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Registration is Open for ICANN66

ICANN66 in Montréal, Canada will be held 2-8 November 2019. The focus at this Annual General Meeting will be dedicated to showcasing ICANN's work to a broader audience, as well as training and capacity building among the community. New members of the Board of Directors will take their seats, and the ICANN community will welcome a new Board Chair.

Registration is now open here.

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Kurt Pritz Receives Ethos Award

The 2019 Multistakeholder Ethos Award was awarded to Kurt Pritz at ICANN65 in recognition of his many years of service to the ICANN community.

The selection panel congratulated Pritz for being able to achieve consensus working among groups with disparate views and priorities. Pritz recently chaired the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data.

The Multistakeholder Ethos Award honors members of the ICANN community who have made outstanding contributions to ICANN's multistakeholder model of Internet governance, demonstrating the spirit of collaboration, and strongly promoting consensus.

Kurt Pritz accepts the 2019 Multistakeholder Ethos Award at ICANN65.

Read the announcement with the full story here.

You can watch all the videos from the award ceremony on ICANN's YouTube channel.

EPDP at ICANN65: Progress and Next Steps

The Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data Team met for a total of 13 hours in Marrakech. The EPDP Team discussed the format of a template and questions to detail possible use cases for requestors of nonpublic gTLD registration data. The

Team agreed on the template and discussed the use case of an individual or entity requesting nonpublic registration data for the purpose of taking legal action against trademark infringement. A group of volunteers agreed to produce additional use cases, which will help the team better understand real life needs and related requirements as they develop policy principles and recommendations. Small groups will review the additional use cases in the coming weeks, and the group is aiming to develop a first draft of potential policy options or text for further discussion during the EPDP Team's next face-to-face meeting, in Los Angeles from 9-11 September 2019.

The EPDP Team also met with ICANN org to discuss the org's future engagement with European Data Protection Board (EDPB) based on the work of the Technical Study Group (TSG). They also reviewed the new format and first iteration of the Phase 2 project plan and timeline.

UASG Outreach at ICANN65

Members of the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) delivered an important message during ICANN65 in Marrakech, Morocco: all stakeholders need to play a role in achieving the Universal Acceptance (UA) of domain names and email addresses. This will help ensure the Internet's unique identifier systems continue to serve a broader and more diverse global user base. If you want to help with a solution, please complete the UASG Working Group Membership Form **here**. To learn more, please visit **www.uasg.tech**.

ICANN65 GAC Communiqué is now available.
Click here to view.

GAC Communiqué

Read the Marrakech Communiqué from the Governmental Advisory Committee **here**.

Catch up on all the highlights from ICANN65

If you weren't able to make it to Marrakech, or missed a session while there, the **ICANN65 meeting site** is a valuable resource. You can access transcripts, watch video recordings, listen to audio recordings, and more.

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The 7TH Africa DNS Forum in Botswana

The seventh Africa Domain Name System (DNS) Forum will be held on 22-24 July 2019, in Gaborone, Botswana. The Forum is organized by ICANN, the Africa Top-Level Domains Organization (AfTLD), and the Association of ICANN-Accredited Registrars in Africa (AfRegistrar). Hosted by the Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority (BOCRA), it will be held under the theme "Building Trust in the African DNS Industry for a Thriving Digital Economy".

This year's Forum follows on the success of the preceding events held most recently in Marrakech, Morocco (2016); Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (2017); and Cotonou, Benin (2018). **You can register here and visit www.dnsforum.africa for more information.**

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