

# Policy Development Process: New Generic Top-Level Domain Subsequent Procedures

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT ICANN70 IN RELATION TO THIS TOPIC?

The New Generic Top-Level Domain (gTLD) Subsequent Procedures Policy Development Process (PDP) Working Group will not be meeting at ICANN70 as it has completed its work. In January 2021 the Working Group submitted its Final Report to the GNSO Council for consideration and the GNSO Council adopted the Final Report in February 2021.

## WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

This PDP aims to determine what, if any, changes need to be made to the existing policy recommendations from the 2007 [Final Report on the Introduction of New Generic Top-Level Domains](#). [Learn More](#)

## WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THIS PROJECT?

The working group started its work on 22 February 2016 and, over the course of several years, convened several subgroups and undertook extensive deliberations on the long list of topics in this working group’s charter. This work included numerous opportunities for community input, including public comment periods on its [Initial Report](#), [Supplemental Initial Report](#), [Additional Supplemental Initial Report from the PDP’s Work Track 5](#), and [Draft Final Report](#).

The working group submitted its [Final Report](#) to the GNSO Council for its consideration on 18 January 2021. It put forward hundreds of Affirmations, Recommendations, and Implementation Guidance (collectively referred to as “outputs”) under 41 topics. Only two outputs did not receive consensus or full consensus support from the working group. On 28 January 2021, the PDP Co-Chairs hosted a [webinar](#) for the GNSO Council to provide a detailed review of these outputs.

On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council unanimously [approved](#) the outputs achieving consensus or full consensus contained in the PDP Final Report. The GNSO Council also requested that the ICANN Board initiate an Operational Design Phase (ODP) on the PDP Final Report, and requested that ICANN org convene an Implementation Review Team to implement the PDP’s outputs.



### **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED NEXT STEPS?**

The GNSO Council will submit the GNSO Council Recommendations Report pertaining to the PDP Final Report to the ICANN Board for its consideration.

### **HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?**

As part of the ICANN Board's consideration of the final recommendations, a public comment forum will be open. Anyone interested is invited to provide their input to help inform the Board's consideration of the recommendations. Please check the Public Comment Opportunities [webpage](#) for more information.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

- [PDP webpage](#)
- [PDP workspace](#)

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