

ICANN update @ PacNOG 31



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Overview

1. Next round of new generic Top-Level Domains (gTLD)
2. Universal Acceptance
3. DNS Security
 - DNSSEC zone signing at ccTLD registry level
 - Validation by ISPs and network operators
4. Registration Data Request Service
5. Get involved

ICANN's Mission

The mission of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is to **ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems**

Specifically, ICANN:

-  Coordinates the allocation and assignment of names in the root zone of the Domain Name System
-  Coordinates the development and implementation of policies concerning the registration of second-level domain names in generic top-level domains (gTLDs)
-  Facilitates the coordination of the operation and evolution of the DNS root name server system
-  Coordinates the allocation and assignment at the top-most level of Internet Protocol numbers and Autonomous System numbers
-  Collaborates with other bodies as appropriate to provide registries needed for the functioning of the Internet as specified by Internet protocol standards development organizations

1. Next generic Top Level Domain Program

- Recap: Last application round of new gTLD was between Jan – April 2012
 - 1930 applications submitted
 - Over 1200 gTLD delegation – introduced into the Internet
- Next round for new gTLD Program – coming soon.
 - An opportunity to manage and run a TLD registry if meaningful for you
 - Discussions ongoing at ICANN

2. Universal Acceptance

All domain names should be treated equally.

Including:



Accept



Validate



Process



Store



Display

UA Call to Action

For Businesses:

- Organize internally and assess if your business' systems are compliant with UA standards.
- Update your own IT systems to be UA-ready. See [UASG026](#) UA-Readiness Framework, [UASG004](#) test cases, and [code samples](#).

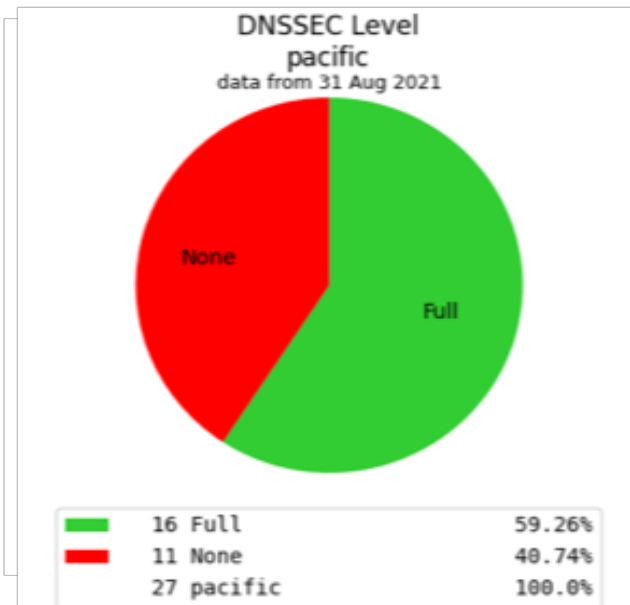
For Governments:

- Evaluate the possibility of including [UA requirements](#) in government procurements.
- Coordinate with your national ccTLD managers and ICANN Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC) delegates to participate in and strengthen UA-related actions.

For Academia:

- Upgrade email systems to support Email Address Internationalization (EAI).
- Update IT curricula to include teaching and learning of UA and software internationalization related concepts.

3. DNSSEC in the region



**16 ccTLDs (60%)
implemented DNSSEC in the
Oceania sub-region:**

AU	CC	CX	FM
FJ	KI	NC	NZ
NU	NF	PW	SB
TV	VU	WF	WS

***Our other Ask: Resolver operators in the region, please enable DNSSEC validation**

<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/dnssec-what-is-it-why-important-2019-03-05-en>

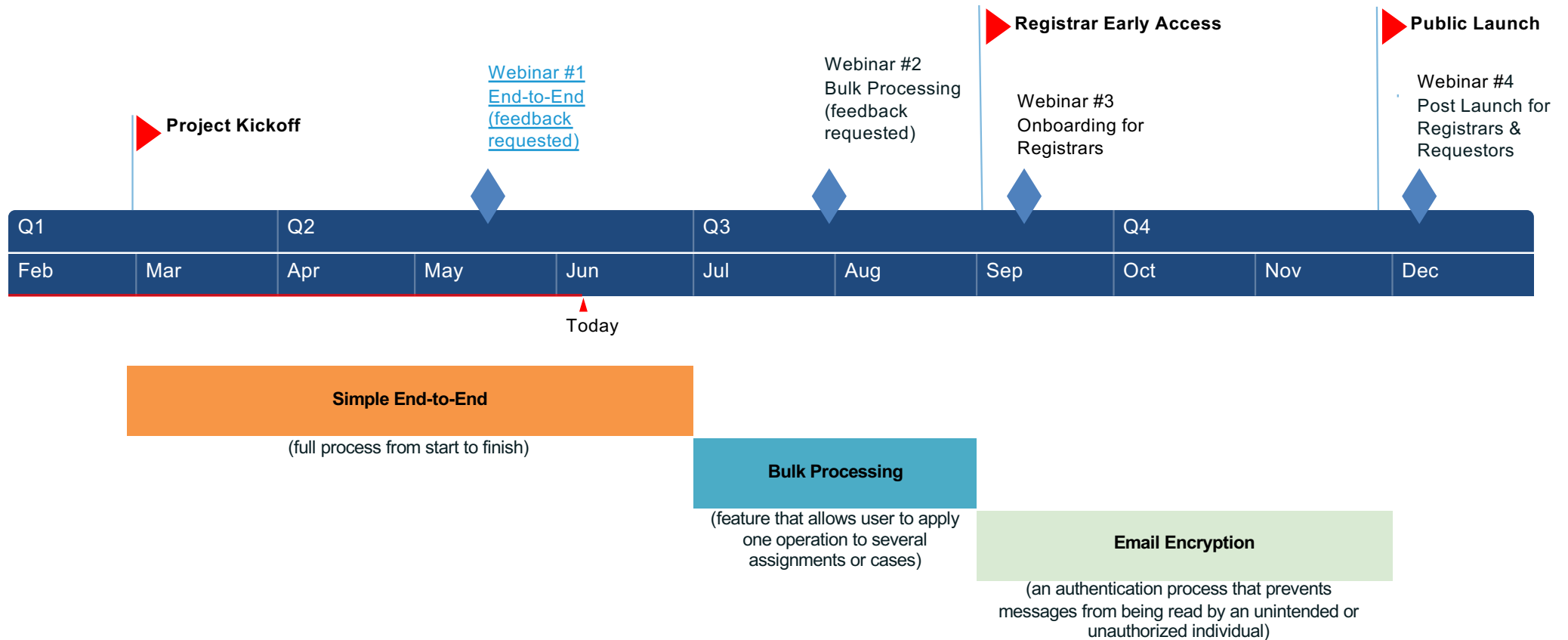
4. The Registration Data Request Service

- A proof of concept service that will handle requests for access to nonpublic registration data related to gTLDs.
- Connects requestors seeking disclosure of nonpublic registration data with the relevant ICANN-accredited registrars for gTLD domain names who are participating in the service.
- Use of the system by ICANN-accredited registrars is **voluntary**.

Why Is It Being Developed?

- The new service is intended to gather usage and demand data that can inform the ICANN Board's consideration of the consensus policy recommendations related to a System for Standardized Access/Disclosure, and ongoing consultations with the Generic Names Supporting Organization Council.
- ICANN org will collect the relevant usage data for up to two years.
- The usage data will be shared publicly and be reviewed by the ICANN Board and community before a determination is made on next steps.

High Level Timeline



5. Get Involved and Informed



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