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EDITORIAL

Panama is in the news, not only because of our beaches, the Panama Canal, or our first participation in the World Cup. Later this month, one of the biggest global Internet events comes to Panama. The ICANN62 Policy Forum comes after two important events also held in Panama City: the regional preparatory meeting for the Internet Governance Forum (LACIGF 10) and the annual meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Internet Addresses Registry (LACNIC 29). These activities are positioning our country as a significant meeting place for the multistakeholder Internet community.

Just before ICANN62, on 21 and 22 June, we will meet with leaders in the Central American and Panamanian Internet ecosystem at the 2018 edition of the Mexico/Central America LAC-i-Roadshow, a project of the [Latin America and the Caribbean Strategy](#). The LAC-i-Roadshow travels across the region to do outreach on key topics related to the critical infrastructure of the Domain Name System (DNS).



Lia Patricia Hernández, cofounder and Executive Director of IPANDETEC, a digital rights organization based in Panama City

On behalf of IPANDETEC and the IGF Panama, we want to seize this opportunity to cordially invite anyone interested to attend this free and open two-day event. We think it will be a great introduction to ICANN, which in turn will contribute to a more meaningful participation in ICANN62. Please register [here](#).



SPOTLIGHT



A Special Invitation to Attend ICANN62

Rodrigo de la Parra, ICANN's VP of Stakeholder Engagement for Latin America and the Caribbean, invites you to Panama City for the upcoming ICANN62 Policy Forum, to be held from 25-28 June. The focus of ICANN62 will be to strengthen the policy work in ICANN. He hopes to see you there!

[Click here to watch the video.](#)



ICANN NEWS

Get Ready for ICANN62

Panama City, Panama, 25-28 June 2018



Resources to Help Prepare for ICANN62

ICANN62 is just two weeks away. It's time to start planning your meeting experience. We're offering several resources to get you started.

- [ICANN62 website](#)
- [ICANN62 schedule](#)
- [Pre-ICANN62 Policy Report](#)
- [GNSO Policy Report: ICANN62 Edition](#)

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We look forward to seeing you in Panama City!

ICANN62 PANAMA CITY



Register for the Pre-ICANN62 Policy Webinar, 12 June

Join ICANN's Policy Development Support Team at one of the two Pre-ICANN62 Policy Webinar sessions:

Tuesday, 12 June 2018
10:00 and 19:00 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
[Register here](#) by 11 June!

We invite you to submit your questions in advance through the registration form or by email to policyinfo@icann.org. To prepare for this webinar and for ICANN62, download and review the [Pre-ICANN62 Policy Report](#).

For details, see the [meeting announcement](#).

Register for the Pre-ICANN62 GNSO Webinar, 18 June

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Development Support Team is holding a Pre-ICANN62 GNSO Policy Webinar:

Monday, 18 June
21:00 - 22:30 UTC
[Register here](#).

This webinar aims to prepare ICANN62 participants for engaging in policy development activities. Leaders of major GNSO policy development process working groups will give in-depth reviews of their topics, current issues being discussed, and what to expect at ICANN62. To prepare for the webinar, review the GNSO Policy Briefing: ICANN62 Edition.

For details, see the [meeting announcement](#).

News and Updates on Data Protection/Privacy and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

On 17 May, the ICANN Board voted unanimously to adopt the [Temporary Specification for Generic Top-Level Domain \(gTLD\) Registration Data](#). Read the ICANN [announcement](#) and the latest [blog post](#) from Cherine Chalaby, Chair, ICANN Board.

Stay up to date with the latest ICANN organization [data protection and privacy news](#).



ICANN and PTI Publish U.S. Tax Returns for FY17

On 15 May, ICANN and Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) published their U.S. tax returns (Form 990) for the fiscal year ending 30 June 2017. This is the first time that the recently created PTI has been required to file Form 990. View [ICANN's tax return](#) and [PTI's tax return](#).

[Read the announcement.](#)



The Information Transparency Initiative (ITI): Making Improvements by Building Strong Foundations

David Conrad, Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer (CTO), ICANN

The ICANN org launched improvements to the [existing Acronyms and Terms feature](#) on <https://icann.org>. These changes are a part of ITI's commitment to increase the findability of our public content. Some of the enhancements include:

- Multilingual search via acronym, term, or Unicode character.
- Over 200 additional acronyms, definitions, and terms.
- Social and email sharing functionality.
- Links to related terms and relevant web content.

[Read the full blog.](#)

ICANN Adobe Connect Services Restored

Effective 1 June, ICANN Adobe Connect collaboration services were restored. This decision was made following extensive independent and joint forensics investigations by the ICANN organization, CoSo Cloud LLC (our Adobe Connect cloud service provider), and Adobe Systems Incorporated to determine the cause and subsequent resolution to the reported security issue.

Read the recent [blog post](#) by Ashwin Rangan, ICANN's Senior VP of Engineering and Chief Information Officer.



LAC ACTIVITIES & HIGHLIGHTS

ICANN Participates in LACNIC 29 and Prepares for ICANN62 in Panama

LACNIC 29 was held from 30 April to 4 May in Panama City, Panama. The successful event welcomed 800 participants from around the world. ICANN had a booth where our regional staff shared relevant material on ICANN's global and regional activities. At the booth, we informed participants about our upcoming Policy Forum to be held in Panama City from 25-28 June at the same venue.



ICANN booth at LACNIC29

In addition, Rodrigo de la Parra gave eight interviews to local media outlets (TV, radio, and newspaper) to invite people to participate in ICANN62. Watch his [interview with Eco TV](#) (Spanish only).



Rodrigo de la Parra, ICANN's VP, GSE Latin America and the Caribbean, during an interview in Panama City

Internet Day Celebrations in the Region

Rodrigo de la Parra, our regional vice president, spoke at two Internet Day celebrations. He visited El Salvador, on the invitation of Lito Ibarra, ICANN Board Member, and Peru, where the event was organized by Maritza Aguero of the Latin American and Caribbean Islands Regional At-Large Organization (LACRALO). Click the links below to read more about these events (Spanish only).

[Día de Internet 2018 - El Salvador](#) | [Día Mundial de las Telecomunicaciones y de la Sociedad de la Información - Perú](#)

Preparing Internet Service Providers for the KSK Rollover

We were happy to partner with NIC.br to share information about the root zone key signing key rollover (KSK Rollover) at the different editions of the IX (PTT) Regional Forum. The forum is the main meeting point for Autonomous System Operators connected to the multiple Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) installed by NIC.br all over Brazil. During the first meeting of the year, held on 17 May in São Paulo, we had great discussions, organized hands-on testing, and made many new friends. We thank NIC.br for this opportunity. Check the [agenda for upcoming events](#).

If your organization operates DNS recursive servers or your Internet service provider (ISP) offers DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC), make sure they are ready for the KSK Rollover. Your regional engagement team is here to help! For additional information and guidance, email daniel.fink@icann.org.

ICANN at the 14th Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (CIGF)

The CIGF is a regional, multistakeholder forum initiated in 2005 by the Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU) and the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat in coordinate a regional approach to Internet governance. Albert Daniels, ICANN's Stakeholder Engagement Senior Manager for the Caribbean, participated in its 14th edition, held in Suriname from 21-23 May. Albert focused on explaining ICANN's multistakeholder model for policy development.



POLICY UPDATE

GNSO Council Update

- The GNSO Council has approved the appointment of Brian Beckham as an additional co-chair for the Review

- The GNSO Council adopted the revised charter of the GNSO Standing Selection Committee, marking its permanent establishment in the GNSO. Susan Kawaguchi and Maxim Alzoba were reconfirmed as chair and vice chair, respectively.

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GAC Updates

The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) chair welcomed the country of Ecuador as a committee member. The GAC now comprises 177 member countries and territories and 36 observer organizations.

Recently, the GAC has conducted meetings and exchanged [correspondence](#) with the ICANN Board on many timely topics, including:

- Implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) enacted by the European Union.
- ICANN consideration of the .persiangulf new generic top-level domain.
- Clarification of protections of intergovernmental organization names and acronyms at the second-level.

At ICANN62, the GAC will:

- Conclude its one-year capacity-building workshop pilot with a full-day workshop on Sunday, 24 June. For more information, contact gac-staff@icann.org.
- Focus considerable session time to GDPR implementation matters - meeting internally and exploring issues with the ICANN Board and the GNSO Council.
- Finalize arrangements for the High-Level Governmental Meeting scheduled for 22 October 2018 during ICANN63.

[View the GAC ICANN62 agenda.](#)



GDD UPDATE

Universal Acceptance Steering Group Announces First Ambassadors

In April, the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) appointed seven industry leaders as Universal Acceptance (UA) ambassadors. These ambassadors will help create awareness of Universal Acceptance and Email Address Internationalization among software developers, systems architects, and senior IT executives.

[Meet the ambassadors.](#)



Final Proposed Draft of Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) Implementation Guidelines Released

On 10 May, the ICANN org released the [final proposed draft](#) of the Guidelines for the Implementation of Internationalized Domain Names Version 4. The document provides guidelines on IDN registration policies and practices designed to minimize the risk of cybersquatting and consumer confusion. This draft is currently pending ratification from the ICANN Board of Directors.

ICANN Announces DENIC eG as a New ICANN-Designated Agent to Support Registrar Data Escrow Services

On 15 May, the ICANN organization entered into an agreement with DENIC eG, the German-based nonprofit operator of the country code top-level domain .de, as an ICANN-designated agent to support Registrar Data Escrow (RDE) services on its behalf. The RDE program is intended to protect registrants in the event of registrar failure or termination of a Registrar Accreditation Agreement.

[Read the full announcement.](#)



WHAT'S NEW IN REVIEWS

Calls to Action for Community Participation in ICANN Reviews



Comment on Short-Term Options to Adjust the Timeline for Specific Reviews

This [Public Comment proceeding](#) invites feedback on whether and how to adjust the timeline for two Specific Reviews to alleviate existing strains on volunteer and ICANN resources. Close date: 6 July 2018 at 23:59 UTC.

Comment on Long-Term Options to Adjust Review Timelines

The timing of Specific and Organizational Reviews mandated by the Bylaws has resulted in multiple reviews occurring at the same time. This [Public Comment proceeding](#) invites feedback on proposed options to provide more reasonable scheduling across ICANN reviews. Close date: 20 July 2018 at 23:59 UTC.

GNSO2 Implementation Semi-Annual Update

[Track the progress](#) of the implementation of recommendations from the second Review of the General Names Supporting Organization (GNSO2).



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR ICANN COMMUNITY



Paulo Milliet Roque (Brazil)

Paulo Milliet Roque is Vice President of the Brazilian Software Association (ABES), with solid experience in international negotiation with technology companies. He is responsible for agreements with more than 100 companies in several countries (US, UK, Ireland, France, Chinese Taipei, China, and others). An entrepreneur, he was a founding partner of several companies, including BraSoft and Brasoftware.

In ICANN, he is involved in the Business Constituency. Roque and his association ABES are trailblazers in Universal Acceptance efforts in Brazil. Read an article he wrote on this topic with [Don Hollander](#) just after ICANN61, available [here](#) in Portuguese.



UPCOMING EVENTS

13-14 June

[CarPIF 2018](#)

Belize City, Belize

22 June

[2018 Mexico/Central America LAC-i-Roadshow](#)

Panama City, Panama

21-23 June	<u>LACTLD Legal and Policies Workshop and General Assembly</u>	Panama City, Panama
25-28 June	<u>ICANN62</u>	Panama City, Panama
29 June	<u>IX Regional Forum Belo Horizonte</u>	Belo Horizonte, Brazil
9-13 July	<u>CTU Caribbean ICT Roadshow</u>	Georgetown, Guyana
16-20 July	<u>31st Meeting of PCC.II</u>	Mexico City, Mexico



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