

SUBSEQUENT APPLICATION ROUND

ICANN is committed to subsequent rounds of new gTLDs taking place at regular and predictable intervals.

The ICANN Board will determine the specific timing of future rounds and will start discussing to identify the timing as soon as the the following criteria have been met:

1. The list of applied-for strings for the ongoing round has been confirmed and the window for string change requests has closed. This will provide applicants in a subsequent round with an understanding of which strings can be applied for.
2. ICANN org is operationally prepared to receive and process a new batch of applications.

In making its decision to instruct ICANN org to open a subsequent round, the Board may also take into account the timing and scope of any ongoing policy development processes related to generic top-level domains.