

Policy Implementation Update

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Global Domains & Strategy



10 November 2024, 06:00-07:00 UTC / 09:00-10:00 TRT

Agenda

- 1. GDS Policy Implementation Update
- 2. Next Round Update

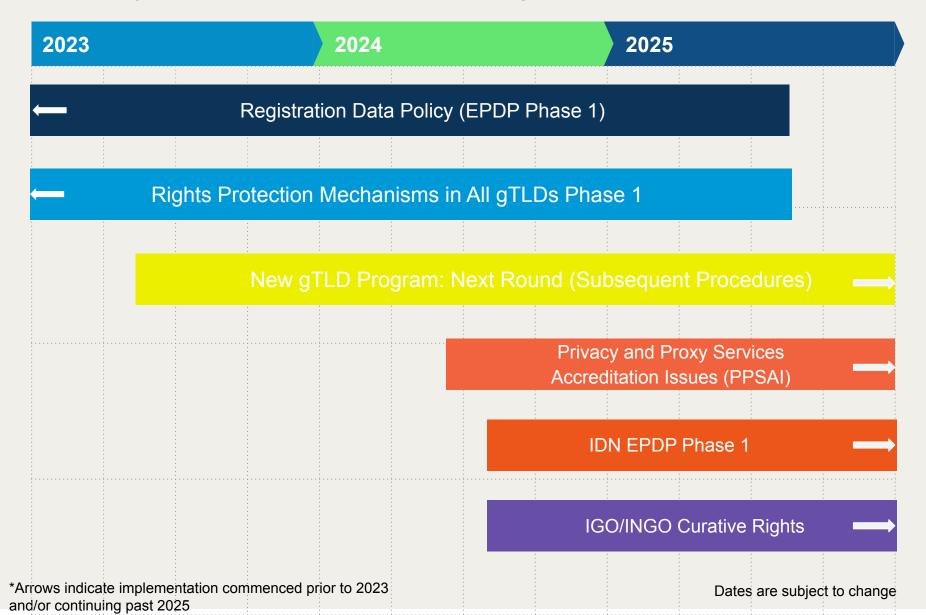


GDS Policy Implementation Update

Agenda Item #1



Policy Implementation Projects



Policy & Implementation Lifecycle - Supporting Work

Areas

GDS Liaisons

- Transfer PDP
- IDN EPDP Phase 2

Policy Status Reports

- Policy & Implementation
- Expiration Policies (June 2025)
- RPM Phase 2

Urgent Requests topic

Working Methods & Practices

- ODP community consultation
- CPIF evolution
- Board readiness



References

Consensus Policy Implementation Framework

https://www.icann.org/policy/implementation

ICANN81 PRSP Briefing

https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/prsp-pre-icann81-briefing-28oct24-en.pd
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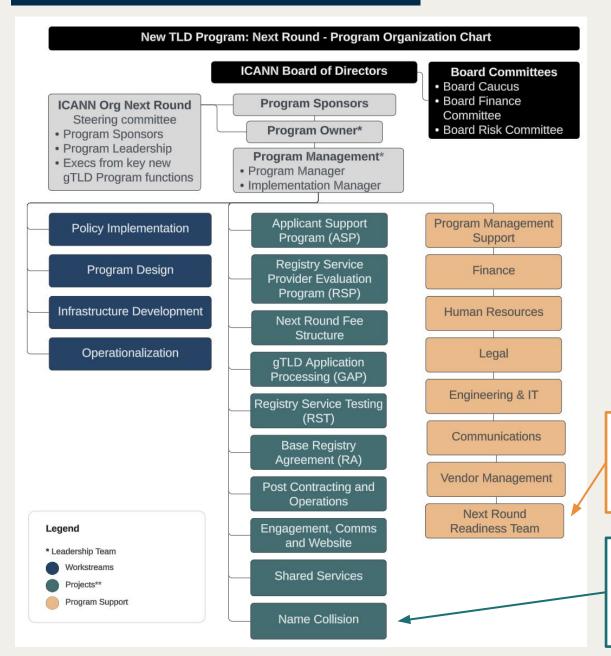
IRT Pages

- Registration Data Policy: <u>https://community.icann.org/display/RDPIRT/Registration+Data+Policy+Implementation</u>
- Rights Protection Mechanisms (RPM) Phase 1: https://community.icann.org/display/RPMIRT
- New gTLD Program: Next Round (SubPro): <u>https://community.icann.org/display/SPIR/Subsequent+Procedures+Implementation+Review+Team</u>
- Privacy & Proxy Services Accreditation Issues (PPSAI):
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- Internationalized Domain Names (IDN) Phase 1: https://community.icann.org/display/SPIR/IDN+%7C+Internationalized+Domain+Names



2 Next Round Update

2a Program Update



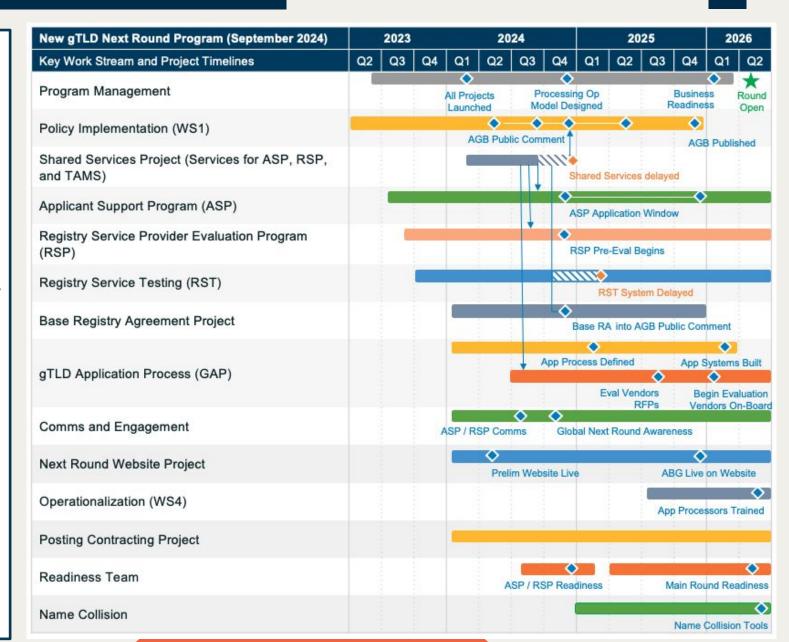
The Readiness Team was launched in July for applicant and internal ICANN organizational readiness

The name collision project was launched in September following the board decision on NCAP2

TIMELINE AS OF SEPTEMBER 2024

Timeline
Updates – 2
project delays
are noted with
no impacts to
ASP and RSP
launch or
processing
timelines:

- •Shared
 Services delay
 of 3 months,
 no significant
 impacts to
 projects given
 schedule
 contingency
- RST system delayed, no impact to RSP processing timeline



Key milestone and due date	Key dependencies for the Critical Path
RSP Launch – 19 Nov '24	 RSP Handbook and Fee Publishing - Complete RSP Application System - Due 19 Nov 2024 Registry Service Testing (RST) System - Due Mid-Mar 2024 Shared Services Tools - Due Q4 2024 New gTLD Program: Next Round Website - Complete
ASP Launch – 19 Nov '24	 ASP Handbook and Funding Plan - Complete ASP Application System - Due 19 Nov 2024 Shared Services Tools – Due Q4 2024 ASP Evaluation Vendor (SARP) - Due 20 Jan 2025 New gTLD Program: Next Round Website - Complete
Applicant Guide Book – Dec '25	 Board decisions re: contention resolution and outstanding advice items - Due 30 Nov 2024 CEP criteria finalized - Due 30 Nov 2024 Base Registry Agreement - Due Dec 2025 New gTLD Program: Next Round Website - Complete
Next Round Launch – April 2026	 Applicant Guide Book Published - Due Dec 2025 Evaluation Panelist Vendors - Various dates throughout 2025 and 2026 gTLD Application Management System (TAMS) - Due April 2026 Non-TAMS systems, including Name Collision - Due April 2026 Operationalization Staffing for Application Processors - Various dates leading up to April 2026 New gTLD Program: Next Round Website – 1st Phase Complete

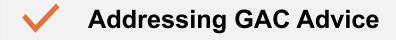
Overall Program Status (as of 30 October 2024)

The overall program status remains on-track, but schedule and resources are at risk due to ICANN staff resource bandwidth issues across the program, and schedule delays in RST and GAP.

Project	Overall	Scope	Schedule	Resources	Budget
Overall Program	•		Δ	Δ	
Program Management		•	•		
WS1 – Policy Implementation			•		
Applicant Support Program (ASP)	Δ	•	•	Δ	
Registry Service Provider Evaluation Program (RSP)	•	•	•	•	Δ
Registry Service Testing (RST)	•		•	•	
Fee Structure		•	•	•	
gTLD Application Processing Project (GAP)	Δ	Δ	Δ	•	•
Base Registry Agreement	•		_	Δ	
Engagement, Communications & Website	•	•	•	•	•
Shared Services Project for ASP, RSP, and GAP technology	•	•	•	•	•
Post Contracting					
Readiness Team			•		
Name Collision	•		•		

Highlights

- **Fee:** Confirmation of New gTLD Program: Next Round expected evaluation fee: US \$227,000.
- Registry Agreement: The base registry agreement updates continue to progress as the cross-functional team identifies changes needed to align Next Round policy requirements.
 - gTLD Application Processing (GAP): Scope, budget, and high-level timeline have been confirmed. The development of business requirements is in full speed, having completed more than 15+ sprints thus far. A total of 10 systems and 6 integrations to other existing systems have been identified as needing to be developed. Development work on the biggest system, the TLD Application Management System (TAMS), began in June.



Implementation Timeline

Applicant Support Program

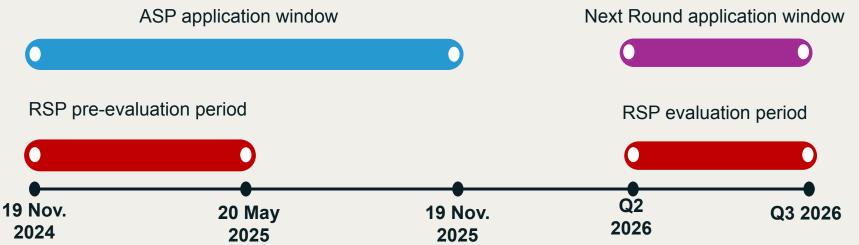
Application window opens 19 Nov. 2024;
 Closes 19 Nov. 2025

RSP Evaluation Program

- Pre-Evaluation period opens 19 Nov. 2024;
 Closes 20 May 2025
- Another evaluation period opens and closes during the Next Round application window

New gTLD Program: Next Round

 Application window expected to open April 2026 for 12-15 weeks



Dates are subject to change

Launch & Support Approach

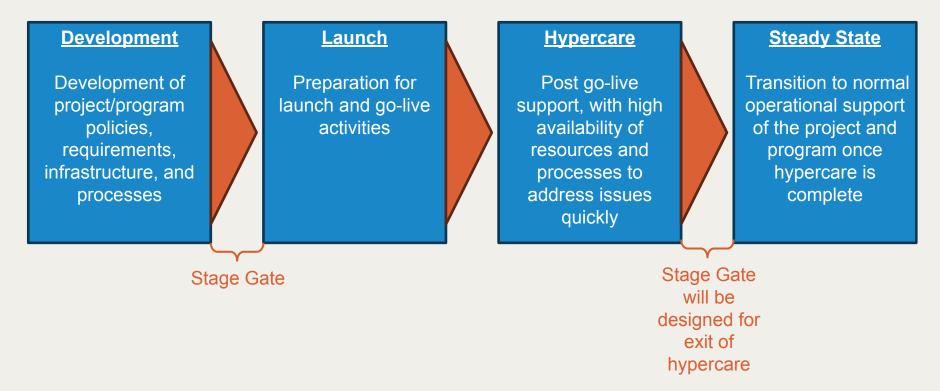
Scope of Launch and Support Approach



Purpose: Ensure ICANN Org is prepared to successfully launch and support the next round

Readiness: Alignment on the activities, roles, and performance requirements needed to successfully launch and support each program.

Phases of Work for Launch and Support



Stage Gate: A specific set of tasks and performance criteria to ensure readiness to proceed to the next phase of work which provides a framework for allocation of resources and time devoted to the project.

ASP & RSP: Key Activities Stage Gate to Launch

Oct 7-14

Scorecard

Project Team and
Core team
complete the
Stage Gate
scorecard,
highlighting areas
of concern or open
items to be
completed before
launch

Oct 14

Launch Stage Gate

Core Team
Meeting where the
results of the
scorecard are
reviewed, and
critical outstanding
items that need to
be completed
before launch are
reviewed

Nov 4

Go / No-Go #1

Core Team
Meeting where
voting for
Go/No-Go occurs

Nov 6-8

System Soft Launch

E&IT moves systems to production, completes set up, and performs production validation activities **Nov 18**

Go/ No-Go #2

Core Team
Meeting where
final Go/No-Go
decision is made,
review of
resolution of
outstanding items
from scorecard,
final prep for
launch

Nov 19

Launch

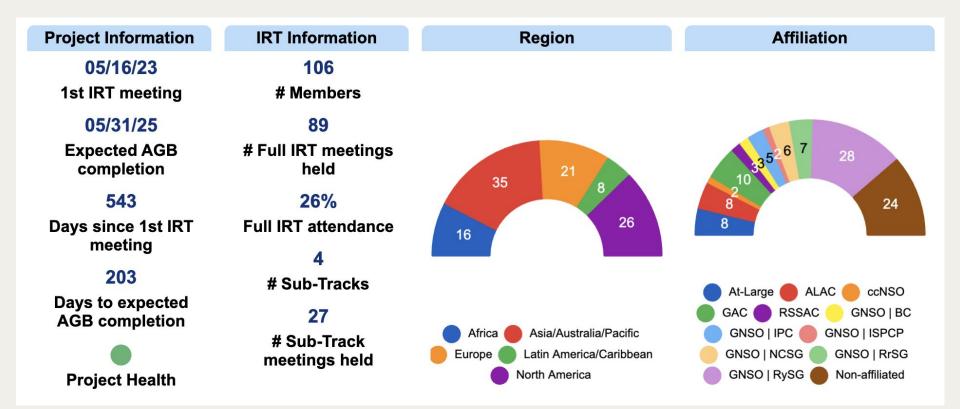
ASP and RSP launch, command center set up to address issues or problems

Weekly check in meetings with the core team to review and resolve any critical open issues before launch

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Applicant Guidebook Update

IRT Information



Past Public Comments

Public Comment #1

1 February-19 March 2024

10 public comment received

Topics

- Predictability Framework
- Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Guidelines
- Conflicts of Interest Process for Vendors and Subcontractors
- Applicant Freedom of Expression
- Universal Acceptance
- Reserved and Blocked Names
- Geographic Names

Public Comment #2

10 September-21 October 2024

12 public comments received

Topics

- Subsequent Application Rounds
- Background Screening
- String Similarity Review
- Internationalized Domain Names
- Dispute Resolution Procedures After Delegation
- Registrar-Non-Discrimination / Registry/Registrar Standardization
- Registrar Support for New gTLDs
- Root Zone Label Generation Rules
- Closed Generics

Applicant Guidebook Timeline



Upcoming Public Comments | Dec 2024 & Jan 2025

Topic	Status/Discussion with IRT
20. Application Change Requests 30. GAC Consensus Advice and GAC Early Warning	Updates to the language might be required
Data Policy DNS Stability 26. Security and Stability	Language ready for Public Comment
 4. Different TLD Types 5. Applications Submission Limits 9. Registry Voluntary Commitments / Public Interest Commitments 16. Applications Submission Period 19. Application Queuing 27. Applicant Reviews 31. Objections 32. Limited Challenge/Appeal Mechanism 34. Community Applications 	Language currently being discussed with IRT
Post-contracting 18. Terms and Conditions 15. Application Fees 29. Name Collisions	November 2024

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Next Round Sessions at ICANN81 and Beyond

Next Round Sessions at ICANN81

Session	Topic	Date	Time	Room	Links
Subsequent Procedures IRT (1 of 5)	Base Registry Agreement	9-Nov-24	06:00-07:00 UTC 09:00-10:00 TRT	Emirgan 2	Agenda Schedule
Subsequent Procedures IRT (2 of 5)	Base Registry Agreement	9-Nov-24	07:30-09:00 UTC 10:30-12:00 TRT	Emirgan 2	Agenda Schedule
Subsequent Procedures IRT (3 of 5)	Contention Set Resolution	9-Nov-24	10:15-11:30 UTC 13:15-14:30 TRT	Emirgan 2	Agenda Schedule
GNSO Working Session 1 of 2		10-Nov-24	06:00-07:00 UTC 09:00-10:00 TRT	Emirgan 2	<u>Schedule</u>
GAC Discussion on New gTLD Program Next Round (1/2)		10-Nov-24	07:30-09:00 UTC 10:30-12:00 TRT	Beyazit	Schedule
GAC Discussion on New gTLD Program Next Round (2/2)		10-Nov-24	10:15-11:30 UTC 13:15-14:30 TRT	Beyazit	Schedule
SubPro IDN IRT Sub-Track		11-Nov-24	10:15-11:30 UTC 13:15-14:30 TRT	Yildiz 1	Agenda Schedule
At-Large Plenary 2: Cross Community Collaboration to deliver the new gTLD Program Next Round that we all want		12-Nov-24	07:30-09:00 UTC 10:30-12:00 TRT	Emirgan 1	<u>Schedule</u>
ALAC Community Engagement Sub Committee		12-Nov-24	10:15-11:30 UTC 13:15-14:30 TRT	Emirgan	Schedule
SSAC Discussion on Name Analysis Group and New gTLDs		12-Nov-24	12:00-13:00 UTC 15:00-16:00 TRT	3B01	<u>Schedule</u>
Subsequent Procedures IRT (4 of 5)	Community Priority Evaluation	13-Nov-24	13:30-14:30 UTC 16:30-17:30 TRT	Macka 1	Agenda Schedule
Subsequent Procedures IRT (5 of 5)	Outreach and Engagement	14-Nov-24	06:00-07:00 UTC 09:00-10:00 TRT	Emirgan 2	Agenda Schedule

Upcoming IRT Meetings

#	Date	Time UTC	Торіс	Wiki
8	11-Nov-24	10.15-11:30	IDN Sub-Track	https://community.icann.org/x/L4ADFg
90	13-Nov-24	13:30-14:30	CPE	https://community.icann.org/x/GYADFg
91	14-Nov-24	06:00-07:00	Outreach and Engagement	https://community.icann.org/x/IIADFg
93	21-Nov-24	05:00-06:00		https://community.icann.org/x/ZwEiFg
9	21-Nov-24	13:00-14:30	IDN Sub-Track	https://community.icann.org/x/KAAiFg
95	03-Dec-24	13:00-14:30	36. Base Registry Agreement	https://community.icann.org/x/8wAiFg
95a	04-Dec -24	05:00-06:00		https://community.icann.org/x/wQEfFw
10	05-Dec-24	13:00-14:00	IDN Sub-Track	https://community.icann.org/x/NQAiFg
96	05-Dec-24	19:00-20:00		https://community.icann.org/x/dQEiFg
97	10-Dec-24	13:00-14:30	36. Base Registry Agreement	https://community.icann.org/x/_gAiFg
98	12-Dec-24	19:00-20:00	36. Base Registry Agreement	https://community.icann.org/x/fAEiFg
99	17-Dec-24	13:00-15:00		https://community.icann.org/x/gwEiFg
11	18-Dec-24	13:00-14:00	IDN Sub-Track	https://community.icann.org/x/QgAiFg
99a	18-Dec-24	19:00-20:30	36. Base Registry Agreement	https://community.icann.org/x/NAEfFw
100	19-Dec-24	19:00-21:00	36. Base Registry Agreement	https://community.icann.org/x/igEiFg

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