



North America Report

1 JULY 2020 - 30 JUNE 2021



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Year at a Glance — Timeline

2020

17 September

Naela Sarras [appointed](#) ICANN Vice President of Stakeholder Engagement in North America.

2021

January to March

North America Engagement team held one-on-one meetings with community members to get input and ideas for engagement areas.

March

Nearly 25 engineering students at the University of Colorado at Boulder participated in a virtual lecture by the NA team on IPv6 with the American Registry for Internet Numbers (ARIN).

April

The NA Engagement Team launched a new webinar series on key ICANN topics. The first two took place in April, with one focused on the root zone and the other on the North America Regional Engagement Plan.

19 May

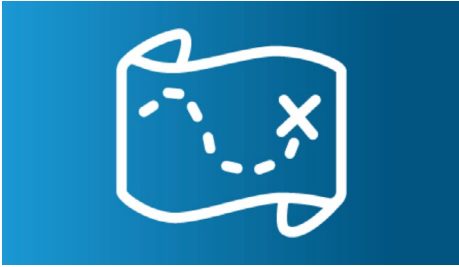
The NA Engagement Team opened a [Public Comment](#) proceeding from 19 May to 2 July on its draft North America Engagement Plan for FY21–25.

June

The team created a new North American community [mailing list](#) to share news and events but also experiences and perspectives on different issues.

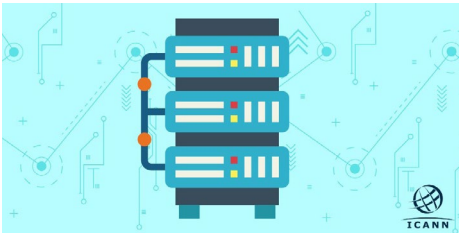
Regional Highlights

New Regional Engagement Plan Aims to Strengthen Engagement



The NA team worked with the community to develop a regional engagement plan to strengthen engagement and participation. The engagement goals are aligned with the goals and objectives defined in the ICANN FY21–25 Strategic Plan. The plan will be revisited yearly to ensure that it continues to be aligned with ICANN’s overall strategic goals. Members of the public were invited to comment on the plan from May to 2 July and their feedback is being incorporated into the plan. The document is available [here](#).

New Webinar Series Launched



A new webinar series created by the North America regional team aims to strengthen engagement by bringing timely topics to the community for discussion. Nearly 100 community members participated in the first webinar of the series “The Root Zone from A to Z” which featured ICANN’s foremost experts on the topic. In addition, a webinar on creating the North America Regional Engagement Plan in alignment with the FY21–25 Strategic Plan was also held during this period.

Capacity-Development Activities in North America

TRAINING FOR TECHNICAL COMMUNITY

Due to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, ICANN org was unable to organize any specific training for the technical community members during this fiscal year.

Total number of workshops in FY21:

0

TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

ICANN org provides training for law enforcement agencies so that they can better handle abuse and misuse related to Internet identifiers.

Total number of workshops in FY21:

5

TRAINING FOR NONTECHNICAL COMMUNITY

The org also regularly helps to engage with the community on timely topics.

Total number of workshops in FY21:

5

North America Community Leaders

For the list of Supporting Organization and Advisory Committees leaders, please refer to ICANN's [FY21 Annual Report](#), page 109.

COMMUNITY GROUPS OR POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES

Tim April – SSAC Work Party on Routing Security

Donna Austin – GNSO EPDP Working Group on Internationalized Domain Names, Co-Chair

Jeff Bedser – SSAC Work Party on Domain Name Abuse

Roger Carney – GNSO Policy Development Process Working Group on a Review of the Transfer Policy, Chair

Philip Corwin – GNSO Policy Development Process Working Group on All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All Generic Top-Level Domains

Stephen Deerhake – ccNSO Policy Development Process Working Group on the Retirement of Country Code Top-Level Domains and a Review Mechanism

Keith Drazek – GNSO Expedited Policy Development Process Working Group on the Temporary Specification for Generic Top-Level Domain Registration Data Phase 2A, Co-Chair

James Galvin – SSAC Work Party on the Name Collisions Analysis Project

Laureen Kapin – GAC Public Safety Working Group, Co-Chair

Kathy Kleiman – GNSO Policy Development Process Working Group on All Rights Protection Mechanisms in All Generic Top-Level Domains

Russ Mundy – SSAC Work Party on Routing Security

Jeffrey Neuman – GNSO PDP Working Group on New Generic Top-Level Domain Subsequent Procedures, Co-Chair

Rod Rasmussen – SSAC Work Party on Root Service Early Warning System

Ken Renard – RSSAC Caucus Work Party on the Effects of a Rogue Root Server Operator, Leader

Matthew Thomas – SSAC Work Party on the Name Collisions Analysis Project

Jonathan Zuck – At-Large Consolidated Policy Working Group, Co-Chair

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