

Dear Generic Names Supporting Organization Council Leaders,

***Please reply no later than Wednesday 1
March 2023***

The Board and I very much look forward to welcoming and meeting with you during ICANN76 in Cancún, between 11-16 March. It is with great pleasure and excitement that we are finally going to Mexico, after having had to cancel the in-person component of both ICANN67 and ICANN70. We are grateful to our friends and stakeholders in Latin America for their patience and understanding in the process, and delighted to say ¡ Cancún aquí vamos! (Cancún, here we are!).

The last three years have certainly proven eventful for all of us, but in unison with ICANN organization, we are more determined than ever to work closely with you to make 2023 and the many years after that, productive and successful.

This time in particular, the Board proposes a slight change in the approach to our bilateral sessions. We understood that there was an appetite for questions more tailored to each stakeholder group's needs. Therefore, we will not be sending the same question from the Board to all of you. Having said this, to maintain our commitment to transparency, all of the questions the Board sends to each group will be published in the Community Digest.

The second improvement that we are putting in place starting at ICANN76, is to provide you with a summary of what we heard from you during these bilateral sessions. This summary will be in two forms:

1. A blog highlighting key take aways from ICANN76 (and every ICANN meeting after that)
2. Summaries of bilateral sessions will be included in the Policy Outcomes Report we publish after each ICANN meeting

These are only initial steps, and we will continue to discuss with you ways improve the way we interact moving forward. In the meantime, please find herewith the questions we would like to ask your Group ahead of our joint session in Cancún:

The final SupPro report assigns resolution of many, potentially complex issues to the Implementation Review Team (IRT). IRTs can - and sometimes have - become bottlenecks, for example, in connection with efforts to relitigate policy outcomes or where there are gaps in the policy being implemented. What concrete steps can the board, org, or community (or all 3 collectively) take to improve the IRT process? Please be as concrete as possible.

We look forward to hearing your thoughts on this soon.

We would be grateful if you could send to Board Operations (board-ops-team@icann.org) the questions you would like the Board to address during our face-to-face meetings. Given the finite time available for these meetings, please list your questions in order of priority. We would also appreciate getting your questions no later than **Wednesday 1 March, 2023**.

We thank you in advance for your time on this matter.

Best regards,

Tripti Sinha
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors