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EDITORIAL

ASIET has joined ICANN's Internet Service Providers and Connectivity Providers (ISPCP) group as a representative of the region's telecommunications companies.

During the ICANN63 Public Meeting held in Barcelona, Spain, the Inter-American Association of Telecommunication Companies (ASIET), a group of the main telecommunications companies in Latin America, joined ICANN's ISPCP constituency. This group, which works within the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO), represents the views of its community on numerous topics like new generic top-level domains (new gTLDs), IP addressing, the IANA transition, and more.

ASIET would like to thank ICANN's Latin American and Caribbean Global Stakeholder Engagement team for the invitation. For us, this is an important step because it offers new learning and collaboration opportunities between our organizations. The experience in Barcelona, both during ICANN's Public Meeting general sessions and within our group meetings, was enriching.

With the collaboration between ASIET and ICANN, we want to encourage Latin American operators to learn more about ICANN in greater detail and explore the ways they can participate and collaborate. ASIET is hopeful that this relationship will grow in the future.



Andrés Sastre, Regional Director - Southern Cone, Inter-American Association of Telecommunication Companies (ASIET).



TOP STORY



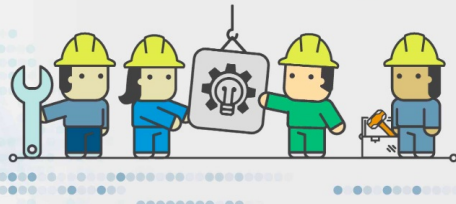
ICANN's Five Year LAC Strategy Report Highlights Increased Regional Engagement

The Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) region's participation in ICANN processes grew tremendously in the last five years. What started as a few stakeholder meetings during ICANN Public Meetings, grew into formalized sessions during those meetings, including the LAC Space and the newly formed LAC Session on Policy Development Processes (PDPs). Similarly, the level of awareness about ICANN improved significantly, due to regional events and outreach efforts that encouraged the participation of new voices in the region.

Check out our new report and review the work we have done with the LAC community, [here](#).



Multistakeholder Advice Development



Multistakeholder Advice Development Process

Want to learn more about how ICANN works with stakeholders to develop advice on global gTLD, ccTLD, and IP address policies? We've created a new infographic which explains the multistakeholder Advice Development Process from start to finish across the four major policy advisory committees.

Click [here](#) to explore.

ICANN at the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference

ICANN President and Chief Executive Officer Göran Marby spoke at the opening of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) 2018 Plenipotentiary conference (PP-18) in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Every four years, this conference brings together representative governments and members from telecommunications, information and communication technologies (ICT) and academic institutions from all over the world to decide the ITU's course of action for the next four years. Decisions taken during this meeting have direct effects on how the world of communications will evolve, impacting the way billions of users communicate on a daily basis.



The security, stability, and resiliency of the Internet remain paramount for ICANN's work to ensure a global, interoperable Internet for all. ICANN's engagement with all stakeholders and organizations, including the ITU, is an important part of our commitment to raise awareness and enhance opportunities. Read the full speech on the [ICANN blog](#).



ICANN65 Fellowship Round Now Open

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is now accepting applications for the ICANN65 Fellowship Program. This round is open only to those who have previously completed an ICANN Fellowship because ICANN65 is a Policy Forum. The meeting is from 24-27 June 2019 in Marrakech, Morocco. The deadline to apply is 14 December 2018.

[ICANN's Fellowship Program](#) seeks out individuals who are interested in, or already engaged in, the various aspects of ICANN's work in policymaking, the operation of the Domain Name System, and the security and stability of the global

Internet. The goal of the program is to strengthen the diversity of the multistakeholder model by fostering opportunities for individuals from underserved and underrepresented communities to become active participants in the ICANN community.



Registry Training in Brazil

São Paulo hosted the 2nd meeting for LAC Registries on 30 November 2018. Jointly organized by ICANN's Global Domain Division (GDD) and Global Stakeholder

Engagement (GSE) teams, the full day of activities reviewed the most important aspects of registry operations, opportunities for participation in policy development, and a strategy workshop organized by the Brand Registry Group (BRG). ICANN would like to thank BRG members for contributing to this meeting, particularly to Martin Sutton who travelled to São Paulo to conduct the workshop.



ICANN's 5th Edition of the LAC DNS FORUM Engages With DNS Industry Stakeholders in São Paulo

The fifth annual Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) DNS Forum was held in São Paulo, Brazil on 29 November with the theme "New Technologies and Digital Security". The LAC DNS Forum brings together industry, Internet policy, and technical professionals interested in discussing DNS-related issues. The forum also provides an opportunity to engage and

network with key players and experts in the field.

It was jointly organized by Abrahosting, the Latin American and Caribbean ccTLDs Organization (LACTLD), the Latin American and Caribbean Address Registry (LACNIC), the Internet Society (ISOC), the Public Interest Registry (PIR), and the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).

Click [here](#) to access the agenda (in Portuguese).

First Internet and Entrepreneurship Forum Held in Monterrey, Mexico

ICANN was pleased to work with LACNIC, LACTLD, ISOC, ALAI, NIC Mexico, and Google to organize the first International Internet and Entrepreneurship Forum from 8-9 November 2018 in Monterrey, Mexico. The Forum was part of the Entrepreneurship Festival (INCmty) held each year in Monterrey, Mexico since 2012.

ICANN's regional vice-president, Rodrigo de la Parra, moderated a panel on Internet infrastructure and also spoke on a panel entitled "Digital Transformation of Latin America, Challenges, and Perspectives". ICANN's Cyrus Jamnejad spoke about the domain name ecosystem and the new gTLD program during a panel on the digital presence of brands. The full Forum was video streamed and remote participation was strong.



Representatives from each of the entities in charge of organizing the first edition of the Internet and Entrepreneurship Forum.

Click [here](#) to access the agenda (in Spanish).

National Internet Governance Forum in Paraguay

ICANN's Daniel Fink visited Asunción, Paraguay to participate in their 5th Internet Governance Forum from 5 to 7 November. The event was organized by the Internet Society's Paraguay Chapter in the Universidad Americana auditorium. Daniel was invited to speak on a panel about the domain name ecosystem and entrepreneurship opportunities in the Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) region.

Brazilian Universal Acceptance Study

The study "Evaluation of Brazilian Websites for Universal Acceptance" was presented by Paulo Milliet Roque and Mark Datysgeld during the LAC Space session in ICANN63 held in Barcelona, Spain. This is

one of the first steps towards Universal Acceptance engagement in the region. ICANN thanks the Brazilian Software Association (ABES) and NIC.br for the support and guidance on this study. ICANN extends gratitude to Sávyo Vinicius de Moraes (NextGen Ambassador), Mark Datysgeld (Fellow Alumni and Business Constituency member), Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) members, and Dr. Ajay Data from Xgenplus for the team that conducted the research.



LAC STRATEGIC PLAN NEWS

ICANN Community Participates in Discussion About the Geographic Regions Review Working Group in Capacity Development Webinar

Rubens Kuhl (Brazil) was the main speaker for the capacity development webinar on ICANN's policy development process on 19 November. He presented about the Geographic Regions Review Working Group.

To learn more about the Working Group, read their recommendations mapping document (October 2018), [here](#).



ICANN and DNS Industry Experts Met in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, for the LAC-i-Roadshow

On 22 November, the regional community held the 2018 LAC-i-Roadshow edition for the Andean region in Santa Cruz, Bolivia with the support of the Bolivian Chapter of the Internet Society (ISOC). As part of the LAC Strategy outreach support, Martin Silva (Argentina) attended this activity to do outreach for the generic name supporting organization (GNSO).

Click [here](#) to access the agenda (in Spanish).



POLICY UPDATE

TLD-OPS Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity Planning

Starting in September, the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team on the Temporary Community volunteers under auspices of the TLD-OPS Steering Committee are currently drafting a playbook containing basic concepts for disaster recovery and business continuity specific to ccTLDs. During a collaborative session at ICANN63, TLD-OPS organized an in-depth discussion focused on the various aspects of disaster recovery. Participants discussed detection, activation, analysis of incidents, and action and communications planning. One of the takeaways from the workshop is the need to develop a ccTLD playbook to assist ccTLD registry and DNS operations. A draft of the playbook should be presented at ICANN64. Learn more about TLD-OPS [here](#).

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At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)/At-Large Update

The [At-Large Review Implementation Working Group \(ARIWG\)](#) has made significant progress on the first ARIWG Milestone Report, due in December 2018.

The At-Large Advisory Committee confirmed endorsement of candidates and alternates for the 2019 ICANN Academy Leadership Program at ICANN64. The candidates represent a regionally diverse group of leaders interested in developing their knowledge of ICANN and Internet policy.

The [At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group \(CPWG\)](#) has held weekly calls since ICANN63. Highlights of those discussions include: improvements to the At-Large advice development process; updates about the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for

gTLD Registration Data, and current ICANN public comment proceedings. Steve DelBianco from the Business Constituency presented on the [Unified Access Model](#).

ALAC and At-Large community members took part in the [Internet Governance Forum 2018 in Paris, France. The European Regional At-Large Organization also signed a memorandum of understanding](#) with the Council of European National Top-Level Domain Registries (CENTR), agreeing to collaborate on areas of mutual interest.



EPDP Team Publishes Initial Report for Public Comment

The Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) Team on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data published its Initial Report for [public comment](#). The Initial Report includes the EPDP Team's proposed responses to the charter questions. It also includes their preliminary recommendations and specific questions concerning the purposes of processing registration data, required data processing activities and terms, and updates to other consensus policies. Commenters are strongly encouraged to use the input [form](#) to provide feedback. The public comment period is scheduled to close on 21 December 2018.

Read the EPDP Team Leadership [blog](#) for more details.

GNSO Council Update

The Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council reconfirmed one of its original candidates and nominated two additional primary candidates as the GNSO representatives for the third Accountability and Transparency Review (ATR3). These three candidates are: Wolfgang Kleinwächter (reconfirmed), Patrick Kane, and Osvaldo Novoa. The GNSO Council also named four additional nominees to be considered should additional places be available.

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GDD UPDATE



Ajay Data (Data Xgen Plus CEO), Vasundhara Raje (Chief Minister of Rajasthan), and Samiran Gupta (ICANN Head of India on behalf of the UASG).

UASG Presents the Universal Acceptance Thought Leader Award

On November 12, the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) presented the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Vasundhara Raje, with the Universal Acceptance Thought Leader Award for her outstanding work fostering Universal Acceptance and Email Address internationalization through her government email service, Rajmail. This service, developed in collaboration with email provider Data Xgen Plus, enables the people of Rajasthan to get an email address in their local language. Rajmail already benefits two million residents.

Registrants

Read the latest edition to the Registrant Blog Series - Do you have a domain name? Here's what you need to know. [Part V: Renewing Your Domain Name](#). Find more Domain Name Registrant resources [here](#).



WHAT'S NEW IN REVIEWS



ICANN Announces Calls-to-Action for Community Participation in ICANN Reviews

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) has several calls-to-action for community participation in ICANN reviews. ICANN reviews are important accountability

mechanisms that need community input to help ICANN deliver on its commitments to bottom-up policy development.

Specific Reviews

Join the fourth face-to-face meeting of the RDS-WHOIS2 Review Team on 10-12 December 2018. The team will review the public comments received on its [draft report](#), determine any corresponding changes, and finalize its recommendations before they are submitted to the ICANN Board. Remote attendance will be supported. Click [here](#) to learn how to join.

Organizational Reviews

Please take the [ccNSO Review survey](#), now available for community input. The aim of the survey is to collect input from those who have interacted with ccNSO or have suggestions for ways to improve it. The survey is informed by learnings from Meridian Institute's research and the interviews it has conducted to date. The survey will close on 21 December 2018.

Please Visit the [Review Status Update Table](#) for the latest status on Specific and Organizational Reviews and additional key resources.



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR ICANN COMMUNITY

Rudolph Daniel ICT4Dev Consulting Caribbean and ICANN63 Civil Society Fellow

I am a volunteer, a member at ARIN, have participated in cross-community working groups and was a root zone cryptography officer since ICANN29. I also represent a startup Internet Service Provider (ISP) in St. Lucia in the eastern Caribbean. I recently celebrated 20 years of ICANN when I attended ICANN63 in Barcelona, Spain as a returning fellow.

The success of the 2016 stewardship transition and the recent Key KSK Rollover are huge achievements in the history of our unique multistakeholder process.

Despite the remarkable success to date, the digital divide is fast



Rudolph Daniel, ICT4Dev Consulting Caribbean and ICANN63 Civil Society Fellow (St. Vincent and the Grenadines).

becoming a development divide. Connecting the next 4 billion Internet users should be firmly on the agenda if we are to address inequities across marginalized groups and rural communities.

As the community matures, we should realize that development is not only about technology, but much more about people, tools, and processes.



UPCOMING EVENTS

17-19 December

35 Meeting of COM/CITEL (Inter-American Telecommunication Commission)

Mar del Plata, Argentina



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