



Dear Domain Name Industry Stakeholder:

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is inviting you to participate in a webinar that will explain the proposed amendments to the Registrar Accreditation Agreement (RAA) and base Generic Top-Level Domains (gTLD) Registry Agreement (Base RA) related to DNS Abuse. In the webinar, ICANN will provide an overview of the voting processes and procedures, and take questions to ensure each registrar and registry has the information needed to participate in the vote. Webinar registration and additional details are provided below.

In January 2023, the ICANN organization (org) responded to requests from the [Registrar Stakeholder Group \(RrSG\)](#) and [Registries Stakeholder Group \(RySG\)](#) to formally initiate the process to amend the RAA and Base RA to strengthen the existing obligations related to DNS Abuse. The proposed amendments are the result of bilateral negotiations between ICANN org and a negotiating team composed of RrSG and RySG representatives. The proposed amendments strengthen the existing obligations in the RAA and the Base RA by requiring registrars and registry operators to promptly take reasonable and appropriate action to stop or otherwise disrupt DNS Abuse. For the purposes of the proposed amendments, DNS Abuse means malware, botnets, phishing, pharming, and spam (when spam serves as a delivery mechanism for the other forms of DNS Abuse). The proposed amendments are available for review here:

- [Proposed Amendment to RAA](#)
- [Proposed Amendment to Base RA](#)

In addition to the proposed amendments, ICANN org has also developed a [draft ICANN Advisory](#) that would come into effect if the proposed amendments are approved. The draft Advisory was developed in consultation with the negotiating teams from the RrSG and RySG. It aims to further explain the new requirements, and provides relevant examples to set expectations for compliance.

For additional information and reference materials, please visit the [2024 Global Amendment webpage](#).

**Webinar:** 21 September 2023 from 15:00–16:30 UTC

**Registration link:** [https://icann.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_QAXHtNWHQw22H0D\\_MXWBPA](https://icann.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QAXHtNWHQw22H0D_MXWBPA)

This webinar will provide real-time translation in Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. Webinar recordings by language will be posted on the 2024 Global Amendment webpage. If you have questions about the webinars, please contact [globalsupport@icann.org](mailto:globalsupport@icann.org).

Sincerely,

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