (ALS). ALAC is pleased to see the ISOC chapter's interest in involving individual users in the Latin American and Caribbean Islands Regional At-Large Organization (LACRALO) and ICANN. Going forward, ALAC is eager to promote a productive working relationship among ISOC Paraguay, other ALSes, ALAC, and ICANN in general.

Learn about At-Large.

ICANN Board and Executive Representation in Regional Events

Lito Ibarra
ICANN Board Director

IGF Guatemala, 27 July, Guatemala City, Guatemala
Keynote speaker on the topic of the Internet ecosystem

Fabricating Society (FAB13), 31 July - 6 August, Santiago, Chile
Member of panel entitled "Enabling Ecosystem"

Rodrigo de la Parra
VP, Stakeholder Engagement, Latin America and the Caribbean

CANTO 2017, 16-19 July, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic
See previous story.

LACIGF10, 2-4 August, Panama City, Panama
Representative for ICANN, one of the regional technical Internet organizations on the Program Committee

eLAC2018, 7-9 August in Santiago, Chile
Participant in the preparatory meeting for the VI Ministerial Conference on the Information Society in Latin America and the Caribbean

Launching of First Diploma in Internet Governance

On 7 August, San Andrés University in Argentina kicked off a Diploma in Internet Governance (DiGI) program. The inaugural participants are from Argentina, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela. Well-known teachers came from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Germany, and the United States. CABASE, the Argentinian Internet organization, is a program partner. Rodrigo de la Parra, our regional VP, is part of the CABASE Advisory Committee. **Learn more about DiGI**.

🔔 LAC STRATEGIC PLAN NEWS

As part of the LAC Strategy, the third capacity-building webinar entitled "Country and Territory Names as Top-Level Domains (TLDs)" was held on 17 July for community members from LACRALO. The invited speaker from ICANN was Steve Chan, Policy Director, Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) support.

Adobe Connect video/audio (Spanish) | **Audio (English)** | **Audio (Portuguese)**

Decisional Participants Approve Fundamental Bylaw Amendment

Exercising their power as Decisional Participants of the Empowered Community (EC), the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC), Address Supporting Organization (ASO), Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC), and Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) approved an amendment to an ICANN Fundamental Bylaw. On 18 May 2017, the ICANN Board **approved** an amendment to Section 4.2 to transfer responsibility for reconsideration requests to a new ICANN Board committee. This triggered the Empowered Community Approval Action Process, including the subsequent convening of the first **Community Forum** at ICANN59. During the Community Forum, the five Decisional Participants discussed the proposed Fundamental Bylaw amendment. Following the Community Forum, each Decisional Participant had 21 days to decide whether to support, object to, or abstain from the matter.

GNSO Confirms James Bladel as Representative to the Empowered Community Administration

The GNSO Council **confirmed** James Bladel, GNSO Chair, to represent the GNSO as a Decisional Participant on the Empowered Community Administration until the end of his term at ICANN60. Since October 2016, Bladel has served as the interim representative. The GNSO Council asked the GNSO Standing Selection Committee to develop the criteria and process for selecting the permanent GNSO representative. The GNSO Council adopted the proposed criteria and process during its meeting on 28 June 2017. The process stipulates that the GNSO Council leadership team will select one of its members (chair, vice chairs) to serve as the representative. The GNSO Council confirmed the decision during its meeting on 13 July 2017.

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ccNSO Council Adopts CWG-UCTN Final Paper

One week before ICANN59, the Cross-Community Working Group on the Use of Country and Territory Names as Top-Level Domains (CWG-UCTN) submitted its **final paper** to the ccNSO and GNSO Councils for deliberation and decision-making. ccNSO members also discussed the recommendations of the CWG-UCTN during the **ccNSO members meeting**.

At its **20 July meeting**, the ccNSO Council adopted the CWG-UCTN final paper (read the **executive summary**)and supported the following recommendations:

- The chartering organizations (ccNSO and GNSO) should close the CWG-UCTN in accordance with and as foreseen in the charter.
- The ICANN community should consolidate all policy efforts relating to geographic names to enable in-depth analyses and discussions on all aspects related to all geographic-related names.
- Future policy development work must facilitate an all-inclusive dialogue to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate.

With respect to the format for the upcoming work, the ccNSO Council decided to first consult its appointed members on the CWG before making any decisions.

At-Large Community Enters Next Phase of the Organizational Review Process

The At-Large community started developing a feasibility assessment and implementation plan in response to the **review recommendations** proposed by ITEMS, the independent examiner conducting the review. At-Large aims to submit this plan to the ICANN Board Organization Effectiveness Committee in late August, prior to ICANN Board action on the ITEMS recommendations. With significant input from across the community, including the ALAC, Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs), and At-Large Structures, the **ALAC Statement on the At-Large Review Draft Report** has laid the groundwork for analyzing the ITEMS

recommendations.

To facilitate this phase of work, a **workspace** and a **Google document** have been developed with pre-populated content drawn from the previous ALAC statement. The community will focus on refining the content, giving input, proposing implementation steps for each recommendation, and creating a list of priorities. In addition, the community will review and consider if the **RALO Statement on the At-Large Review Draft Report** should be incorporated into this document.

GAC Looks Ahead to ICANN60

Since ICANN59, the GAC leadership has focused on follow-up items such as the cross-community discussion on "Who Sets ICANN's Priorities?" The GAC also provided input to the General Data Protection Regulation Compliance Consultation Group. The GAC plans to meet with the ICANN Board in mid-August to discuss the **ICANN59 GAC Communiqué**.

Several nominations have been received for the next round of GAC leadership elections, which will conclude during ICANN60. The nomination period closes on 13September 2017.

The GAC is also preparing for ICANN60 with a particular focus on cross-community work. With guidance from the GAC Public Safety Working Group, the GAC submitted several topics for potential cross-community sessions, including DNS Abuse Mitigation.
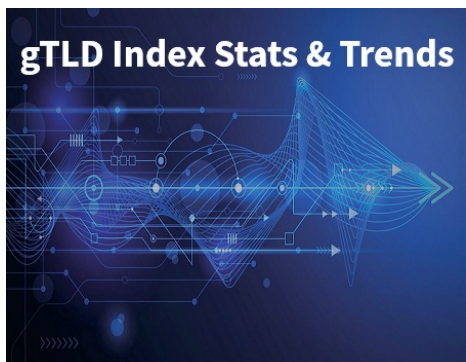

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🔔 **GDD UPDATE**

WHOIS Data Gets High Marks for Accuracy in Syntax and Operability

The WHOIS Accuracy Reporting System (ARS) **June 2017 report** is now available. Key findings show that 98.6 percent of WHOIS records contain information that can be used to establish immediate contact through an email or phone number that meets all operability requirements of the 2009 Registrar Accreditation Agreement.

WHOIS Data at 98.6%

Just Published in July 2017: Updated gTLD Marketplace Health Index

The gTLD Marketplace Health Index (Beta), first published in July 2016, presents statistics and trends related to generic top-level domains (gTLDs). A community **advisory panel** is working with ICANN to refine the Index in preparation for publishing version 1.0. **View the Health Index**.

gTLD Index Stats & Trends

Domain Name Registrants - How We Are Increasing Knowledge and Awareness

Domain name registrants are entities or individuals that have acquired the right to use a domain name for a period of time via an agreement with a registrar or reseller.Registrants are integral to the Domain Name System (DNS). Learn more about what the ICANN organization is doing to help increase registrant knowledge - read the **recent blog** or visit the **Information for Domain Name Registrants page**.

DELEGATED NEW GTLDS

Seven New gTLDs and Eight ccTLDs Were Delegated in June and July 2017

See the full list here.

WHAT'S NEW IN REVIEWS

Participate in ICANN Reviews

Reviews are mandated by ICANN's Bylaws to evaluate the performance of the ICANN organization, its Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs).

What's Happening?

- The Competition, Consumer Trust, and Consumer Choice Review Team (**CCTRT**) will publish new report sections (DNS Abuse, INTA Survey) for public comment in September and send its Final Report to the ICANN Board before ICANN60. **Learn more**.
- The second Security, Stability, and Resiliency of the DNS (**SSR2**) Review Team has been briefed on the implementation of review recommendations from **SSR1**. The team has also finalized the five broad topic areas that it will examine. **Learn more**.
- During its September meeting, the ICANN Board will consider the request to delay the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) Review to August 2018.

Want to get involved with ICANN Specific Reviews? Become a Review Observer - find out how: **CCTRT**, **SSR2**, **ATRT3**, **RDS/WHOIS2**.

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Nivaldo Cleto, Brazil

Cleto is the former president of the Board of Trade in the State of São Paulo. He serves on the Steering Committee of ICP-Brazil, a virtual entity involved in safely and unambiguously identifying authors of electronic messages or transactions. At CGI.br, the Brazilian Internet Steering Committee, he worked on the Brazilian Civil Rights Framework for the Internet, the world's first approved civil rights framework.

Cleto is an evangelist of new technologies and procedures in Brazil. Since 2012, Cleto has covered the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

He has been involved in ICANN's Business Constituency since 2015.

UPCOMING EVENTS

14-16 August	**ITU regional workshop on "Strengthening capacities in international Internet governance"**	Brasilia, Brazil
29-31 August	**First Argentinian Internet Governance School (ARGENSIG)**	Buenos Aires, Argentina
18-19 September	**VI Seminario de Privacidade CGI.br, São Paulo, Brazil**	São Paulo, Brazil
18-22 September	**LACNIC 28-LACNOG 2017**	Montevideo, Uruguay

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