14 Feb 2025

Nicolas Caballero
Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee

Subject: Your letter of 11 December regarding Outreach and Engagement

Dear Nicolas,

Thank you for your [letter](#) of 11 December and for the Governmental Advisory Committee's (GAC) continued support for the outreach and engagement efforts for the Applicant Support Program (ASP).

The conveners of the Implementation Review Team (IRT) meetings dedicated to this topic invite GAC members and leaders of the SO/AC structures to participate, via postings to your mailing lists. These meetings are a monthly opportunity to review progress, explain upcoming plans, and receive crucial feedback and guidance from the ICANN community. The next sessions will be held on:

20 February 2025 at 19:00-20:00 UTC
13 March 2025 at 23:00-00:00 UTC (during ICANN82)

In addition, as you requested, we have placed the recordings of IRT reports, dashboards depicted in slide decks, and related information in a dedicated section on the New gTLD Program: Next Round Reports webpage. The section is titled *SubPro IRT Updates: Outreach, Engagement, and Communications*. It can be found at this URL:

https://newgtldprogram.icann.org/en/reports

Regarding your reminder to consult and engage fully with GAC members, I can confirm that each regional VP is in communication with GAC members on a regular basis to confer on regional outreach and engagement plans.

We are also actively conferring with GAC members on how best to keep them engaged and informed, and will be pleased to address this at the upcoming ICANN82 GAC capacity-building session. We would also be pleased to have an exchange on the topic with GAC leadership during your annual strategic meeting in Brussels 14-15 April, if you believe it would be a good topic for your agenda.

I urge GAC members following this important aspect of the Next Round New gTLDs Program to visit the URL above to review reports on our shared progress. We look forward to welcoming GAC members to the monthly IRT calls on outreach and engagement.

Sincerely,

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