Catch Up on ICANN69

Missed ICANN69? Find all session recordings, transcripts, and other helpful content on the ICANN69 website.

Click here.

Read the ICANN69 GAC Communiqué

The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) advises the ICANN Board on public policy issues, particularly in areas where ICANN policies intersect with national laws and international agreements.

Click here to read the ICANN69 Communiqué as well as access past GAC advice.

ICANN69 Highlights and Priorities from ICANN Board Chair Maarten Botterman

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Maarten Botterman
ICANN Board Chair

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This blog recaps highlights from ICANN69 and outlines priorities including: Domain Name System abuse, the proposed Operational Design Phase for the policy recommendations in the Expedited Policy Development Process Phase 2 Report, the evolution of the multistakeholder model, and improvements to ICANN Public Meetings.

Click here to read more.

Meet the First Recipient of the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building

Ramanou Biaou was honored at ICANN69 with the Dr. Tarek Kamel Award for Capacity Building.

Biaou has developed local capacity-building programs in his home country of Benin as well as regional programs across Africa. In particular, he has worked to improve the technical skills of women in Africa and encouraged equal participation in the Domain Name System (DNS) ecosystem.
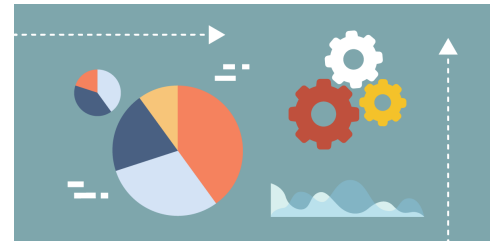
Learn more and watch an interview with Biaou here.

ICANN and PTI Publish FY20 Financial Statements

ICANN and PTI have published audited financial statements from the fiscal year ending 30 June 2020.

In support of a continued commitment to accountability and transparency, these and other financial documents are posted to the **ICANN Current Year Financial Reports** page and the **Financial Information for Public Technical Identifiers (PTI)** page.

Learn more about these reports and access links here.

Read the ICANN FY20 Annual Report

The ICANN Board published its FY20 Annual Report for the fiscal year ending 30 June 2020. This report documents Board, community, and org activities for the year, and our progress on ICANN's objectives from the FY16-20 Strategic Plan.

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Explore the Annual Report here.

ICANN at the Internet Governance Forum (IGF)

Members of the ICANN community, Board, and organization participated in the Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Internet Governance Forum from 2-16 November.

Hosted online by the United Nations, the theme for the meeting was "Internet for human resilience and solidarity."

You'll find more detail about the sessions ICANN hosted in **this blog** from Mandy Carver, Senior Vice President of Governmental and Intergovernmental Engagement.

ICANN Responds to EDPB Consultation

ICANN has responded to the public consultation from the European Data Protection Board (EDPB) on its **Guidelines 07/2020 on the concepts of controller and processor in the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**. This issue has been critical to the work of the Expedited Policy Development Process on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data (EPDP).

Read ICANN's full response here.

Enhancing the Effectiveness of ICANN's Multistakeholder Model Moves into Implementation

Last year, the ICANN Board initiated a project aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model. This effort is critical to ensuring the multistakeholder model is able to evolve. After gathering community input, this project has now moved to the implementation planning phase.

Read ICANN Board Chair Maarten Botterman's update here.

ICANN Board Approves Two-Year Extension of President and CEO's Term

The ICANN Board extended ICANN President and CEO Göran Marby's Executive Services Agreement for two years, expiring 23 May 2024.

Read more here.

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New from OCTO: Technical Analysis of New IP

The Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) has published a technical analysis of New IP, a concept that emerged recently in the context of technology battles, competition among standard bodies, and international geopolitics.

The document considers the New IP's relationship to Network 2030, a focus group created in 2018 by the International Telecommunication Union. The publication also analyzes existing informal documentation to understand the concepts behind New IP, compatibility with the current Internet

Protocols (IPv4, IPv6), and the potential challenges of its deployment.

The full publication is available in English and the executive summary and conclusion are available in all U.N. languages on the **OCTO Publication webpage**.

GDS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The State of UA Readiness in 2020

Wondering what the current state of Universal Acceptance (UA) readiness is in 2020? Look no further than the **Universal Acceptance Readiness Report FY20**, recently published by the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG). The detailed report captures a summary of scope of UA, documents the current gaps in technology related to UA readiness to-date, and provides an overview of activities undertaken by the UASG in FY20 (July 2019 – June 2020).

The UASG also presented its findings and provided community updates in three UA sessions at ICANN69. You can view the recordings here:
- **Outreach for Addressing Universal Acceptance**
- **Remediating Universal Acceptance Issues**
- **Community Update on Universal Acceptance Readiness**

Stay informed on everything UA by following the UASG on **Twitter**, **Facebook**, and **LinkedIn**.

ICANN69 Domain Name Industry Session Recap

In case you missed it, the ICANN contracted parties (registries and registrars) provided an overview of the domain name industry highlighting the evolution of top-level domains, as well as the formation and overview of registries and registrars and the services they provide.

Session highlights included clarification of diverse business models, explanation of services provided by contracted parties, and the market's geographic diversity showing gaps where regions might be underserved, and growth can occur.

Download the presentation and view the recorded session **here**.

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment Opportunities

Public Comment is a key part of the policy development process at ICANN. The following Public Comment proceedings are open.

Click the links below to learn more.

Recommendations for Early Warning for Root Zone Scaling (Closes 23 November)

Draft PTI and IANA FY22 Operating Plan and Budgets (Closes 30 November)

IN MEMORY

With Sympathies: Marilyn Cade

The ICANN community mourns the passing of Marilyn Cade, a strong and dedicated advocate for the global Internet.

Please read this **[memorial](#)** from David Olive, Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support.

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