# Europe Regional Report

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# Year at a Glance — Timeline

**2020**

**7 October**

**IGF Italia**, supported by ICANN, broke all records for national Internet Governance Forum (IGF) attendance with over 5,000 registered participants on Zoom.

**28 October**

Christopher Mondini, Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement-Europe and Managing Director, Brussels, was a panelist during the Europe Network Readiness and Digital Transformation Spotlight webinar.

**17 November**

Adam Peake, Civil Society Engagement Senior Manager, of Amsterdam, Netherlands, was appointed to the IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group.

**2021**

**27 January**

ICANN held the '**Stakeholder Assembly: ICANN Perspectives on EU Digital Initiatives**' to provide an overview of areas where EU legislative and regulatory initiatives make mention of, or potentially affect, the Domain Name System.

**22 February**

Mondini was elected to the European Internet Forum (EIF) Board.

**26 February**

ICANN held the '**Stakeholder Assembly: Briefing by the European Commission on the Recent EU Initiatives on Digital Services and Cybersecurity**' focusing on the areas of relevance to the DNS and the broader ICANN community.

**3 March**

ICANN in cooperation with DK Hostmaster and the Transport and Communications Agency (Traficom) organized the Nordic Region Technical Workshop: ICANN Technical Functions.

**25 March**

ICANN President and CEO Göran Marby **addressed** the European Internet Foundation (EIF), as part of that organization's 'Meet the CEO' series.

**9 April**

The European Regional At-Large Organization (EURALO) launched their ICANN public meetings' Readout Series in multiple languages and held ICANN70 'read-outs' in French, Spanish and Russian.

**13 April**

The Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME) invited ICANN to give a **series of lectures** throughout the month.

**27 May**

ICANN and the eco-Association of Internet Industry in Germany hosted a workshop on DNS Ecosystem Security.

# Regional Highlights

**School of Internet Governance, Digital Policies, and Innovation**



ICANN co-organized with the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (**SNSPA**) in Bucharest, Romania and the South Eastern European Dialogue on Internet Governance (**SEEDIG**), the 2nd edition of **SIDI** (School on Internet Governance, Digital Policies and Innovation). The event took place from 31 May to 11 June 2021 in a virtual format.

The school gathered 30 graduate students and professionals from 15 countries for a two-week, intensive course tackling all the layers of the Internet stack, applications, regulations, and policies. SIDI's faculty was a mix of academics, high-ranking representatives of international and intergovernmental organizations, members of parliament, and experts from think-tanks, civil society and industry. One highlight was a lecture by ICANN President and CEO Göran Marby on the future of Internet development.

**Workshop on ICANN's Technical Mission for the Nordic Region**



On 3 March 2021, ICANN held an online workshop on its technical mission for the five Nordic countries Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. This was the first time ICANN produced an event targeted for this region specifically, though invitations were extended to anyone who wished to participate, regardless of regional location.

The workshop explained ICANN's core role in an approachable and informative way to stakeholders who may already have been familiar with ICANN, but still didn't fully understand how ICANN's technical work affects their presence and experience online.

Besides learning about ICANN's role in the technical functions of the Internet, participants learned about ICANN projects to strengthen the Domain Name System, and why the participation of stakeholders is key to ICANN's work.

The workshop attracted about 150 people. Feedback delivered through an online survey following the event showed that a vast majority of the respondents (81%) were happy with the workshop, whilst 93% indicated that they would be interested in participating in a similar workshop in the future.

# Capacity-Development Activities in Europe

**TRAINING FOR
TECHNICAL COMMUNITY**

*Due to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, ICANN org was unable to organize any specific training for the technical community members during this fiscal year.*

**TRAINING FOR
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**

*ICANN org provides training for law enforcement agencies so that they can better handle abuse and misuse related to Internet identifiers.*

**TRAINING FOR
NONTECHNICAL COMMUNITY**

*The org also regularly helps to build capacity for the community such as accredited registrars and registry operators. In addition, ICANN org engaged with government and civil society for training that is relevant to these sectors.*

**Total number of workshops in FY21:**

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# 2

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# 6

**Total number of workshops in FY20:**

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## Europe Community Leaders

For the list of Supporting Organization and Advisory Committees leaders, please refer to ICANN's **FY21 Annual Report**, page 109.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES

**Janis Karklins** – EPDP Phase 2, Chair
**Erika Mann** – CCWG New gTLD Auction Proceeds Cross-Community Working Group, Co-Chair
**Petter Rindforth** – PDP Curative Rights Protections for IGO/INGOs, Chair
**Thomas Rickert** – Protection of International Organization Names in All gTLDs, Chair
**Cathrin Bauer-Bulst** – GAC Public Safety Working Group, Co-Chair

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