

NCUC Policy Issues Forum - ICANN 79

The NCSG/NCUC Issue Forum

This workshop provides a forum in which members of the non commercial group can debate and discuss key Internet governance issues related to ICANN today. Join representatives of NCSG / NCUC , the ICANN board, domain name registries, other ICANN communities members and end users in an informative look at some of the key issues under consideration in ICANN 79.

ICANN and Human Rights: A Collision Course or Collaborative Compass?

Session Description:

In an increasingly interconnected world, the internet has become the new frontier for human rights expression, access, and protection. Yet, at the helm of this digital domain sits the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), an enigmatic entity responsible for overseeing the internet's core infrastructure. Is ICANN a gatekeeper to a free and open internet, or a choke point where human rights can be infringed upon? This 60-minute panel discussion will delve into the complex intersection of ICANN and human rights, exploring the challenges and opportunities this relationship presents.

Objective of the session

1. Showcase the progress of the CCWP HRIA efforts
2. Provide an updated definition of human rights sensitization in ICANN PDPs
3. Equip NCUC/NCSG members to understand Human Rights awareness and capacity building during their engagement in the ICANN policy development process.

Suggested speakers

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