ISPCP Feedback on Proposed Dates for ICANN Public Meetings 2021–2023

The Internet Service Provider and Connectivity Providers Constituency (ISPCP) welcomes the opportunity to submit comments on the Proposed Dates for ICANN Public Meetings 2021-2023. This document indicates which of the proposed dates would be acceptable and unacceptable for the proposed ICANN Public Meetings to be held in 2021, 2022, and 2023 considering the matters of travel, full attendance, and other matters of coordination

<u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of this public comment proceeding is to solicit and collect feedback from the community on the proposed dates for ICANN Public Meetings to be held in 2021, 2022, and 2023. This notice gives the community an opportunity to identify potential conflicts before ICANN posts the official dates. It also gives participants enough time to plan their travel and attendance.

<u>Status:</u> The Meetings and Global Stakeholder Engagement Teams worked together to select preliminary dates for ICANN Public Meetings for 2021, 2022, and 2023. These proposed dates are now available for public review and comment from the community. Comments close in 7 days. Please find an attachment with a broader review of dates considered or events planned for those dates.

<u>Next Steps:</u> After the public comment period closes, ICANN will review comments and re-evaluate the dates and if needed, make changes. ICANN cannot accommodate every request, but is committed to avoiding conflicts with holidays and community events. The final step is for ICANN to publish the official ICANN Public Meeting dates for 2021, 2022, and 2023.

Section I: Description and Explanation

ICANN attempts to post dates for our triannual Public Meetings at least five years in advance. In selecting dates for meetings from 2021 to 2023, we take care to avoid scheduling conflicts with:

- Global, national, and religious holidays
- Community events

Proposed Dates for ICANN Public Meetings:

2021	Proposed Dates
ICANN70 Community Forum	20-25 March 2021
ICANN71 Policy Forum	28 June – July 2021
ICANN72 Annual General Meeting	23-29 October 2021
2022	Proposed Dates
ICANN73 Community Forum	5-10 March 2022
ICANN74 Policy Forum	20-23 June 2022
ICANN75 Annual General Meeting	15-21 October 2022

2023	Proposed Dates
ICANN76 Community Forum	25-30 March 2023
ICANN77 Policy Forum	19-22 June 2023
ICANN78 Annual General Meeting	21-27 October 2023

Section II: Background

The Meeting Strategy Working Group (MSWG) recommendations, which the ICANN Board adopted in June 2014, defined the focus and length of ICANN's triannual meetings:

- First meeting: Community Forum six (6) days
- Second meeting: Policy Forum four (4) days
- Third meeting: Annual General Meeting seven (7) days

Goals for selecting meeting dates:

- Maximize the quality of participation through global rotation of locations, remote participation, translation, outreach, and newcomer onboarding.
- Avoid conflicts with community events and globally recognized non-working or religious observance days.
- Schedule meetings, as much as possible, on recognized working days (Monday through Thursday).
- Rotate meeting locations so that in a period of five years, each geographic region hosts three meetings.
- Maintain a transparent process and solicit community feedback on the proposed dates.

Final Matters of Support, Clarification, or Concern

The ISPCP expresses appreciation for the opportunity to submit these comments. Further, the constituents understand that not all requests can be met.