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TOP STORY

Improving Our Public Meetings

ICANN President and CEO Göran Marby recently **outlined** how the ICANN Board and organization are working together with the community to assess the effectiveness of our Public Meetings and determine how the org can improve support for the community's work both now and in the future when we return to in-person meetings.

Read this blog from David Olive, the Senior Vice President of Policy Development Support, and Sally Costerton, the Senior Vice President of Global Stakeholder Engagement, for an update on timelines and milestones.

ICANN NEWS

New Infographic: Learn How to Limit Your Risk of Online Fraud

Learn the many steps you can take to protect your domain name from common scams in this new publication aimed to help educate domain name registrants.

Click here to view the infographic.

Important Tips to Help Keep Your Domain Name Secure

New Resources Available for Domain Name Holders (Registrants)

Read the latest blog from the Registrant Program team highlighting the fourth edition of its "Issues and Challenges Impacting Domain Name Registrants" reporting series, an ICANN69 webinar updating the community about recent work, and a reminder to take the

registrant-focused ICANN Learn course where domain name holders can learn how to leverage best practices for their domain name.

Click **here** to read the full blog.

Call for SO/ACs to Nominate Fellowship Program Mentors and Selection Committee Members

ICANN org invites Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees (SO/ACs) to nominate volunteers to serve as mentors in its Fellowship Program and to serve on the Fellowship Program Selection Committee.

Read this announcement for more details on the roles and how to apply.

POLICY UPDATE

GNSO: Review of All RPMs Phase 1 Final Report

On 24 November, the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Review of All Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPMs) in All Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLD) Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group submitted its Phase 1 Final Report to the GNSO Council. If approved, the GNSO Council will forward the report to the ICANN Board for consideration and potential action in accordance with the ICANN Bylaws. The primary objective of this Final Report is to document the work of the PDP working group in several areas, including:

- Recommendations for new policies or procedures.
- Recommendations to maintain the status quo.
- Recommendations to modify existing operational practice.
- Implementation guidance.
- Associated consensus levels of all final recommendations.

This Final Report also documents the deliberations of the working group, input received on its Phase 1 Initial Report and its subsequent analysis, and other pertinent information that provides background, context, and rationale for its total of 35 final recommendations.

Learn more.

GNSO Council Holds Virtual Strategic Planning Session

In November, the GNSO held its fourth Strategic Planning Session (SPS) over the course of a four-week period. For the last few years, the annual SPS has allowed the GNSO Council to onboard new councilors and to develop a strategic work plan for the upcoming year.

This year, the SPS focused on two topics: empowering the GNSO to deliver on its priorities and commitments and aligning program management with resources. These two topics were introduced in an initial plenary session and further discussed among councilors during breakout sessions. In addition, the SPS also included an opportunities and threats brainstorming session, which involved leaders of GNSO stakeholder groups, constituencies, and former councilors. Stay

tuned for the SPS Final Report to review the details and outcome.

ccNSO Nominates Katrina Sataki to ICANN Board Seat 12

The members of the Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) recently nominated Katrina Sataki for ICANN Board Seat 12. Sataki will begin a three-year term at the conclusion of ICANN72. Although the ccNSO Council is responsible for the nomination, ccNSO members select nominees to serve on the ICANN Board. Sataki is the current chair of the ccNSO Council and chief executive of NIC.LV, the registry of the country code top-level domain of Latvia.

Learn more about the election process, including the public call for nominations, the election results, and information on the candidates.

ccNSO Council Welcomes New Members

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The ccNSO Council is preparing to welcome newly selected members. Once the ccNSO Council has formally appointed Jiankang Yao (Asia-Pacific), Hadji Mmadi Ali (Africa), Irina Danelia (Europe), Jenifer López (Latin America-Caribbean), and Sean Copeland (North America), their three-year terms will begin at the conclusion of ICANN70.

Learn more about the ccNSO Council election process.

ARIN Activities Update

The American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN) recently held its biannual Public Policy and Members Meeting, ARIN 46, on 14-15 and 23 October 2020. The **ARIN 46 Meeting Report**, including presentations, links to daily recaps, transcripts, and webcast archives, is now available. ARIN would like to thank everyone who participated in the meeting.

ARIN 47 is scheduled to be held 11-14 April 2021, tentatively in Tampa, Florida. The community will be advised of any changes to the format of the meeting in the coming months.

The 2020 ARIN elections also concluded on 30 October, and ARIN wishes to congratulate those elected by the community to serve on the ARIN Board of Trustees and ARIN Advisory Council.

View the **election results**.

🔔 GDS UPDATE

Working Towards an #Internet4All

The Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG),

through its various working groups, Local Initiatives, and UA Ambassadors, is working to develop a more digitally inclusive and multilingual Internet. By ensuring that all domain names and email addresses – in any language, script, or character length (e.g., .рф, .PHOTOGRAPHY) – are accepted equally by all Internet-enabled applications, devices, and systems, users can experience a true #Internet4All.

As 2020 comes to a close, the UASG has published three blogs highlighting recent UA activities and progress made towards an #Internet4All:

- **ICANN69 Highlights Universal Acceptance Initiatives and Global Momentum**
- **Support for Email Addresses in Local Languages Grows with Major Tech Companies**
- **Making Global Progress Towards an #Internet4All | Universal Acceptance Local Initiatives**

The UASG looks forward to expanding its efforts and reach in 2021. If you would like to get involved, please visit **https://uasg.tech/**. And continue to stay informed on everything UA by following the UASG on **Twitter**, **Facebook**, and **LinkedIn**.

Access to Registration Data via RDAP

Domain name registration data lookup leveraging the Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) has been available from ICANN since last year. RDAP was developed by the technical community in the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) as a potential replacement for the WHOIS protocol.

You can now access ICANN's Domain Name Registration Data Lookup tool **here**.

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