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WRAP-UP EDITION

Next Stop: ICANN62 in Panama City
Rodrigo de la Parra, ICANN’s VP of Stakeholder Engagement for Latin America and the Caribbean

ICANN61 in Puerto Rico has been a memorable meeting. After six days of intense work and dynamic discussions, I can say that this meeting has been successful and special. The ICANN community decided to honor its commitment to host the meeting in Puerto Rico after the devastating effects of Hurricane Maria. This gesture contributes to solidarity and growth at a time when some are recovering from a period of need and tragedy. I am grateful to the community of stakeholders in Puerto Rico, who, with open arms, welcomed the global Internet community to the island.

As we leave Puerto Rico with good memories, we focus on ICANN62 in Panama City, Panama. After three years, ICANN returns to Latin America for this Policy Forum and for the first time, Panama City will be the location for the Internet community’s activities.

Read more...
ICANN62 Registration Is Open
ICANN62 will be here before you know it. This year’s Policy Forum will take place in Panama City from 25-28 June 2018. The four-day meeting will be focused on policy development work, outreach, and daily opportunities to network with the community.

Visit the ICANN62 website and register now!

ICANN61 NEWS

Post-ICANN61 Policy Report
The Post-ICANN61 Policy Report is now available in English, and will soon be published in all six U.N. languages. The report presents updates from ICANN61 from our Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees.

Download the report.

ICANN61 By the Numbers Now Available
ICANN has published the ICANN61 By the Numbers report, which includes technical, demographic, and attendance statistics of ICANN61. This report is part of ICANN’s commitment to transparency and to improving your meeting experience.

Download the report.

Recapping ICANN61 Meeting and Board Workshop
Cherine Chalaby, Chair, ICANN Board of Directors, reflects on the highlights of ICANN61 in a recent blog. He talks about the Board workshop that preceded the meeting, hot topics at the meeting, and the accomplishments of the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees.

Read Cherine Chalaby’s blog.

Budget Discussions at ICANN61
The FY19 draft Budget and Operating Plan was a major topic of conversation in San Juan. In a recent blog, Göran Marby, ICANN President and CEO, talks about how the community is looking at unexpected ways to decrease spending - he gives examples and talks about next steps.

Read Göran Marby’s blog.
Governmental Advisory Committee Issues ICANN61 Communiqué

The Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) Communiqué from ICANN61 is available for review here. ICANN receives input from governments through the GAC. Its key role is to give advice to ICANN on issues of public policy, especially where there may be an interaction between ICANN activities or policies and national laws or international agreements. The GAC meets three times a year at ICANN Public Meetings, where it discusses issues with the ICANN Board of Directors, Supporting Organizations, Advisory Committees, and other groups.

At-Large Announces New Liaisons

During ICANN61, the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) confirmed the appointment of Barrack Otieno as the new ALAC Liaison to the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO), and welcomed previously appointed Andrei Kolesnikov as the new ALAC Liaison to the Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC). The ALAC thanked outgoing Liaisons Maureen Hilyard and Julie Hammer for their service.

Our Sympathies

Cherine Chalaby, Chair, ICANN Board of Directors

Our community has sustained a tragic loss. It is with great sadness that I offer condolences on behalf of the ICANN Board on the passing of Stéphane Van Gelder. Stéphane was an active member of the ICANN community for many years serving many roles, both formal and informal.

Read more about our friend and colleague Stéphane Van Gelder.
Co-Chairs Statement from CCWG-Accountability Meeting in San Juan

On 9 March, the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability (CCWG-Accountability) held a face-to-face meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico, to further its discussions on Work Stream 2. Sixty-two members and participants attended in-person and remotely using the virtual meeting room.

Co-Chairs Thomas Rickert, León Sánchez, and Jordan Carter issued a statement. Read it here.

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Data Protection/Privacy Updates

For the latest updates on ICANN's data protection/privacy updates, visit this webpage. This page includes links to letters that were recently sent to data protection authorities asking for guidance on the proposed interim model for compliance with ICANN agreements and policies in relation to the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation.

ICANN63 Fellowship Application Round Now Open

On 20 March, ICANN launched the application round for individuals interested in participating in the ICANN63 Public Meeting through the Fellowship Program. The meeting will take place from 20-26 October 2018 in Barcelona, Spain. The deadline to apply is 27 April 2018, 23:59 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

Read the full announcement.

From Pilots to Kickoff: The Open Data Initiative

ICANN's Open Data Initiative produced a number of early pilots as part of an exercise in making data available via both an application program interface (API) and online, interactive tools. Learn about these early pilots and the plans to move forward to the project kickoff in this blog by ICANN's Matt Larson, VP of Research, Office of the Chief Technology Officer.

ICANN Publishes First Complaints Office Semi-Annual Report


Since the Complaints Office started receiving submissions in May 2017, it has received many complaints that have led to opportunities for the organization to research, analyze, and improve upon its work, all in a transparent manner. This report describes key activities and metrics for the reporting period, observations and recommendations from the Complaints Officer, and provides a look ahead at the next six months.
Be Sure to Read the 2017 Latin American and Caribbean Year in Review

For the fourth consecutive year, ICANN has published this comprehensive annual digest of our activities in Latin America and Caribbean (LAC). Review the accomplishments and events of 2017 as recounted by members of your ICANN LAC regional team and two Board members from the region. This resource is available in English, Portuguese, and Spanish.

Download the LAC Year in Review now.

Watch the ICANN61 Videos

We have posted 21 new videos, including interviews with community leaders on a variety of topics:

- Policy Development Process 3.0
- 2018 Nominating Committee
- 11-Year Anniversary of NARALO (in English and Spanish)
- Email Address Internationalization and Internationalized Domain Names
- Security and Stability Advisory Committee (SSAC)
- Introductions to various Stakeholder Groups and Constituencies within the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO)

Click here to watch the videos.

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