



TOP STORY



Start Planning Your ICANN65

ICANN65 in Marrakech, Morocco is just around the corner. The Policy Forum will take place 24 to 27 June at the Palmeraie Conference Center. Check out the session schedule below and start planning your participation. Here are some resources to help:

- [ICANN65 website](#)
- [ICANN65 schedule](#)
- [Pre-ICANN65 Prep Week materials](#)

Don't forget to download the ICANN Meetings mobile app to help you navigate ICANN65. You'll find tools like the full session schedule, maps, the daily newsletter, and the shuttle schedule. The app is available in the Apple or Android app stores.



ICANN NEWS

Future Public Meeting Locations Announced

Cancún, Mexico will host the ICANN70 Community Forum from 20-25 March 2021 at the Cancún International Convention Center. ICANN71, a Policy Forum, will be held in The Hague, Netherlands, from 14-17 June 2021. In January, ICANN announced Seattle, Washington, U.S. will host the ICANN72 Annual General Meeting from 23-28 October 2021. Reserve those dates in your calendar today!

ICANN | MEETINGS



Zoom: Responding to Your Feedback

As [previously announced](#), ICANN org is deploying Zoom as ICANN's official remote participation (RP) platform, and we are on track to transition entirely to Zoom in time for ICANN65 in Marrakech, Morocco. Chief Information Officer Ashwin Rangan addresses some of the feedback on the transition in his [latest blog](#).



Get Ready for ICANN65! Prep Week Material Now Available

The ICANN65 Prep Week was held 11 - 17 June, and featured webinars and updates on several community-led projects. Public Meeting Prep Weeks are designed to enable more substantive conversations during sessions, increase awareness of cross-community and high-interest topics, and enhance briefings and readout sessions. Access the webinar recordings and related materials [here](#).



ICANN | RSSAC

Evolving the Root Server System Governance

In June 2018, the Root Server System Advisory Committee (RSSAC) presented to the ICANN Board and community "RSSAC037: A Proposed Governance Model for the DNS Root Server System" (RSSAC037). As part of the Board's consideration of RSSAC037, ICANN org prepared a concept paper outlining a community-driven process led by the Root Server System Governance Working Group (GWG) to develop a final cooperation and governance model for the RSS. ICANN org developed a draft charter, operating procedures, and draft work plan for the GWG. RSSAC037, the concept paper, draft charter, operating procedures, and draft work plan for the GWG are available for [Public Comment](#). Provide your input today.

ICANN Board Reviews EPDP Recommendation

On 15 May 2019, the ICANN Board adopted 27 of the 29 Phase 1 policy recommendations from the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data. The Board did not adopt two of the recommendations in full, where they identified portions of those recommendations that they believe are not in the best interests of the ICANN Community. The Board has initiated the consultation process with the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) Council. For a number of other recommendations, the ICANN Board noted specific issues that it expects to be addressed during implementation of the EPDP Phase 1 recommendations or considered during Phase 2. Learn more [here](#).



ICANN | ccNSO

ccNSO Takes Next Step on Internet Governance

The Country Code Names Supporting Organization (ccNSO) recently established the [Internet Governance Liaison Committee](#) (IGLC) to increase participation by country code top-level domain (ccTLD) managers on discussions related to Internet governance. The IGLC will provide regular feedback to the ccNSO Council, ccNSO members, and broader ccTLD community. Consult the IGLC Terms of Reference [here](#) and workspace [here](#).

GNSO Update

The GNSO Council:

- Submitted to the ICANN Board a [Recommendations Report](#) from the GNSO PDP Working Group on the International Governmental Organizations (IGO) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGO) Access to Curative Rights Protection Mechanisms. The Recommendations Report addresses Recommendations 1-4 in the PDP Final Report approved by the GNSO Council last month.
- Confirmed Julf Helsingius to serve as a GNSO representative to the Cross-Community Working

ICANN | GNSO

On 24 June 2019, the GNSO Policy Support Team will host an interactive session for participants to ask questions and engage in candid discussions about GNSO policy development processes and beyond. All ICANN65 attendees, especially newcomers, are welcome to participate. [Learn More](#).

ARIN to Launch New Leadership Development Program

The American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN) will launch a [Leadership Development Program](#) this summer to develop future leaders from diverse backgrounds and geographic representation and encourage their ongoing engagement with ARIN. The first phase of the program is a series of four, one-hour [webinars](#) for community members who want to learn more about the ARIN organization, governance, Board of Trustees, Advisory Council, and the Number Resource Organization (NRO) Number Council.

Each session will include a 30 to 45-minute presentation followed by a question and answer session; recordings will be published on ARIN's YouTube channel. Registration will be open to all interested parties. Sessions are timed to commence prior to the Call for Nominations for the 2019 elections to all of ARIN's elected bodies.

ALAC-GAC Collaboration and ICANN65 Planning

- The At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) and the Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) are collaborating on a variety of topics including the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) and the submission of joint statements to the ICANN Board. Most recently, this included a [joint statement on the EPDP](#). A new focus group, led by Yrjö Lansipuro (ALAC Liaison) and Ana Neves (GAC point of contact), will develop capacity building initiatives for both groups.
- For ICANN65, the At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group (CPWG) is developing talking points and a policy workshop for At-Large members. A pilot on Universal Acceptance is also being developed by ALAC Vice Chair John Laprise for discussion at ICANN65. African Regional At-Large Organization (AFRALO) leaders and At-Large support staff are organizing multiple events for ICANN65, including an AFRALO-AfrICANN meeting, the AFRALO Hot Topics session, and an AFRALO-At-Large networking event. The groups are also working to promote the participation of Rabat University students at ICANN65.



GDD UPDATE



Call for Volunteers

ICANN is seeking volunteers for an Implementation Review Team to help with the upcoming Registration Data Policy Implementation. Read the recent announcement to learn more about the requirements, expectations, and how you can sign up [here](#).

New Consensus Policy Now in Effect

Generic top-level domain (gTLD) registries and registrars were notified in May of ICANN's newest Consensus Policy requiring implementation of the Interim Registration Data Policy for gTLDs. More background and details outlining this new policy can be found [here](#).



Survey Confirms GDD Meeting Objectives

ICANN commissioned an independent research company, the MITA Group, to conduct the third annual survey of ICANN contracted parties to examine the Global Domains Division's (GDD) performance with the ICANN community and contracted parties. The results outline how the GDD delivers on its stated mission and objectives along with recommended steps to be even more effective. Read the full results [here](#).



WHAT'S NEW IN REVIEWS

Opportunities to Participate: ICANN Reviews and Evolving ICANN's Multistakeholder Model

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) has several opportunities for community input and participation.

Specific Reviews are led by teams of community volunteers to assess the performance of the ICANN organization and make recommendations for improvement.

- **Observe the SSR2 and ATRT3 Review Team face-to-face meetings at ICANN65.** The second Security, Stability, and Resiliency Review Team (SSR2) is finalizing draft findings and recommendations. The third Accountability and Transparency Review Team (ATRT3) is in the research and analysis phase of the review.
 - SSR2 face-to-face meeting: 22 and 23 June 2019. Learn more [here](#).
 - ATRT3 face-to-face meeting: 23 June 2019. Learn more [here](#).

Organizational Reviews are led by independent examiners who assess the extent to which ICANN's Supporting Organizations (SOs), Advisory Committees (ACs), and the Nominating Committee (NomCom) fulfill their purpose, are accountable to their stakeholders, and whether any changes in structure or operations are needed.

- The NomCom RIWG is currently developing a detailed implementation plan of the recommendations as detailed in the Feasibility Assessment and Initial Implementation Plan (FAIIP). Access the webinar [here](#). Learn more about the NomComRIWG's work [here](#).

Visit the [Reviews Status Update Table](#) for the latest progress of Specific and Organizational Reviews and links to additional key resources for each.

Attend the ICANN65 session on Evolving ICANN's Multistakeholder Model. Facilitated by Brian Cote, this session will continue a community conversation, following the closure of a recent **Public Comment proceeding** on issues that the community has identified to be addressed. Learn more [here](#).



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