

# Project Tracking & Rollup DASHBOARD



**Project Name** EPDP: Internationalized Domain Names - Phase 2 **Program** IDNs **Project Sponsor** GNSO Council

**Project Information**

**46%**  
% Complete

**05/20/21**  
Actual Start

**03/27/26**  
Planned Finish

**Tasks by Status**

● Not\_Started ● Complete ● In\_Progress

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**Participant Summary**

● Member ● Participant ● Observer - Email Only  
● Staff - Assigned ● Staff - Not Assigned

**Project Status & Health**

Project_Status	Project_Health
Revised Schedule	On-Target

Summary Gantt & Key Milestones						2021												2022												2023												2024												2025											
Health	Primary Task	Current Start	Current Finish	% Complete	Status	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1																															
	<b>EPDP: Internationalized Domain Names - Phase 2</b>	05/20/21	03/27/26	46%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	<b>PROJECT CONTROL</b>	05/20/21	02/16/26	53%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	<b>GROUP DELIBERATIONS</b>	08/11/21	10/30/25	61%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 1: Definition of All gTLDs Using RZ-LGR	08/25/21	02/17/22	100%	Complete	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 2: Same Entity at Top-Level	02/04/22	03/31/22	100%	Complete	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 3: Objection Processes, String Similarity Review, String Contention Resolution, Reserved Strings, and Other Policies and Procedures as Impacted by Variants	03/18/22	01/06/23	100%	Complete	[Gantt bar]																																																											
●	Data Collection to Facilitate Phase 2 Deliberations	11/07/22	07/07/23	95%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 4: Same Entity at Second-Level	11/13/23	04/05/24	65%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 5: Domain Name Lifecycle	04/08/24	08/30/24	50%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 6: Registration Dispute Resolution Procedures and Trademark Protection Mechanisms	09/02/24	11/01/24	13%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Group 7: IDN Implementation Guidelines	11/04/24	01/10/25	12%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	<b>INITIAL REPORT</b>	09/20/21	06/20/25	53%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Publish Phase 1 Initial Report	04/21/23	04/21/23	100%	Complete	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Public comment forum on Phase 1 Initial Report (56 calendar days)	04/24/23	06/19/23	100%	Complete	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Publish Phase 2 Initial Report	05/02/25	05/02/25			[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Public comment forum on Phase 2 Initial Report (40 calendar days)	05/05/25	06/20/25			[Gantt bar]																																																											
	<b>FINAL REPORT</b>	06/20/23	11/14/25	5%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Review of public comments	06/20/23	07/28/23	40%	In Progress	[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Submission of Phase 1 Final Report to the GNSO Council	11/10/23	11/10/23			[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Review of public comments	06/23/25	08/01/25			[Gantt bar]																																																											
	Submission of Phase 2 Final Report to the GNSO Council	11/14/25	11/14/25			[Gantt bar]																																																											

**Project Description**

On 20 May 2021, the GNSO Council passed a resolution to initiate the Expedited Policy Development Process (EPDP) on Internationalized Domain Names and adopt its charter. The EPDP Team is tasked with providing the GNSO Council with policy recommendations on: 1) the definition of gTLDs and the management of variant labels; and 2) how the IDN Implementation Guidelines, which Contracted Parties are required to comply with, should be updated in the future.

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**Open Issues & Risks**

- Deliberations of certain charter questions dependent upon input from external parties and additional data collection efforts.
- The EPDP Team will require additional resources and support as well as explore other mechanisms in order to complete Phase 2 work in an expeditious manner.

**Completed in Prior Period**

- Completed the Public Comment process for Phase 1 Initial Report, which closed on 19 June 2023.
- Completed initial deliberation for 9 out of 19 Phase 2 charter questions.
- Completed its deliverable for ICANN Board in ICANN77 regarding the project plan that identifies all EPDP-IDNs charter questions that will impact the next Applicant Guidebook and a timeline by when the team will deliver relevant recommendations to the GNSO Council; the deliverable also included the commitment to reconsider its schedule based on various factors.
- Completed and distributed [Project Package](#).

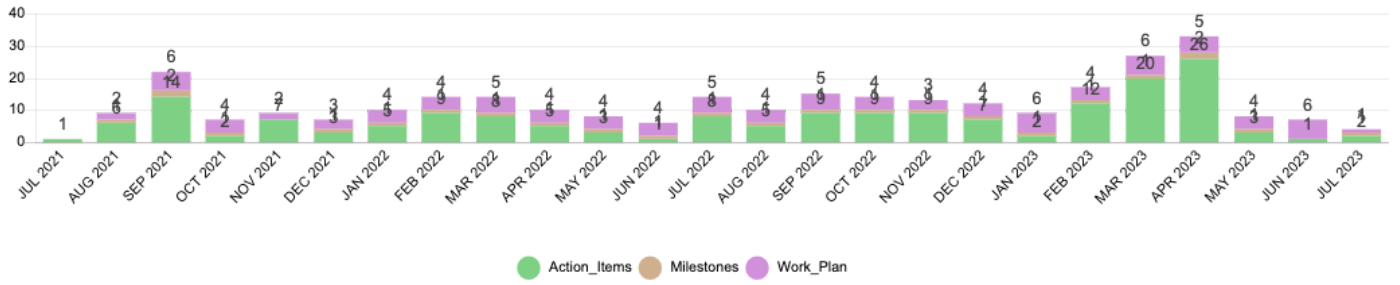
**Current Activities & Tasks**

- Review public comments received on Phase 1 Initial Report.
- Conduct Phase 2 charter question deliberations.
- Provide the GNSO Council a revised schedule for completing two phases of work, taking into account the public comments received for the Phase 1 Initial Report, progress made on Phase 2 charter questions, and approval for the EPDP Team's request for its dedicated face-to-face workshop in November / December 2023.

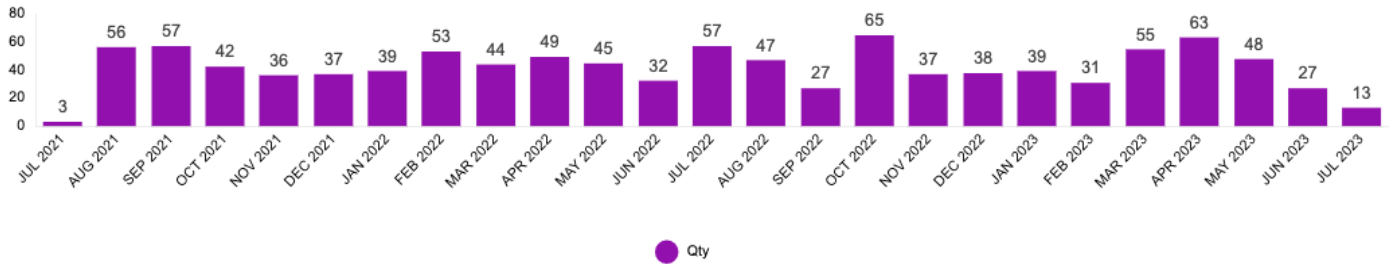
**Planned Activities & Tasks**

- Plan for the dedicated face-to-face workshop.

### Work-Plan Activity Metrics



### Mailman Activity









Health	Category	Action Item	Priority	Assigned To	Baseline Finish	Current Finish	Status	Notes
	WP	Meeting #82 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	05/18/23	05/18/23	Complete	
	AI	Leadership to draft text reflecting discussion with suggested recommendations for C4, C5, and C6. The EPDP Team's next conversation can focus on that draft text.	—	EPDP_IDN Leadership	07/28/23		In Progress	
	AI	Staff to forward to the EPDP Team the communication to the SSAC regarding next Thursday's call.	—	Policy Support Staff	05/23/23	05/23/23	Complete	
	AI	Staff to check on status of ICANN77 meeting schedule and when it will be posted publicly.	—	Policy Support Staff	05/23/23	05/23/23	Complete	
	WP	Meeting #83 C1, C2; SSAC Engagement	↓	EPDP_IDN	05/25/23	05/25/23	Complete	
	WP	Meeting #84 C1, C2, C3, C3a	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/01/23	06/01/23	Complete	
	AI	Leadership to draft text reflecting discussion with suggested recommendations for C1 and C2. The EPDP Team's next conversation can focus on that draft text.	—	EPDP_IDN Leadership	07/28/23		In Progress	
	AI	Ry and Rr members to the EPDP Team take the question about verifying same entity to the CPH TechOps Group. Also consider implications of resellers.	—	EPDP_IDN	06/29/23	06/15/23	Complete	
	WP	Meetings ICANN77 (Session 1) D4	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/12/23	06/12/23	Complete	
	AI	Check in with members regarding availability for F2F to help understand the ideal dates.	—	Policy Support Staff	06/12/23	07/07/23	Complete	
	WP	Meetings ICANN77 (Session 2) D4, D6, D7	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/13/23	06/13/23	Complete	
	WP	Meetings ICANN77 (Session 3) D4, D6, D7	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/14/23	06/14/23	Complete	
	WP	Meetings ICANN77 (Session 4) D4, D6, D7	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/15/23	06/15/23	Complete	
	WP	Meeting #85 Preview Preliminary Agreements; C4a	↓	EPDP_IDN	06/29/23	06/29/23	Complete	
	AI	Develop visual aid to assist in understanding impact of changes to the source domain.	—	Policy Support Staff	06/29/23	07/13/23	Complete	
	WP	Meeting #86 Review Preliminary Agreements (C4, C5, C6, C1, C2, D4, D6, D7)	↓	EPDP_IDN	07/06/23	07/06/23	Complete	
	MS	Submit project package to GNSO Council	!	Ariel Liang	07/10/23	07/10/23	Complete	
	WP	Meeting #87 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	07/13/23		In Progress	
	WP	Meeting #88 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	07/20/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #89 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	07/27/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #90 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	08/03/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #91 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	08/10/23		Not Started	
	MS	Submit project package to GNSO Council	!	Ariel Liang	08/14/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #92 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	08/17/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #93 ---Cancelled---	↓	EPDP_IDN	08/24/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #94 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	08/31/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #95 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	09/07/23		Not Started	
	MS	Submit project package to GNSO Council	!	Ariel Liang	09/11/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #96 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	09/14/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #97 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	09/21/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #98 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	09/28/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #99 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	10/05/23		Not Started	
	WP	Meeting #100 TBD	↓	EPDP_IDN	10/12/23		Not Started	
	MS	Submit project package to GNSO Council	!	Ariel Liang	10/15/23		Not Started	
	MS	Submission of Phase 1 Final Report to the GNSO Council	!	EPDP_IDN	11/03/23		Not Started	