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GAC Action/Decision Radar

As of: 25 October 2021

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Purpose of the GAC Action/Decision Radar

The purpose of this document is to **provide an exhaustive picture of all foreseeable and envisioned GAC outputs**, at a level similar to that of the <u>GAC Action Points</u> (recording in Minutes from ICANN meetings), while aiming to provide a sense of timing, in addition to other information such as priority, dependencies, and key resources for more information on any given topic.

Suggested Use of the Document

- <u>Topical perspective</u>, for members interested in what outputs are expected on any given subject matters:
 - 1. Refer to the appropriate "Topic/Policy Area" in the section of this document named "Categorized List of All Identified GAC Action/Decisions"
 - 2. Review the various Action/Decisions expected for this Topic/Policy Area
- GAC Timeline perspective, for members interested in what outputs are currently being worked on and/or expected in a given time frame in the future
 - 1. Refer to the appropriate time frame in the "Estimated Planning of GAC Action/Decisions" section of this document
 - 2. Review the various Action/Decisions expected in the selected time frame for each relevant Topic/Policy Area

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Area	#	Short Description	Full Description (including deliverables, dependencies and key references)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.
Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs	1	Input in Sub Pro PDP WG deliberations on Final Report	 Monitor deliberations of the Sub Pro PDP WG towards finalization of its Final Report, and provide input on issues of importance to the GAC, consistent with the GAC Scorecard on Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDSs and the recent GAC Consensus Input on the Draft Final Report 	GAC commer	Completed Jan. 2021 GAC comments on Draft Sub Pro PDP WG Final Report	
	2	Potential Minority Statement in Sub Pro PDP Final Report	Consider submitting a Minority Statement in the Sub Pro PDP WG Final Report should the GAC take issue with consensus designations and/or recommendations	Completed Ja Unnecessary Input to date	in light of	GAC
	3a	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - Public Comments on Final Outputs	 Consider GAC Comments on the Final Output of the Sub Pro PDP as part of the public comment proceeding (closing 1 June 2021) before ICANN Board formally considers policy recommendation adopted (24 March 2021) by the GNSO Council Reference: GAC Comment (29 Sep. 2020) Communiqué and Minutes (ICANN67-70) GAC Scorecard on Subsequent Rounds GNSO PDP WG 	Completed 1 GAC commer Outputs for B Consideration	its on Sub oard	
	3b	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - Public Policy Concerns	 Response to the ICANN Board's request for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice in its bylaw notification (29 April 2021) before ICANN Board formally considers policy recommendation adopted (24 March 2021) by the GNSO Council on the basis of the Sub Pro PDP WG Final Report (1 February 2021) Dependency: Expected launch of an Operational Design Phase (Q4 2021) Reference: Communiqué and Minutes (ICANN67-70) ODP Reference Page CCT Review Recommendations SAC114 GAC Response to ICANN Board 	Completed 4 GAC response		
	3c	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - GAC Advice	 Consider submitting GAC Advice to the ICANN Board before ICANN Board formally considers policy recommendations adopted (24 March 2021) by the GNSO Council on the basis of the Sub Pro PDP WG Final Report (1 February 2021) Dependency: Expected launch of an Operational Design Phase (Q4 2021) Reference: Communiqué and Minutes (ICANN67-70) ODP Reference Page CCT Review Recommendations SAC114 GAC Response to ICANN Board 	Luisa Paez (CA), Jorge Cancio (CH)	Now	

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Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs	4	Operational Design Phase and Implementation of Sub Pro PDP Recommendations	 Monitor and consider contributing to studies and deliberations of either (or both) Operational Design Phase and Implementation Review Team, consistent with GAC positions on issues of importance to the GAC. A GAC Small Group was formed for this purpose. Dependency: ICANN Org to launch ODP (Q1 2022 - TBC) Reference: ODP Reference Page (icann.org) incl. Webinar (28 Sep. 2021); ICANN Board Resolution (12 Sep. 2021); ODP Scoping Document 	Luisa Paez (CA), Jorge Cancio (CH)	3-6 mths	
	5	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 1 (TMCH Sunrise, URS) - Public Policy Concerns	 Consider possible public policy concerns regarding recommendations of Phase 1 of the RPM PDP WG Final Report as adopted by the GNSO Council and respond to Board bylaw notification to the GAC (7 April) for possible Public Policy concerns as part of the ongoing Public Comment proceeding closing on 30 April 2021 Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session (22 March 2021) GNSO PDP Project Page 	Completed GAC Topics de are no public		

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Current TLD Policy	1a	IGO Protections - Bylaw Consultation	 Engage in Bylaw Consultation following expected Board rejection of GAC Advice per ICANN Board resolution (22 October 2020) and ensuing documentation: letter and the accompanying scorecard (8 Dec.), clarifications (26 Jan.), consultation call (1 Feb.), follow-up letter (23 Feb.), BGIG Call (11 Mar.) and following BGIG Call (1 June) Dependency: GAC decision on next step to take in the Bylaw consultation process, following GAC/Board consultation (1 February 2021) and BGIG Calls (11 March, 1 June and 5 October 2021) Reference: GAC Response (7 October 2021) to Board Clarifying Questions (29 July 2021) Board Scorecard ICANN71 GAC Advice 	GAC Leadership	Now	
	1b	IGO Protections - Clarifying Questions	GAC to respond to ICANN Board <u>Clarifying Questions</u> (29 July 2021) relative to IGO Protection Matters.	Completed 7 October 2021 GAC <u>response</u> to ICANN Board.		
	2	IGO Curative Rights Protection Work Track Representation	 Confirm GAC representation in IGO Work Track of the GNSO RPM PDP WG, in response to an expected GNSO call for volunteers. Dependency: Initiation of GNSO Call for volunteers (Q4 2020) 	Completed Jan. 2021 GAC Confirmed participation of representatives from OECD, WIPO, World Bank, CH, IR US.		
	3a	EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs (Ex IGO Curative Rights Protection Work Track)	 Contribute to deliberations of the EPDP on Specific Curative Rights Protections for Intergovernmental Organizations and provide input on issues of importance to the GAC, consistent with relevant GAC Advice Dependency: EPDP's completion timeline (Q1 2022) Reference: EPDP Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs (Wiki) Charter 	US, IR, CH OECD, WIPO, WB	Now	
	3b	Input on Initial Report EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs	 Consider GAC Comments on the Initial Report of the EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs as part of the <u>public comment proceeding</u> (closing 24 October 2021) on preliminary policy recommendations under consideration by the EPDP-IGO. Reference: IGO EPDP Initial Report (14 Sep. 2021) GNSO EPDP WG 	Completed 22 GAC Commer the Initial Rep from the EPD Curative Right IGOs	its Commonts Oort P on Spec	ent on ific

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Current TLD Policy	4	IGO List Management - GAC Process	 Consider a GAC Process for adding/removing IGOs to/from the 2013 GAC IGO List Dependency: Prioritization by GAC Leadership Dependency: Consideration of <u>Draft Process</u> by GAC Leadership before sharing with GAC Membership for review and input (<u>ICANN71 Action Point</u>), in light of <u>ICANN71 Communiqué</u> <u>Clarification Call</u> with the ICANN Board 	GAC Leadership	Now	
	5	African Union opt-out of GAC IGO List	 Monitor developments and consider communications and process implications for other IGOs as needed Dependency: Correspondence between ICANN org (GE) and African Union on decision and consequences of removal from the GAC List. Reference: AU letter to ICANN Board (10 July 2020) 	GAC Leadership	Now	
	6	Voluntary PICs Change Process	 Provide input into proposed process for current Registry Operators to make amendments to their Voluntary Public Interest Commitments (PICs) per briefing documentation by ICANN org delivered on 21 September. Reference: ICANN org briefing (21 Sep.) ICANN70 Plenary Session (25 Mar. 2021) 	J. Cancio (CH), L. Kapin (US)	Now	
	7	Country Names at 2nd Level Notification List - GAC Process	 Consider developing and documenting a formal process reflecting practices to date to ensure that changes to the Notification List are tracked appropriately, possibly displayed, and GAC Members are aware and able to maintain their preferences at any given point, considering the role of this list in ICANN Org documentation for registries Dependency: GAC Leadership direction and support staff planning. Reference: GAC Advice (8.a.) in the Singapore Communiqué (11 February 2015) 	GAC Support	6-12 mths	
	8a	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Chartering / Scoping	 Consider GAC representation and/or input in chartering and scoping discussions anticipated before the launch of Phase 2 of the GNSO's Review of All Rights PDP (RPM PDP) to review the UDRP. Dependency: Council to form charter/scoping team (by Q3 2021?, as of 22 Apr 2021), now GNSO Council consideration (9 July 2021) of a request for an ICANN org Policy Status Report (PSR) to ensure focus on specific issues that merit a policy review Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) ICANN70 GAC Session (22 March 2021) GNSO PDP Project Page 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	Now	

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Current TLD Policy	8b	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Representation	 Determine GAC representation (if any) for Phase 2 of the GNSO RPM PDP WG to review the UDRP, in response to an expected GNSO call for volunteers. Dependency: Initiation of GNSO Call for volunteers (Q4 2021?) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	3-6 mths	
	8c	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Deliberations	 Contribute to deliberations of the RPM PDP WG to review the UDRP and provide input on issues of importance to the GAC, consistent with relevant GAC Advice Dependency: Launch of RPM PDP Phase 2 Working Group (Q14 20221?) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	6-12 mths	
	9	ccNSO PDP3 on the Retirement of ccTLDs	 Monitor Progress of ccNSO Working Group of the ccNSO Policy Development Process initiated in 2017 to develop policy recommendations on the Retirement of ccTLDs (Part 1) ands for a Review Mechanism for decisions pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs (Part 2). Part 1 - Recommended policy for the Retirement of ccTLDs - Final Report Issued 8 June.ccNSO recommended policy submitted to the ICANN Board on 28 Sep. 2021. Part 2 - Developing a Review Mechanism for decisions pertaining to delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs Dependency: Public Comment period on Part 1 Recommendations (Q4 2021) References: Public Comment proceeding (closed 14 April 2021); Transmission of ccNSO recommendation to ICANN Board Part 1 - 28 September 2021); Board acknowledgement of recommendation (Part 1 - 19 October 2021)	GAC Support & GAC Contact Point for ccNSO	1 month	
	10	GNSO PDP: Transfer Policy Review Phase 1	 Monitor progress of GNSO Working Group - On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council passed a resolution to initiate a two-phased PDP to review the Transfer Policy. The PDP working group is tasked with determining if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers. WG held first meeting in May 2021. In the early stages of its work, the WG developed a work plan, conducted an initial review of the topics within its charter, and obtained early written input from the SG, Constituencies, SOs, and ACs on these topics. The WG is now focusing on substantive deliberations and making progress toward delivering its Initial Report which will be published for public comment. Dependency: Publication of WG Initial Report - prompting GAC decision to comment Reference: GNSO Council Project Page 	GAC Support/Le adership	3-6 mths	

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IDNs and Universal Acceptance	1	IDN Root Zone Label Generation Rules	 Consider the proposals of Generation Panels developing Label Generation Rules (LGR) in all relevant scripts, as a mechanism to determine valid IDN TLDs and their variant labels for stable and secure operation of the Root Zone Reference documentation: LGR proposals RZ-LGR Info (ICANN org) 	TBD	6-12 mths	
	2	Universal Acceptance	 Consider outputs and communications of the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) as it relates to and in coordination with relevant initiatives in which GAC Members are involved. Reference documentation: <u>Universal Acceptance</u> (ICANN org) <u>UASG</u> 	TBD	6-12 mths	
	3a	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - Representation	 Consider GAC representation in the IDNs EPDP recently initiated by the GNSO Council. Dependency: Initiation of GNSO Call for volunteers (Q3 2021) Reference: Scoping Final Report (17 Jan. 2020) WG Charter (20 May 2021) 	Completed GAC Confirme representativ (member), IN NG (participa	es from U (as altern	K
	3b	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - Policy Proposals	 Contribute policy proposals to the IDN EPDP Working Group . Reference: Scoping Final Report (17 Jan. 2020) WG Charter (20 May 2021) IDNs EPDP Wiki for records and documentation 	N. Hickson (UK); T. Santhosh (India)	Now	
	3c	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - GAC Early Input	 Determine whether to provide GAC Early Input in response to the Working Group's request and associated 20 questions as circulated at all ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees. Deadline: 10 Nov. Reference: GNSO IDNs EPDP Working Group Request for Early Input (29 Sept. 2021) 	N. Hickson (UK); T. Santhosh (India)	Now	
	4	ccNSO PDP4 on IDN ccTLD Strings	 Monitor ccNSO Working Group on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings. The WG is gradually making progress with defining the criteria, process and procedures for the selection of Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) ccTLD strings. The results of this ccPDP will eventually replace the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process. 	GAC Support	6-12 mths	

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RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	1	EPDP Phase 1 IRT	 Assess and comment on EPDP Phase 1 Implementation Proposal, consistent with contributions by GAC reps. in the EPDP Phase 1 Implementation Review Team (IRT), and possibly determine possible GAC position on the impact of this implementation on the Privacy/Proxy Accreditation Implementation and Thick Whois policy. Dependency: Release of draft consensus policy language for EPDP Phase 1 Implementation by ICANN (date unknown) Reference: IRT Work Space ICANN70 GAC Session (briefing and slides)	PSWG Co-Chairs (LK, CLE)	Now	
	2	EPDP Phase 2: SSAD Financial Sustainability	 Consider providing input into cost/benefits analysis of the SSAD to the ICANN Board in the context of its expected consultation with the GNSO Council. Dependency: Advancement or completion of Operational Design Phase launched on 25 March 2021 and subsequent formal Board/GNSO Consultation (Q1/2 2022?) Reference: SSAD ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	3-6 mths	
	3a	EPDP Phase 2: Operational Design Phase (ODP)	 Monitor and contribute to studies and ICANN deliberations during Operational Design Phase consistent with GAC positions on issues of importance to the GAC Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session and Communiqué Advice ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	Now	
	3b	EPDP Phase 2 ODP: GAC and GAC Member Survey on SSAD	 Consider national and collective GAC response by 31 October2021 to an ICANN Survey addressed specifically to the GAC to help inform the work of the SSAD Operational Design Phase as it relates to the accreditation of, and requests for disclosure of nonpublic gTLD registration data by governmental entities Reference: Initial GAC Chair email to Membership (16 July 2021) Extension granted until 31 October 2021 ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group and GAC Members	Now	
	4a	EPDP Phase 2 (Prio2 Rec. 19-22): Public Policy Concerns/Advice	Response to the ICANN Board's request (10 February 2021) for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice when the ICANN Board will formally consider the GNSO policy recommendations in the EPDP Phase 2 Final Report	Completed 20 GAC Chair col indicating the policy concer	rresponde ere are no	nce public

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RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	4b	EPDP Phase 2 (SSAD Rec. 1-18): Public Policy Concerns/Advice	 Response to the ICANN Board's request (9 March) for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice when the ICANN Board will formally consider the GNSO policy recommendations in the EPDP Phase 2 Final Report Dependency: Advancement or completion of Operational Design Phase launched on 25 March, GNSO Consultation, and Cost/Benefit Analysis following public comment proceeding closing 30 March 2021 Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session and Communiqué Advice ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	1-3 mths	
	4c	EPDP Phase 2 GAC Advice	 Consider the need for GAC follow-up on the ICANN Board clarification questions and response to the GAC ICANN70 Advice to "to consider the GAC Minority Statement and available options to address the public policy concerns expressed therein, and take necessary action, as appropriate" Reference: ICANN Board resolution and scorecard on GAC ICANN70 Communiqué and Clarifying Questions on ICANN71 GAC Communiqué (29 July 2021) 	Completed 6 GAC Respons Clarifying Qual ICANN70 Con WHOIS/Data	<u>e</u> to Board estions on nmunique	I GAC -
	5	EPDP Phase 2a: Chair Requirements	Consider weighing on criteria and requirements for leadership of a reconvened EPDP Team, consistent with experience to date and discussions with ALAC of need for neutrality and skills, including possibly professional facilitation	Closed Dec. 2020 GNSO identified Keith Drazek (Verisign) as Chair.		Orazek
	6	EPDP Phase 2a: GAC Representation	Confirm GAC Representation in the new Phase (2a) of the EPDP to address the issues of Legal vs. Natural and Anonymized Unique Contacts	Completed D EC, UK and U		ered
	7a	EPDP Phase 2a: Policy Proposals	 Contribute policy proposals to the EPDP Team on the issues of Legal/Natural and anonymized unique contacts Dependency: EPDP Phase 2A's completion timeline (Q2/3 2021, as of 31 Mar.) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session (Briefing and Slides) EPDP Phase 2A (Wiki) 	Completed 19 publication of Final Report (GAC Minority	f EPDP Pha 3 Sep. 202	ase 2A 21) and
	7b	EPDP Phase 2a Initial Report	 Consider GAC Comments on the EPDP Phase 2A Initial Report as part of a public comment proceeding expected to be opened before and close after ICANN71 Dependency: Release of EPDP Phase 2A Initial Report and related Public Comment proceeding 	Completed 1: Submission o	•	
	7c	EPDP Phase 2a Public Policy Concerns/Advice	 Response to the ICANN Board's expected bylaws-mandated request for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice when the ICANN Board will formally consider the GNSO policy recommendations in the EPDP Phase 2A Final Report Reference: Phase 2A Final Report (3 Sep. 2021) GAC Minority Statement (10 Sep.) 	GAC Small Group	1-3 mths	

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RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	8a	Accuracy of Registration Data: GNSO Scoping Effort GAC Representation	 Confirm the names of 2 GAC representatives by 25 August to join the GNSO Soping Effort on Accuracy consistent with the GNSO Council <u>instructions</u> (9 July 2021). The work of the scoping team is expected to start after EPDP Phase 2A releases its Final Report (Sept. 2021) 	Completed 2 nomination o from EC and 0	f GAC par		
	8b	Accuracy of Registration Data: GNSO Scoping Effort GAC Contribution	 Contribute scoping proposals on issues related to Data Accuracy, consistent with GAC Comment on the WHOIS-RDS2 Review Final Recommendations following the launch a GNSO Scoping Effort, after delivery of an ICANN org briefing (26 Feb.) GNSO Council leadership guidance (23 April) and its eventual adoption (22 July 2021) of a set of instructions (9 July 2021) for the scoping team. Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session ICANN70 and ICANN71 Communiqués 	GAC Small Group	Now		
	9	ICANN org dialogue on Issues in Minority Statement	 Engage with ICANN org following the the 14 September GAC/ICANN CEO dialogue on the GAC Minority Statement in the EPDP Phase 2 Final Report, and report to the GAC as appropriate 	Closed Feb 20 GAC Small Gr this was over	oup deter		
	10	Montreal Advice Follow-up	 Follow-up with ICANN org on Montreal Advice related to making available a Standard Request Form to Access non-public Registration Data Reference: GAC Montréal Communiqué Board Scorecard ICANN70 GAC Briefing 	GAC Small Group + Leadership	Now		
	11	RDS-WHOIS2 Review Implementation	 Consider Following-up with ICANN Board and ICANN org on implementation of WHOIS-RDS2 Review Team recommendations, as highlighted by the GAC in its Comment (23 Dec. 2020) on the Review's Final Report (3 Sep. 2019) and consistent with ICANN Board Action (25 Feb. 2020) Dependency: ICANN Board review of EPDP Phase 2 outcomes for pending recommendations in its Scorecard of Board Action (Q3/4 2021?) 	TBD	1-3 mths		

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DNS Abuse Mitigation	1	CCT Review Recommendations Implementation	 Consider appropriate GAC action following Board decision on "Competition, Consumer Trust, Consumer Choice Review Team (CCT-RT) Pending Recommendations (Board resolution of 22 October 2020) Dependency: Outcome of GAC request to ICANN Board for a tracking tool (ICANN70) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Communiqué Minutes Briefing on DNS Abuse 	GAC Leadership, PSWG Co-Chair (LK)	1-3 mths	
	2a	SSR2 Review Final Recommendations	 Consider GAC Public Comment on <u>Final Report</u> of the SSR2 Review Team before 8 April 2021, prior to its consideration by the ICANN Board (within 6 months of report per ICANN Bylaws) and consistent with <u>GAC Comments</u> on the <u>Draft Report</u>. <u>Dependency</u>: GAC Decision to file Public Comment based on <u>proposed analysis</u> of differences between Final and Draft Report in view of previous GAC Comments 	Completed A Submitted GA April 2021) fo during ICANN	AC Comme llowing di	
	2b	SSR2 Review Recommendations Implementation	 Review ICANN Board consideration of the <u>Final Report</u> of the SSR2 Review Team and specifically its direction given to ICANN org regarding implementation of the recommendations, in light of <u>GAC Comments</u> (8 April 2021) Reference: ICANN Board resolution and <u>Scorecard of Board Action</u> (22 July 2021) and associated <u>blog</u> (26 July 2021) 	PSWG Co-Chairs	Now	
	3	Assessment of SAC115 to Determine Next Steps	 Assess and propose GAC expectations as to next steps on 1) implementation of SSAC recommendations and 2) impact of recommendations on other GAC work items on DNS Abuse Reference: SAC115 (19 March 2021) and ICANN71 GAC Session (14 June 2021) 	PSWG	1-3 mths	
	4	Community Work/Policy Development Options	 Follow-up with GNSO Leadership on a Framework of possible community work and policy development, as discussed with GAC Leadership prior to ICANN68, as referred to in the ICANN Board's decision to extend the CEO's contract (ICANN69 Communiqué) and as discussed between GAC and GNSO during ICANN70. Dependency: Outcome of GNSO Council deliberations on 8 April and 30 May 2021 Reference: ICANN70 GAC Minutes and Briefing on DNS Abuse 	GAC Leadership	1-3 mths	
	5	Improve contract provisions and enforcement	 Consider concrete proposals to improve registry and registrar agreements for possible negotiation between ICANN and contracted parties, as well as proposals to improve contractual compliance enforcement (consistent with ICANN69 Communiqué and PSWG Update) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session on DNS Abuse (Slides and Briefing) 	PSWG Co-Chairs	3-6 mths	

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DNS Abuse Mitigation	6	Registrar Audit	 Consider the outcome of the Registrar Audit <u>launched</u> on 15 January 2021 and concluded with the publication of its <u>Results</u> (24 August 2021). 	PSWG Co-Chairs	Now	

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ICANN Governance	1	Operational Design Phase	 Collate GAC Members input into GAC Feedback to ICANN org on proposal made to SO/AC leaders for including an Operation Design Phase for certain future policy implementation efforts per <u>updated proposal</u> shared with community leaders in mid December. SO/AC leaders feedback <u>expected</u> by 22 January 2021. 	submitted to January. See I	Completed - GAC Input submitted to ICANN org on 23 January. See ICANN org ODP Wiki for more information.	
	2	WS-2 Accountability Implementation	 Assess WS-2 Recommendations Applicable to the GAC Implement WS-2 Recommendations Applicable to the GAC Development of an Implementation Tool for Workstream 2 Accountability recommendations 	GAC Leadership	6-12 mths	
	3	Independent Review Panel	 Consider Participating in Community Representative Group to identify nominees to serve as panelist for Independent Review Standing Panel, for confirmation by the ICANN Board Dependency: ICANN org Call for Interest to be issued (Q4 2020 ?) 	Completed - ICANN org staff confirmed 2 GAC nominee appointments on 29 january 2021		
	4	ICANN FY22-26 Operating and Financial Plans	Assess Draft Plans and submit GAC Comments if appropriate. Comment deadline likely 15 February	Completed - submitted 15		
	5	Future of ICANN Meetings	Consultation initiated by ICANN org with community to examine structure of future ICANN public meetings. Comments due 11 December	Completed - 18 December		s filed
	6	Independent Review Panel - Community Representative Group (CRG)	GAC has two appointees on the members on the CRG. As of 15 August April, work has not yet begun. Appointees will report progress as appropriate	TBD	3-6 mths	

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GAC Operations	1	Virtual Meetings and GAC Advice	 Discuss membership preferences for future GAC plenary meetings (virtual/face-to-face, low-intensity over longer period or high-intensity over shorter period), include whether and how to develop GAC Advice as needed Dependency: Conclusion of the ICANN70 pilot experiment following agreement to proceed (3 March) and subsequent GAC input. 	Completed - Communique Development	pleted.	
	2	Next HLGM	 Consider timing, format and planning of the next High Level Governmental Meeting - pending further ICANN org insights for prospects of future ICANN F2F public meetings <u>Dependency</u>: ICANN org determination to return to F2F or hybrid public meeting format 	GAC Leadership	3-6 mths	
	3	GAC Points of Contacts to SO/ACs	 Identify and nominate GAC representatives as Points of Contact to GNSO, ALAC and ccNSO 	Completed - POCs appointed effective 1 Jan 2021		
	4	Travel Support Rules	 Endorsement of USRWG proposed 2020 Travel Support Rules consistent with ICANN69 Communiqué 	Completed - Endorsed and published 5 Feb. 2021.		
	5	GAC Fellowship Representatives	 Make New GAC appointments to Fellowship Program - Fellows Selection Committee and Fellows Mentor 	Completed - GAC notified appointments on 29 Jan. 2021		
	6	Community Excel. Award Sel. Panel	 Make New GAC appointments to ICANN Community Excellence Award Selection Panel 	Completed - appointee volunteer approved Mar. 2021		
	7	GAC Membership Engagement	 Identify opportunities to expand and deepen GAC participation/engagement metrics, onboarding processes and information capacity - Ongoing activity reflected as a 6 to 12 month activity below 	GAC Leadership	Now	
	8	GAC Assessment of Board Responses to Communiqués	 Develop proposal for regular standardized approach that the GAC could undertake to review and assess Board responses to future GAC advice (e.g., the Board scorecard) for GAC consideration - Pending as discussions w/i BGIG continue - reflected as an "Ongoing" activity below 	GAC Leadership / Support staff	3-6 mths	
	9	Public Meeting Invitation Process	 GAC to develop process for receiving and processing GAC public meeting invitation letter requests for implementation for next in-person ICANN public meeting Dependency: Return to in-person public meetings 	GAC Leadership / Support	1-3 mths	
	10a	NomCom 2021	GAC to consider submission of input to 2021 NomCom	Completed - transmitted 2	•	

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GAC Operations	10b	NomCom 2022	GAC to consider submission of input to 2021 NomCom	GAC Leadership/ Support	6-12 mths	
	11	2021 Vice Chair Elections	 Nomination period concludes 9 September. Voting will officially close at 23:59 UTC on Tuesday 26 October 2021. Results will be announced on Thursday 28 October 2021 Reference: 2021 Vice Chair Election page 	GAC Leadership/ Support	Now	
	12	Empowered Community	 Update GAC ECA Guidelines to accommodate designation of GAC ECA rep, create process for submission of "proactive petitions" and develop more process details for managing requests for petitions to reject. Dependency - ICANN org staff feedback on Board removal expectations Reference - Current GAC ECA Guidelines 	GAC Leadership/ Support	1-3 mths	

Ongoing

Topic/Policy			GAC Action/Decision	GAC Lead(s)	Timeline	
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)		Due	Prio.
			GAC Action currently ongoing			
Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs	3c	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - GAC Advice	 Consider submitting GAC Advice to the ICANN Board before ICANN Board formally considers policy recommendations adopted (24 March 2021) by the GNSO Council on the basis of the Sub Pro PDP WG Final Report (1 February 2021) Dependency: ICANN Org to launch ODP (Q1 2022 - TBC); GAC call for volunteers to serve on internal GAC small group for ODP input. Reference: Communiqué and Minutes (ICANN67-70) ODP Reference Page CCT Review Recommendations SAC114 GAC Response to ICANN Board ICANN Board Resolution ODP Scoping Document 	Luisa Paez (CA), Jorge Cancio (CH)	Now	
Current TLD Policy	1a	IGO Protections - Bylaw Consultation	 Engage in Bylaw Consultation following expected Board rejection of GAC Advice per ICANN Board resolution (22 October 2020) and ensuing documentation: letter and the accompanying scorecard (8 Dec.), clarifications (26 Jan.), consultation call (1 Feb.), follow-up letter (23 Feb.), BGIG Call (11 Mar.) and following BGIG Call (1 June) Dependency: GAC decision on next step to take in the Bylaw consultation process, following GAC/Board consultation (1 February 2021) and BGIG Calls (11 March, 1 June and 5 October 2021) Reference: GAC Response (7 October 2021) to Board Clarifying Questions (29 July 2021) Board Scorecard ICANN71 GAC Advice 	GAC Leadership	Now	
Current TLD Policy	3a	EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs (Ex IGO Curative Rights Protection Work Track)	 Contribute to deliberations of the EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs (ex IGO WT) and provide input on issues of importance to the GAC, consistent with relevant GAC Advice Dependency: EPDP's completion timeline (Q1 2022) Reference: EPDP Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs (Wiki) Charter 	US, IR, CH OECD, WIPO, WB	Now	
Current TLD Policy	4	IGO List Management - GAC Process	 Consider a GAC Process for adding/removing IGOs to/from the 2013 GAC IGO List Dependency: Prioritization by GAC Leadership Dependency: Consideration of <u>Draft Process</u> by GAC Leadership before sharing with GAC Membership for review and input (<u>ICANN71 Action Point</u>), in light of <u>ICANN71 Communiqué Clarification Call</u> with the ICANN Board 	GAC Leadership	Now	

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Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)		Due	Prio.
			GAC Action currently ongoing			
Current TLD Policy	5	African Union opt-out of GAC IGO List	 Monitor developments and consider communications and process implications for other IGOs as needed Dependency: Correspondence between ICANN org (GE) and African Union on decision and consequences of removal from the GAC List Reference: AU letter to ICANN Board (10 July 2020) 	GAC Leadership	Now	
Current TLD Policy	6	Voluntary PICs Change Process	 Provide input into proposed process for current Registry Operators to make amendments to their Voluntary Public Interest Commitments (PICs) per briefing documentation by ICANN org delivered on 21 September. Reference: ICANN org briefing (21 Sep.) ICANN70 Plenary Session (25 Mar. 2021) 	J. Cancio (CH), L. Kapin (US)	Now	
Current TLD Policy	8a	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Chartering / Scoping	 Consider GAC representation and/or input in chartering and scoping discussions anticipated before the launch of Phase 2 of the GNSO's Review of All Rights PDP (RPM PDP) to review the UDRP. Dependency: Council to form charter/scoping team (by Q3 2021?, as of 22 Apr 2021) now GNSO Council consideration (9 July 2021) of a request for an ICANN org Policy Status Report (PSR) to ensure focus on specific issues that merit a policy review Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) ICANN70 GAC Session (22 March 2021) GNSO PDP Project Page 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	Now	
IDNs and Universal Acceptance	3b	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - Contribution	 Provide input to IDNs EPDP in response to requests for Community or Public comments, once the PDP process is in motion (expected during Q3 2021). Reference: Scoping Final Report (17 Jan. 2020) WG Charter (20 May 2021) 	N. Hickson (UK); T. Santhosh (India)	Now	
IDNs and Universal Acceptance	3c	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - GAC Early Input	 Determine whether to provide GAC Early Input in response to the Working Group's request and associated 20 questions as circulated at all ICANN Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees. Deadline: 10 Nov. Reference: GNSO IDNs EPDP Working Group Request for Early Input (29 Sept. 2021) 	N. Hickson (UK); T. Santhosh (India)	Now	

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Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)		Due	Prio.
			GAC Action currently ongoing			-
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	1	EPDP Phase 1 IRT	 Assess and comment on EPDP Phase 1 Implementation Proposal, consistent with contributions by GAC reps. in the EPDP Phase 1 Implementation Review Team (IRT), and possibly determine possible GAC position on the impact of this implementation on the Privacy/Proxy Accreditation Implementation and Thick Whois policy. Dependency: Release of draft consensus policy language for EPDP Phase 1 Implementation by ICANN (date unknown) Reference: IRT Work Space ICANN70 GAC Session (briefing and slides)	PSWG Co-Chairs (LK, CLE)	Now	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	3a	EPDP Phase 2: Operational Design Phase (ODP)	 Monitor and contribute to studies and ICANN deliberations during Operational Design Phase consistent with GAC positions on issues of importance to the GAC Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session and Communiqué Advice ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	Now	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	3b	EPDP Phase 2 ODP: GAC and GAC Member Survey on SSAD	 Consider national and collective GAC response by 31 October2021 to an ICANN Survey addressed specifically to the GAC to help inform the work of the SSAD Operational Design Phase as it relates to the accreditation of, and requests for disclosure of nonpublic gTLD registration data by governmental entities Reference: Initial GAC Chair email to Membership (16 July 2021) Extension granted until 31 October 2021 ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group and GAC Members	Now	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	8b	Accuracy of Registration Data: GNSO Scoping Effort GAC Contribution	 Contribute scoping proposals on issues related to Data Accuracy, consistent with GAC Comment on the WHOIS-RDS2 Review Final Recommendations following the launch a GNSO Scoping Effort, after delivery of an ICANN org briefing (26 Feb.) GNSO Council leadership guidance (23 April) and its eventual adoption (22 July 2021) of a set of instructions (9 July 2021) for the scoping team. Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session ICANN70 and ICANN71 Communiqués 	GAC Small Group	Now	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	10	Montreal Advice Follow-up	 Follow-up with ICANN org on Montreal Advice related to making available a Standard Request Form to Access non-public Registration Data Reference: GAC Montréal Communiqué Board Scorecard ICANN70 GAC Briefing 	GAC Small Group + Leadership	Now	

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Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.
			GAC Action currently ongoing			
DNS Abuse Mitigation	2b	SSR2 Review Recommendations Implementation	 Review ICANN Board consideration of the Final Report of the SSR2 Review Team and specifically its direction given to ICANN org regarding implementation of the recommendations, in light of GAC Comments (8 April 2021) Reference: ICANN Board resolution and Scorecard of Board Action (22 July 2021) and associated blog (26 July 2021) 	PSWG Co-Chairs	Now	
DNS Abuse Mitigation	6	Registrar Audit	Consider the outcome of the Registrar Audit <u>launched</u> on 15 January 2021 and concluded with the publication of its <u>Results</u> (24 August 2021).	PSWG Co-Chairs	Now	
GAC Operations	7	GAC Membership Engagement	Identify opportunities to expand and deepen GAC participation/engagement metrics, onboarding processes and information capacity - Ongoing activity reflected as a 6 to 12 month activity below	GAC Leadership	Now	
GAC Operations	11	2021 Vice Chair Elections	 Nomination period concludes 9 September. Voting will officially close at 23:59 UTC on Tuesday 26 October 2021. Results will be announced on Thursday 28 October 2021 Reference: 2021 Vice Chair Election page 	GAC Leadership/ Support		

Within 1 Month

Topic/Policy		GAC Action/Decision		GAC	Timeline					
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.				
	GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within the coming month									
Current TLD Policy	9	ccNSO PDP3 on the Retirement of ccTLDs	 Monitor Progress of ccNSO Working Group of the ccNSO Policy Development Process initiated in 2017 to develop policy recommendations on the Retirement of ccTLDs (Part 1) ands for a Review Mechanism for decisions pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs (Part 2).	GAC Support & GAC Contact Point for ccNSO	1 month					

Within 1 to 3 Months

Topic/Policy		GAC Action/Decision			Timeline	
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.
			GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 1 to 3 month			
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	4b	EPDP Phase 2 (SSAD Rec. 1-18): Public Policy Concerns/Advice	 Response to the ICANN Board's request (9 March) for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice when the ICANN Board will formally consider the GNSO policy recommendations in the EPDP Phase 2 Final Report Dependency: Advancement or completion of Operational Design Phase launched on 25 March, GNSO Consultation, and Cost/Benefit Analysis following public comment proceeding closing 30 March 2021 Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session and Communiqué Advice ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	1-3 mths	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	7c	EPDP Phase 2a Public Policy Concerns/Advice	 Response to the ICANN Board's expected bylaws-mandated request for potential public policy concerns and GAC Advice when the ICANN Board will formally consider the GNSO policy recommendations in the EPDP Phase 2A Final Report Reference: Phase 2A Final Report (3 Sep. 2021) GAC Minority Statement (10 Sep.) 	GAC Small Group	1-3 mths	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	11	RDS-WHOIS2 Review Implementation	 Consider Following-up with ICANN Board and ICANN org on implementation of WHOIS-RDS2 Review Team recommendations, as highlighted by the GAC in its Comment (23 Dec. 2020) on the Review's Final Report (3 Sep. 2019) and consistent with ICANN Board Action (25 Feb. 2020) Dependency: ICANN Board review of EPDP Phase 2 outcomes for pending recommendations in its Scorecard of Board Action (Q3/4 2021?) 	TBD	1-3 mths	

Topic/Policy			GAC Action/Decision	GAC	Priority	
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)		
			GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 1 to 3 month			
DNS Abuse Mitigation	1	CCT Review Recommendations Implementation	 Consider appropriate GAC action following Board decision on "Competition, Consumer Trust, Consumer Choice Review Team (CCT-RT) Pending Recommendations (Board <u>resolution</u> of 22 October 2020) Dependency: Outcome of GAC request to ICANN Board for a tracking tool (ICANN70) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Communiqué Minutes Briefing on DNS Abuse 	GAC Leadership, PSWG Co-Chair (LK)	1-3 mths	
DNS Abuse Mitigation	3	Assessment of SAC115 to Determine Next Steps	 Assess and propose GAC expectations as to next steps on 1) implementation of SSAC recommendations and 2) impact of recommendations on other GAC work items on DNS Abuse Reference: SAC115 (19 March 2021) and ICANN71 GAC Session (14 June 2021) 	PSWG	1-3 mths	
DNS Abuse Mitigation	4	Community Work/Policy Development Options	 Follow-up with GNSO Leadership on a Framework of possible community work and policy development, as discussed with GAC Leadership prior to ICANN68, as referred to in the ICANN Board's decision to extend the CEO's contract (ICANN69 Communiqué) and as discussed between GAC and GNSO during ICANN70. Dependency: Outcome of GNSO Council deliberations on 8 April and 30 May 2021 Reference: ICANN70 GAC Minutes and Briefing on DNS Abuse 	GAC Leadership	1-3 mths	
GAC Operations	9	Public Meeting Invitation Process	 GAC to develop process for receiving and processing GAC public meeting invitation letter requests for implementation for next in-person ICANN public meeting Dependency: Return to in-person public meetings 	GAC Leadership / Support	1-3 mths	
GAC Operations	11	2021 Vice Chair Elections	 Nomination period concludes 9 September. Balloting concludes ICANN72 Reference: 2021 Vice Chair Election page 	GAC Leadership/ Support	1-3 mths	
GAC Operations	12	Empowered Community	 Update GAC ECA Guidelines to accommodate designation of GAC ECA rep, create process for submission of "proactive petitions" and develop more process details for managing requests for petitions to reject. Dependency - ICANN org staff feedback on Board removal Expectations Reference - Current GAC ECA Guidelines 	GAC Leadership/ Support	1-3 mths	

Within 3 to 6 Months

Topic/Policy			GAC	Timeline		
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.
		•	GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 3 to 6 Months			
Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs	4	Operational Design Phase and Implementation of Sub Pro PDP Recommendations	 Monitor and consider contributing to studies and deliberations of either (or both) Operational Design Phase and Implementation Review Team, consistent with GAC positions on issues of importance to the GAC. A GAC Small Group was formed for this purpose. Dependency: ICANN Org to launch ODP (Q1 2022 - TBC) Reference: ODP Reference Page (icann.org) incl. Webinar (28 Sep. 2021); ICANN Board Resolution (12 Sep. 2021); ODP Scoping Document 	Luisa Paez (CA), Jorge Cancio (CH)	3-6 mths	
Current TLD Policy	8b	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Representation	 Determine GAC representation (if any) for Phase 2 of the GNSO RPM PDP WG to review the UDRP, in response to an expected GNSO call for volunteers. Dependency: Initiation of GNSO Call for volunteers (Q4 2021?) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	3-6 mths	
Current TLD Policy	10	GNSO PDP: Transfer Policy Review Phase 1	 Monitor progress of GNSO Working Group - On 18 February 2021, the GNSO Council passed a resolution to initiate a two-phased PDP to review the Transfer Policy. The PDP working group is tasked with determining if changes to the policy are needed to improve the ease, security, and efficacy of inter-registrar and inter-registrant transfers. Reference: GNSO Council Project Page 	GAC Support and Leadership	3-6 mths	
RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	2	EPDP Phase 2: SSAD Financial Sustainability	 Consider providing input into cost/benefits analysis of the SSAD to the ICANN Board in the context of its expected consultation with the GNSO Council. Dependency: Advancement or completion of Operational Design Phase launched on 25 March 2021 and subsequent formal Board/GNSO Consultation (Q1/2 2022?) Reference: SSAD ODP Reference Page 	GAC Small Group	3-6 mths	
DNS Abuse Mitigation	5	Improve contract provisions and enforcement	 Consider concrete proposals to improve registry and registrar agreements for possible negotiation between ICANN and contracted parties, as well as proposals to improve contractual compliance enforcement (consistent with ICANN69 Communiqué and PSWG Update) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Session on DNS Abuse (Slides and Briefing) 	PSWG Co-Chairs	3-6 mths	

Topic/Policy			GAC Action/Decision	GAC	Timeline	
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.
			GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 3 to 6 Months			
ICANN Governance	6	Independent Review Panel - Community Representative Group (CRG)	GAC has two appointees on the members on the CRG. As of 14 October, work still has not yet begun. Appointees will report progress as appropriate.	TBD	3-6 mths	
GAC Operations	2	Next HLGM	Consider timing, format and planning of the next High Level Governmental Meeting - pending further ICANN org insights for prospects of future ICANN F2F public meetings Dependency: ICANN org determination to return to F2F or hybrid public meeting format	GAC Leadership	3-6 mths	
GAC Operations	8	GAC Assessment of Board Responses to GAC Communiques	Develop proposal for regular standardized approach that the GAC could undertake to review and assess Board responses to future GAC advice (e.g., the Board scorecard) for GAC consideration - Pending as discussions w/i BGIG continue - reflected as an "Ongoing" activity below	GAC Leadership / Support staff	3-6 mths	

Within 6 to 12 Months

Topic/Policy			GAC Action/Decision	GAC	Timeline		
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.	
			GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 6 to 12 Months				
Current TLD Policy	7	Country Names at 2nd Level Notification List - GAC Process	 Consider developing and documenting a formal process reflecting practices to date to ensure that changes to the Notification List are tracked appropriately, possibly displayed, and GAC Members are aware and able to maintain their preferences at any given point, considering the role of this list in ICANN Org documentation for registries Dependency: GAC Leadership direction and support staff planning. Reference: GAC Advice (8.a.) in the Singapore Communiqué (11 February 2015) 	GAC Support	6-12 mths		
Current TLD Policy	8c	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Deliberations	 Contribute to deliberations of the RPM PDP WG to review the UDRP and provide input on issues of importance to the GAC, consistent with relevant GAC Advice Dependency: Launch of RPM PDP Phase 2 Working Group (Q4 2021?) Reference: ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex (22 March 2021) 	Brian Beckham (WIPO)	6-12 mths		
IDNs and Universal Acceptance	1	IDN Root Zone Label Generation Rules	 Consider the proposals of Generation Panels developing Label Generation Rules (LGR) in all relevant scripts, as a mechanism to determine valid IDN TLDs and their variant labels for stable and secure operation of the Root Zone Reference documentation: LGR proposals RZ-LGR Info (ICANN org) 	TBD	6-12 mths		
IDNs and Universal Acceptance	2	Universal Acceptance	 Consider outputs and communications of the Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) as it relates to and in coordination with relevant initiatives in which GAC Members are involved. Reference documentation: Universal Acceptance (ICANN org) UASG 	TBD	6-12 mths		
IDNs and Universal Acceptance	4	ccNSO PDP4 on IDN ccTLD Strings	Monitor ccNSO Working Group on the (de)selection of IDN ccTLD strings. The WG is gradually making progress with defining the criteria, process and procedures for the selection of Internationalized Domain Name (IDN) ccTLD strings. The results of this ccPDP will eventually replace the IDN ccTLD Fast Track Process.	GAC Support	6-12 mths		
ICANN Governance	2	WS-2 Accountability Implementation	 Assess WS-2 Recommendations Applicable to the GAC Implement WS-2 Recommendations Applicable to the GAC Development of an Implementation Tool for Workstream 2 Accountability recommendations 	GAC Leadership	6-12 mths		

Topic/Policy			GAC	Timeline				
Area	#	Short Description	Description (including deliverable and dependencies)	Lead(s)	Due	Prio.		
	GAC Action/Decision needed or expected within 6 to 12 Months							
GAC Operations	10b	NomCom 2022	GAC to consider submission of input to 2021 NomCom	GAC Leadership/ Support	6-12 mths			

Planning Overview (per Topic/Policy Area)

Topic/Policy Area	#	Short Description	Ongoing	1 m.	1-3 m.	3-6 m.	6- 12 m.	12-18 m.	TBD	Complete or Closed
Subsequent Rounds of New	1	Input in Sub Pro PDP WG deliberations on Final Report								Updated 4 Feb.
gTLDs	2	Potential Minority Statement in Sub Pro PDP Final Report								Updated 4 Feb.
	3a	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - Public Comments on Final Outputs								Updated 1 June
	3b	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - Public Policy Concerns								Updated 4 June
	3c	Sub Pro PDP Recommendations - GAC Advice	Updated 24 Aug.							
	4	Operational Design Phase and Implementation of Sub Pro PDP Recs.				Updated 15 Aug				
	5	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 1 (TMCH Sunrise, URS) - Public Policy Concerns								Updated 15 Aug

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Current TLD Policy	1a	IGO Protections - Bylaw Consultation	Updated 5 Feb.							
	1b	IGO Protections - Clarifying Questions								Updarted 7 Oct.
	2	IGO Curative Protection Work Track Representation								Jan 2021
	3a	EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs (Ex IGO Curative Rights Protection Work Track)	Updated 24 Aug.							
	3b	Input on Initial Report EPDP on Specific Curative Rights for IGOs								Updated 25 Oct.
	4	IGO List Management - GAC Process	Updated 22 Feb.							
	5	African Union off of GAC IGO List								
	6	Voluntary PICs Change Process	Updated 29 Sep.							
	7	Country Names at 2nd Level Notification List - GAC Process								
	8a	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Chartering/Scoping	Updated 15 Aug.							
	8b	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Representation				Updated 29 Apr.				
	8c	GNSO RPM PDP Phase 2 (UDRP) Deliberations					Updated 29 Apr.			
	9	ccNSO PDP3 on the Retirement of ccTLDs								

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Current TLD Policy	10	GNSO PDP: Transfer Policy Review Phase 1				Updated 23 Oct				

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IDNs and Universal Acceptance	1	IDN Root Zone Label Generation Rules					Updated 14 Apr.			
	2	Universal Acceptance					Updated 14 Apr.			
	3a	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - Representation								Updated 15 Aug.
	3b	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - Policy Proposals	Updated 15 Aug.							
	3c	EPDP on Definition and Management of IDN variant TLDs - GAC Early Input	Created 29 Sep.							
	4	ccNSO PDP4 on IDN ccTLD Strings					Updated 23 Aug			

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RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	1	EPDP Phase 1 IRT	Updated 3 May							
	2	EPDP Phase 2: SSAD Financial Sustainability				Updated 25 Oct.				
	3a	EPDP Phase 2: Operational Design Phase	Updated 29 Apr.							
	3b	EPDP Phase 2 ODP: GAC and GAC Member Survey on SSAD	Updated 15 Aug.							
	4a	EPDP Phase 2 (Prio2 Rec. 19-22): Public Policy Concerns/Advice								Updated 29 Apr
	4b	EPDP Phase 2 (SSAD Rec. 1-18): Public Policy Concerns/Advice			Updated 14 Apr.					
	4c	EPDP Phase 2 GAC Advice								Updated 25 Oct.
	5	EPDP Phase 2a: Chair Requirements								
	6	EPDP Phase 2a: GAC Representation								
	7a	EPDP Phase 2a: Policy Proposals								Updated 9 Sep.
	7b	EPDP Phase 2a: Initial Report								Updated 15 Aug.
	7c	EPDP Phase 2a Public Policy Concerns/Advice			Updated 9 sep.					
	8a	Accuracy of Registration Data: GNSO Scoping Effort - GAC Representation								Updated 9 Sep.

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RDS/WHOIS and Data Protection	8b	Accuracy of Registration Data: GNSO Scoping Effort - GAC Contribution	Updated 25 Oct.							
	9	ICANN org dialogue on Issues in Minority Statement								Updated 5 Feb.
	10	Montreal Advice Follow-up	Updated 25 Oct.							
	11	RDS-WHOIS2 Review Implementation								

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DNS Abuse Mitigation	1	CCT Review Recommendations Implementation			Updated 3 May					
	2a	SSR2 Review Team Final Recommendations								Updated 3 May
	2b	SSR2 Review Recommendation Implementation	Updated 15 Aug							
	3	Assessment of SAC115 to Determine Next Steps								
	4	Community Work/Policy Development Options								
	5	Improve contract provisions and enforcement								
	6	Registrar Audit	Updated 25 Aug							

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ICANN Governance	1	Operational Design Phase								Updated 23 Feb.
	2	WS-2 Accountability Implementation								
	3	Independent Review Panel - CRG Appointment								Updated 29 Jan.
	4	ICANN FY22-26 Operating and Financial Plans								Updated 15 Feb
	5	Future of ICANN Meetings								Updated 18 Dec.
	6	Independent Review Panel - Community Representative Group (CRG)				Updated 15 Apr.				

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GAC Operations	1	Virtual Meetings and GAC Advice								Updated Mar. 2021
	2	Next HLGM				Updated 23 Oct				
	3	GAC Points of Contacts to SO/ACs								Updated 1 jan.
	4	Travel Support Rules								Updated 5 Feb.
	5	GAC Fellowship Representatives								Updated 29 Jan.
	6	Community Excellence Award Selection Panel								Updated Mar. 2021
	7	GAC Membership Engagement								
	8	GAC Assessment of Board Responses to GAC Communiques								
	9	Public Meeting Invitation Process								
	10a	NomCom 2021								Updated Mar. 2021
	10b	NomCom 2022					Updated 25 Aug			
	11	Leadership Elections	Updated 25 Oct							
	12	Empowered Community			Updated 25 Aug					