

**COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT AND INDEPENDENT REVIEW PROCESSES
STATUS UPDATE – 26 October 2023**

ACTIVE COOPERATIVE ENGAGEMENT PROCESS (CEP) PROCEEDINGS¹

Request Date	Requestor(s)	Subject Matter
3-Mar-2023	Namecheap, Inc.	.INFO and .ORG Registry Agreement renewals

¹ The Cooperative Engagement Process (CEP) is a process voluntarily invoked by a complainant prior to the filing of an Independent Review Process (IRP) for the purpose of resolving or narrowing the issues that are contemplated to be brought to the IRP. (See Bylaws, Art. 4 § 4.3(e).) The requesting party may invoke the CEP by providing written notice to ICANN, noting the invocation of the process, identifying the Board action(s) at issue, identifying the provisions of the ICANN Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation that are alleged to be violated, and designating a single point of contact for the resolution of the issue. Further information regarding the CEP is available at: <https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/cep-11apr13-en.pdf>.

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ACTIVE INDEPENDENT REVIEW PROCESS (IRP) PROCEEDINGS²

Date ICANN Received Notice of IRP	Date IRP Commenced by ICDR	Requestor	Subject Matter	Status
1-Jun-2021	9-Jun-2021	GCCIX, W.L.L. https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/irp-gccix-v-icann-2021-07-26-en	.GCC	<u>Panel Selection:</u> Full Panel confirmed on 28 January 2022. <u>Materials:</u> Written submissions, Declaration(s), and Scheduling Order(s) are posted here . <u>Hearing(s):</u> No hearings are currently scheduled.
14-Jul-2023	21-July-2023	Altanovo Domains Limited https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/irp-altanovo-v-icann-2023-10-26-en	.WEB	<u>Panel Selection:</u> Panel selection is in process. <u>Materials:</u> Written submissions, Declaration(s), and Scheduling Order(s) are posted here . <u>Hearing(s):</u> No hearings are currently scheduled.

² IRP is intended to hear and resolve Disputes for the following purposes: (i) ensure that ICANN does not exceed the scope of its Mission and otherwise complies with its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; (ii) empower the global Internet community and Claimants to enforce compliance with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws through meaningful, affordable and accessible expert review of Covered Actions (as defined in § 4.3(b)(i)); (iii) ensure that ICANN is accountable to the global Internet community and Claimants; (iv) address claims that ICANN has failed to enforce its rights under the IANA Naming Function Contract (as defined in Section 16.3(a)); (v) provide a mechanism by which direct customers of the IANA naming functions may seek resolution of PTI (as defined in Section 16.1) service complaints that are not resolved through mediation; (vi) reduce Disputes by creating precedent to guide and inform the Board, Officers (as defined in Section 15.1), Staff members, Supporting Organizations, Advisory Committees, and the global Internet community in connection with policy development and implementation; (vii) secure the accessible, transparent, efficient, consistent, coherent, and just resolution of Disputes; (viii) lead to binding, final resolutions consistent with international arbitration norms that are enforceable in any court with proper jurisdiction; and (ix) provide a mechanism for the resolution of Disputes, as an alternative to legal action in the civil courts of the United States or other jurisdictions. (See Bylaws, Art. 4, § 4.3)

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RECENTLY CLOSED INDEPENDENT REVIEW PROCESS (IRP) PROCEEDINGS

Date ICANN Received Notice of IRP	Date IRP Commenced by ICDR	Requestor(s)	Subject Matter	Date IRP Closed	Date of Board Consideration of IRP Panel’s Final Declaration³
25-Feb-2020	26-Feb-2020	Namecheap, Inc. https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/irp-namecheap-v-icann-2020-03-03-en	.BIZ, .INFO, .ORG	23-Dec-2022	21-Jan-2023 (See here) 11-Jun-2023 (See here)
8-Nov-2019	16-Dec-2019	Fegistry, LLC, Minds + Machines Group, Ltd., Radix Domain Solutions Pte. Ltd., and Domain Ventures Partners PCC Limited https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/irp-fegistry-et-al-v-icann-hotel-2019-12-20-en	.HOTEL	18-Oct-2023	N/A (IRP Withdrawn by Requestor)

³ Pursuant to Article 4, § 4.3(x)(iii)(A) of the ICANN Bylaws, “[w]here feasible, the Board shall consider its response to IRP Panel decisions at the Board’s next meeting, and shall affirm or reject compliance with the decision of the public record based on an expressed rationale. The decision by the IRP Panel, or en banc Standing Panel, shall be final regardless of such Board action, to the fullest extent allowed by law.” (<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/governance/bylaws-en/#article4>)