

ICANN's Mission

The mission of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN):
Ensure stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems
(i.e. domain names, IP addresses, protocol parameters)

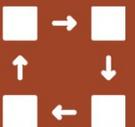
To do this, ICANN:

-  Coordinates the allocation and assignment of names in the root zone of the Domain Name System
-  Coordinates the development and implementation of policies concerning the registration of second-level domain names in generic top-level domains (gTLDs)
-  Facilitates the coordination of the operation and evolution of the DNS root name server system
-  Coordinates the allocation and assignment at the top-most level of Internet Protocol numbers and Autonomous System numbers
-  Collaborates with other bodies as appropriate to provide registries needed for the functioning of the Internet as specified by Internet protocol standards development organizations

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In performing its mission, ICANN's commitments and core values include:

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1 Preserving and enhancing **stability, security, resiliency,** and **openness** of the DNS and the Internet
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2 Employing **open, transparent** and **bottom-up,** multistakeholder policy development processes that are led by the private sector
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3 Operating with **efficiency** and **excellence,** in a fiscally responsible and accountable manner