

Review of Reviews Cross Community Group (Reviews CCG) | Draft Purpose of Reviews Statement - 21 October 2025

The purpose of reviews is to assess whether ICANN is fulfilling its Mission, Commitments and Core Values as set out in the ICANN Bylaws in a transparent and accountable manner, by reviewing:

a) ICANN's execution of its commitments in its Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Strategic Plan and Financial and Operational Plan, namely that:

- ICANN's activities, processes and culture remain consistent with its mission, commitments and values
- Board, Officers and senior management remain accountable to the global multistakeholder community (Empowered Community)
- ICANN is meeting its stated goals and objectives
- ICANN is maintaining and where necessary improving robust mechanisms for public input, inclusiveness, accountability and transparency
- Outcomes of ICANN's decision making are in the public interest, transparent, and accountable to the global multistakeholder community (Empowered Community) in accordance with the IANA Stewardship Transition
- Communication channels are effective and accessible, and decisions and outcomes are reported clearly and openly
- ICANN duly takes into account the public policy advice of governments and public authorities

b) The results of the SO/AC/NC Continuous Improvement Program as they relate to each SO/AC/NC and to each other

c) Whether the overall structure and components of ICANN and its SOs, ACs and NC are fit for purpose

d) Whether the ongoing reviews in the future are fit for purpose

So as to, where necessary, recommend improvements or paths toward improvement for any problematic issues found in the reviews, to the Board and Empowered Community.