WHAT ARE THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY POWERS?



The Empowered Community has nine powers to ensure the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) **Board and organization are accountable:**

> **Reject Standard Bylaw Amendments**





Reject Public Technical Identifiers (PTI) Governance Actions

Reject ICANN Budgets, Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Budgets, Operating **Plans and Strategic Plans**



The rights of inspection and investigation





Approve Fundamental Bylaw Amendments, Articles Amendments and Asset Sales





Recall the entire ICANN Board

Initiate a Community Reconsideration Request, mediation or a Community **Independent Review Process**





Appoint and remove individual **ICANN Board directors (other than** the President)



Require the ICANN Board to re-review its rejection of recommendations from reviews relating to PTI

HOW DOES THE EMPOWERED COMMUNITY USE THEIR POWERS?

The Empowered Community has a process to raise concerns with an action or inaction made by the ICANN Board or organization. This escalation process gives ICANN's Supporting Organizations (SOs) and Advisory Committees (ACs) opportunities to discuss solutions with the ICANN Board.

Seven Core Steps in the Escalation Process



What is the Empowered Community?

The Empowered Community is the mechanism through which ICANN's SOs and ACs can organize under California law to legally enforce community powers. The community powers and rules that govern the Empowered Community are defined in the ICANN Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.



Who can participate in the Empowered Community?

All of ICANN's SOs, as well as the At-Large and Governmental ACs, can participate in the Empowered Community including: the Generic Names Supporting Organization, the Country Code Names Supporting Organization, the Address Supporting Organization, the Governmental Advisory Committee and the At-Large Advisory Committee.

