

Summary and Analysis of public comments for:

Proposed ICANN Meeting Dates 2011 - 2013

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1. BACKGROUND

While ICANN continues to examine the overall structure of the Meetings and conferences it conducts, including the number, type and geographic rotation, it is important to identify and publish proposed dates for ICANN Meetings through 2013. Publishing the Meeting dates is important to prevent conflicts with other community events, as well as to allow ICANN Meeting participants to plan for their attendance.

The proposed dates were selected based on careful avoidance of important holidays, celebrations, and observances around the globe. Similarly, every effort was made to identify and prevent scheduling conflicts with other community events. Staff recommendations were then developed for review by members of the ICANN Public Participation Committee, and subsequently published for a 30-day public comment period.

Work is underway to develop a proposal on the structure, scheduling and geographic rotation of future ICANN Meetings and conferences for review by the ICANN Board Public Participation Committee at the October 2009 ICANN Meeting in Seoul.

2. SUMMARY & ANALYSIS

As of the 14 August deadline, six (6) community submissions had been made to this comment forum.

Public comment recommendations to avoid the Hindu religious observances of Dasara and Diwali/Deepavali, as well as the Canadian holiday of Thanksgiving in October 2011 were taken into consideration when developing the final recommended dates below.

ICANN MEETING DATES / GEOGRAPHIC ROTATION 2011 — 2012 — 2013	
2011	
13-18 March 2011	No. 40 North America (Tentative)
19-24 June 2011	No. 41 Asia (Tentative)
23-28 October 2011	No. 42 Africa (Tentative)
2012	
11-16 March 2012	No. 43 Latin America (Tentative)
24-29 June 2012	No. 44 Europe (Tentative)
14-19 October 2012	No. 45 North America (Tentative)
2013	
07-12 April 2013	No. 46 Asia (Tentative)
14-19 July 2013	No. 47 Africa (Tentative)
17-22 November 2013	No. 48 Latin America (Tentative)

3. NEXT STEPS

Based on the comments in this forum and from other sources, the Staff will recommend that the Board accept the dates of Meetings to be held in 2011, 2012 and 2013.

The Board is likely to consider all the relevant community input and move forward with decisions regarding the proposed Meeting dates during the Board Meeting on 27 August 2009.