
GAC Meeting with the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC)

Session 6

Session Agenda

The GAC and the At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) regularly meet during ICANN Public Meetings to discuss public policy matters of interest to both government stakeholders and Internet end-users.

At ICANN83, the groups will continue to exchange views on topics of similar interest by focusing on:

- 1. Applicant Support Program (ASP) – Equity in the Next gTLD Round**
- 2. Public Interest Frameworks and Advisory Roles**

ALAC and GAC Discussion Focus

1. Applicant Support Program (ASP) - Equity in the Next gTLD Round

Focus: Promoting meaningful uptake of ASP and exploring how GAC and ALAC can jointly influence outreach and evaluation to support underserved applicants.

2. Public Interest Framework and Advisory Roles

Focus: Strengthening cooperation between GAC and ALAC in articulating and upholding the public interest in ICANN's policy development processes.

This topic offers a valuable opportunity to explore how both GAC and ALAC understand and operationalize the “public interest” in their advisory capacities. The ICANN83 session will include a short overview of the frameworks or guiding principles used by each group, that could support a focused and constructive discussion, particularly as ICANN advances into the new gTLD program next round.

Background

The ALAC is the primary ICANN-designated organizational home for the voices and concerns of individual Internet end users. Representing the At-Large Community, the 15-member ALAC consists of two members selected by each of the five Regional At-Large Organizations (RALOs) and five members appointed by ICANN's Nominating Committee. Advocating for the interests of end-users,

the ALAC advises on the activities of ICANN, including Internet policies developed by ICANN's Supporting Organizations.

The GAC and ALAC have been meeting at ICANN Public Meetings in order to coordinate and discuss ICANN policy issues of common interest. In the past they have worked to develop joint statements on certain policy and operational topics.

Key Reference Documents

- [ICANN83 GAC Briefing on New gTLD Program ext Round Session](#)

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