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ICANN74 GAC Opening Plenary

Monday, 13 June 2022

ICANN | GAC
Governmental Advisory Committee



Opening Plenary Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions - Review Session Agenda
2. ICANN74 Week - GAC Block Schedule
3. Overview of Logistics and Technical Capabilities
4. Committee Tour de Table
5. GAC Working Group Updates
 - a. GAC Operating Principles Evolution Working Group
 - b. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group
 - c. GAC IGO Small Group
6. Review Communiqué Drafting Process
7. Other Notable GAC Work Since ICANN73
 - a. SO-AC Chairs Interactions
 - b. BGIG Discussions
 - c. Other Developments



2. GAC ICANN74 Meeting (Block Schedule)

Monday 13 June (Day 1)		Tuesday 14 June (Day 2)		Wednesday 15 June (Day 3)		Thursday 16 June (Day 4)		UTC+2
SubPro: Working Together on Progress (60 mins)		5. Preparation for Meeting with the ICANN Board (60 mins)		9. GAC Meeting with ALAC (60 mins)		11.d. GAC Communique [if needed] (60 mins)		9:00
Break		Break		Break		Break		9:15
1. GAC Opening Plenary (incl. WG Updates) (90 mins)	GNSO EPDP on IDNs#1 (60 mins)	Plenary Session: Five Year Follow Up to Who Sets ICANN's Priorities? (90 mins)		10. GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board (90 mins)	GNSO EPDP on IDNs#2 (90 mins)	11.e. GAC Communique [if needed] (90 mins)		9:30
Break		Break		Break		Break		9:45
Lunch Break (75 mins)	Leadership Meeting (12:00-12:30)	Lunch Break (75 mins)	Leadership Meeting (12:00-12:30)	Lunch Break (75 mins)	Leadership Meeting (12:00-12:30)	Lunch Break (75 mins)		10:00
2. GAC Discussion on Subsequent Rounds (75 mins)		6. WHOIS and Data Protection (75 mins)		11.a. GAC Communique (75 mins)	GNSO Council Meeting (75 mins)	11.f. GAC Communique [if needed] (75 mins)	GNSO DNS Abuse Small Team (60 mins)	10:15
Break		Break		Break		Break		10:30
3. GAC Meeting with GNSO (60 mins)		7.a. DNS Abuse Mitigation (60 mins)		11.b. GAC Communique (60 mins)	GNSO Council Meeting (60 mins)	12. GAC Wrap-Up (60 mins)		10:45
Break		Break		Break		Break		11:00
4. GAC Social (60 mins)	GNSO EPDP on IDNs#1 (60 mins)	7.b. DNS Abuse Mitigation (30 mins)	8. GAC Communique Review/Prep (30 mins)	11.c. GAC Communique (60 mins)		Geopolitical Forum (60 mins)		11:15
Networking Hour (60 mins)		Networking Hour (60 mins)		Networking Hour (60 mins)		Networking Hour (60 mins)		11:30
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GAC Plenary Sessions
GAC Joint Sessions
Community Sessions
GAC Communique

Official times for ICANN74
09:00-17:30 (CET, UTC+2)

3. ICANN74 - Overview of Logistics and Technical Capabilities

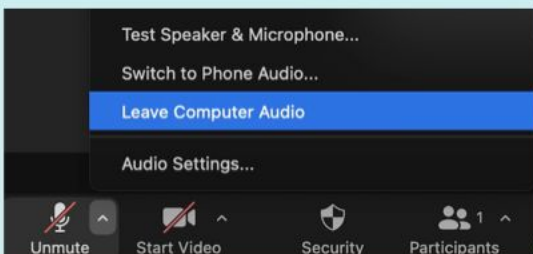
- Notes for All Attendees
 - Zoom Session Infrastructure and Protocols:
 - **Before** the session
 - Calendar Invites in advance (24-hour link info)
 - Session pages on GAC website for materials
 - **During** the session
 - Requesting Floor Procedure (all on-site and virtual participants)
 - Raise Hand via Zoom room
 - Turn on video; Turn on microphone
 - Interpretation - 6 UN Languages
 - Available through Zoom system; pick Language in Zoom
 - Interpreters working remotely
 - Identify yourself and speak slowly and clearly for interpreters
 - **After** the session
 - Recordings and transcripts available on GAC web site
 - Notes for In-person Attendees
 - Health and Safety Protocols (masks, distancing, breaks)
 - Stay in Seats
 - Troubleshooting/real time - ICANN74Feedback@icann.org



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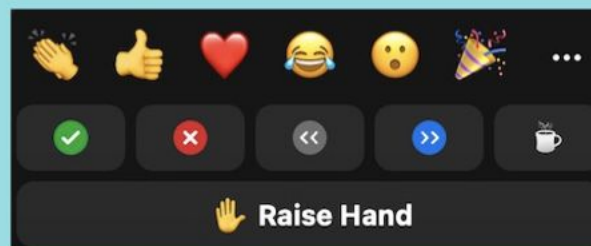
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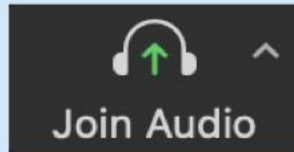
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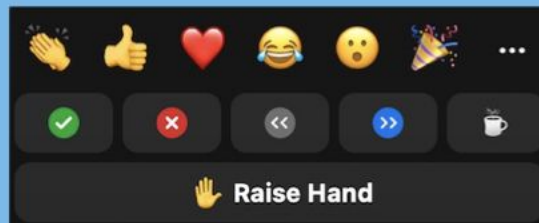
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Turn on your **Zoom Video** to be seen by other participants.



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Raise your hand in **Zoom Reactions** to join the speaking queue.



4

Unmute your **Zoom Audio** when called upon to speak.



4. Tour de Table

For the first time since ICANN66 in November 2019, the GAC Chair will open the floor to GAC representatives and delegates to introduce themselves and share any short comments or statements they would like to make.

The remarks will begin with the Netherlands government representative to the GAC, and then introductions will follow the table seating within the GAC meeting room in The World Forum. After in-room attendees have introduced themselves, remote participants will be invited to raise their hands in the Zoom room and provide their own introductions when recognized.



5. GAC Working Group Updates

- A. GAC Operating Principles Evolution Working Group
- B. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group
- C. GAC IGO Small Group



5A. GAC Operating Principles Evolution Working Group

Developments since ICANN73

- As discussed at ICANN73 and in preparation for the upcoming session at ICANN74, the GOPE WG has been updating the GAC Working Group Guidelines, as outlined in the GOPE WG [Work Plan](#) for 2022 and 2023 (adopted at ICANN73).
- The GOPE WG updated existing GAC Working Group Guidelines taking into account:
 - GAC membership input received at ICANN73;
 - Further intersessional review; and
 - Input received from GAC Working Group Chairs/Co-Chairs.
- The purpose of the GAC Working Group Guidelines is to provide recommendations on how Working Groups should be established, run and closed within the GAC.
- Please note these remain guidelines and are therefore intended to include flexibility.
- During the GAC review period no comments were received asking for a delay in endorsement. One GAC Member (UK) responded in support of the work conducted and encouraging discussion at ICANN74.

5A. GAC Operating Principles Evolution Working Group (cont.)

GAC WG Guidelines

- Text was streamlined across the document to match current practice within GAC WGs and to avoid repetitions.
- Document renamed from “Framework of GAC WG Guidelines” to “GAC WG Guidelines”.
- Work Plan section: updated to reflect the concept WGs should develop and update their work plans annually, reflecting current practice.
- An updated section on Working Group outputs, which was thoroughly discussed at ICANN73, notably removing mention of “*consensus*” which was replaced by “*agreement*” when not referring to GAC consensus advice or official GAC positions;
- Balanced participation from underserved regions was added to the membership section as discussed at ICANN73; and
- A new template was created to outline the proposal for a new working group.

5A. GAC Operating Principles Evolution Working Group (cont.)

Next Steps

- **ICANN74:** GAC to confirm endorsement of the GAC WG Guidelines.
- **July - Sep. 2022:** GOPE WG to begin review of GAC Operating Principles
- **ICANN75:** Update GAC Membership of progress on GAC Operating Principles review/recommendations.
- **Oct. 2022 - Feb. 2023:** GOPE WG to continue review of GAC Operating Principles.
- **ICANN76:** Update GAC Membership of progress on GAC Operating Principles review.
- **Apr. - June 2023:** Continue reviewing GAC Operating Principles.
- **ICANN77:** Update GAC Membership of progress on GAC Operating Principles review.
- **July - Oct. 2023:** GOPE WG to finalize review of GAC Operating Principles.
- **ICANN78:** Submit final recommendations of GAC Operating Principles for GAC review.

5B. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group

WS2

- ❑ **Work Stream 2:** focused on addressing accountability topics for which a timeline for developing solutions and full implementation could extend beyond the IANA Stewardship Transition.
- ❑ November 2018 - [WS2 Final Report](#).
- ❑ November 2019 - Board Approval of consensus recommendations.
- ❑ Accepted recommendations (100+) - Some recommendations fully or partially implemented.
- ❑ WS2 continues to remain an area of priority for ICANN org
- ❑ GAC involvement in WS 2 Recommendations Implementation
<https://gac.icann.org/activity/gac-involvement-in-work-stream-2-recommendations-implementation>

5B. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group

ICANN 73

- ❑ The GAC HRILWG reviewed the GAC Perspective Proposal document on Work Stream 2 Recommendation 1.1, on the definition of diversity, and particularly on each of the seven elements of diversity identified in the report.
- ❑ The Working Group took into account the additional element proposed by the GAC in regards to diversity in views, and shared the document with the newly formed Community Coordination Group (CCG) for future community-wide discussion.

- ❑ GAC Perspective Proposal document on Work Stream 2 Recommendation 1.1
 1. Geographic or Regional Representation
 2. Language
 3. Gender
 4. Age
 5. Disability
 6. Diverse Skills
 7. Stakeholder Group or Constituency
 8. *Diversity of resources for meaningful participation*
 9. *Diversity in attendance*

5B. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group

❑ **Community Coordination Group (CCG)**

- ❑ CCG was formed to serve as a forum for: Coordinating, prioritizing (as applicable), updating and reporting on each individual group's implementation progress, including exchanging best practices;
- ❑ Coordinating community work on a set of recommendations that warrant a uniform community-wide approach.
- ❑ Focus on Rec 1 Diversity, Rec 2 Guidelines, Rec 3 Human Rights

❑ **Community Coordination Group (CCG) - recent activities**

- ❑ 05.04.2022. - 1st meeting - Attendees did agree with the proposal to begin the group's discussions with Recommendation 1.1 (diversity elements).
- ❑ 20.04.2022. - Kickstarting the Community Coordination Group discussion on Rec 1.1 (diversity elements) on the CCG mailing list
- ❑ 05.05.2022. – 2nd meeting -Taking CCG participants through the GAC approach to diversity on the call
 - ❑ WS2 CCG Action Items - Members to work with their community groups regarding WS2 diversity recommendation 1.1.

5B. GAC Human Rights and International Law Working Group

Current discussion within CCG

- ❑ **A first test/experiment of sign language interpretation**
- ❑ **Possible additional elements of diversity**
 - ❑ **Diversity of resources for meaningful participation:** Diversity is not only determined by geographic and linguistic matters for instance, but also by the economic availability of resources that could have a very large impact on access to ICANN services (e.g Internet connectivity) or by the diversity of expectations.

A digital divide, for instance, can exist within the same geographic area, language and age groups, but can also be determined by an economic and cultural dimension. The concept of “Meaningful connectivity” as defined by UNSG Roadmap for Digital Cooperation is helpful in conceptualizing this kind of diversity.

- ❑ **Diversity in attendance:** Moving towards a future of hybrid meetings, this new situation will create different levels of participation and engagement whether participants are online/remote versus participants physically present at a meeting. The current COVID-19 situation should not preclude participants from attending ICANN Meetings.

The GAC welcomes the efforts undertaken since the pandemic, allowing stakeholders to attend ICANN Meetings virtually and looks forward to ICANN’s hybrid meeting model currently being developed and to be tested at a future ICANN Meeting.

5C. GAC IGO Small Group

GAC IGO Small Group Activities since ICANN73:

- Following developments from the EPDP on Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs.
- Updating the GAC Mechanism to Update the IGO List.

EPDP on Specific Curative Rights Protections for IGOs

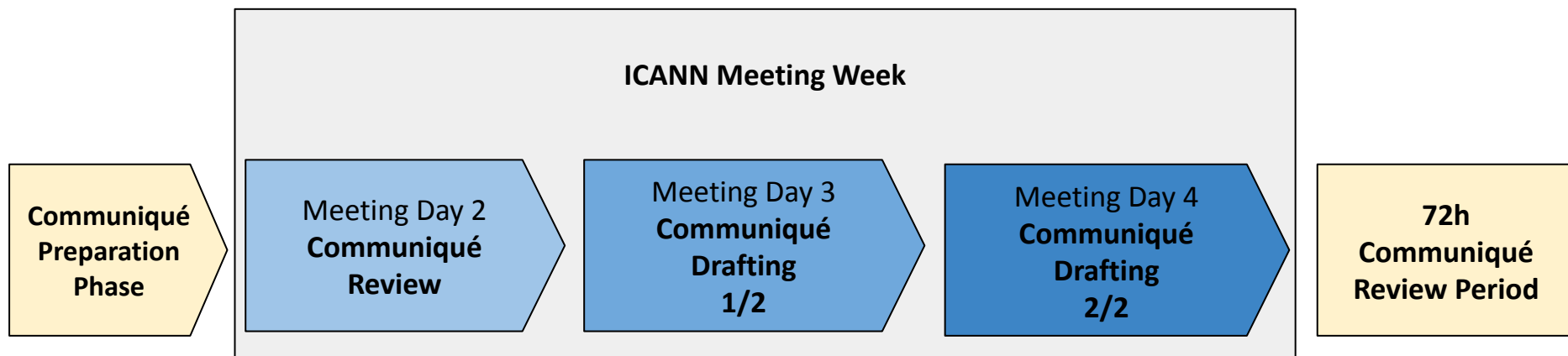
- On 4 April 2022, the EPDP delivered its [Final Report](#) to the GNSO Council for review. The Council was scheduled to conduct a vote on the EPDP Team's Final Report during its May meeting but a deferral request was received and granted.
- The GNSO Council is expected to vote on the EPDP Final Report at its meeting at ICANN74.
- Prior to ICANN Board consideration of the Final Report, it will be submitted for public comment, providing an opportunity for GAC members to submit input as appropriate.
- Further review of the EPDP Final Report may be conducted by GAC Members in preparation for the public comment proceeding, and for more substantive discussions at ICANN75.

5C. GAC IGO Small Group (cont.)

Proposed Mechanism to Update IGO List:

- Since ICANN73, GAC IGO Small Group continued its review of the Proposed Mechanism to Update the IGO List.
- 4 May 2022: The Proposed Mechanism was submitted to GAC Membership for review and input.
- Following input received, the IGO Small Group will need to further discuss proposed changes, in collaboration with GAC Leadership. More tangible update to be expected by ICANN75.
- The draft process includes:
 - Criteria for Protection of IGOs in gTLDs ([2013 Criteria](#));
 - Steps for a requestor to to join/withdraw from the GAC IGO list;
 - Who to submit the request to (GAC Chair via gac leadership mailing list);
 - Confirmation of awareness of repercussions if requesting withdrawal from IGO list;
 - Notification from GAC Chair to ICANN org for updating systems used to implement the Protections of IGO Names and Acronyms in gTLDs;
 - Notification from GAC chair to Requestor once ICANN org confirms implementation of request to join/leave IGO list;
 - A standard briefing for IGOs to know how to join/leave the GAC IGO List (to be developed).

6. GAC Communiqué Development ICANN74



Decision by GAC Chair,
based on advancement of Drafting,
to close live collaboration on the document in the interest of clarity
and stability of the text

Draft Communiqué Google Doc
Open for live contributions by GAC Members

Draft Communiqué Google Doc
Edited only through GAC Support Staff

Drafters of Communiqué Text are encouraged, at any stage of Communiqué développement, to **use the GAC Support Team as a resource to research precedent, ensure accuracy of references and consistency with usual practice** as needed

6. ICANN74 Communiqué Collaborative Drafting

ICANN68 GAC Communiqué - Google Docs

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IV. Issues of Importance to the GAC

1. [INSERT Issue]

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2. [INSERT Issue]

[INSERT Text]

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1. Make sure you are in “suggesting” mode (should be by default)

2. Propose you text where appropriate

3. Identify Author (GAC Representation or Group of drafters)

4. Don't forget to hit “Reply” otherwise your edits will not be identified

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Suggesting
Edits become suggestions

Viewing
Read or print final document

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Add: “Propose your text here”

Identify your GAC Representation here

Reply Cancel

7. Other Notable Developments Since ICANN73

- a. **GAC Community Interaction ([SO-AC Chairs](#), BGIG, etc.)**
- Community Leadership (SO-AC leaders) meet regularly before ICANN public meetings to review matters of cross-community impact
 - Topics of recent SO-AC Chair Roundtables included:
 - Community Prioritization and Planning - for both ICANN org and individual communities
 - Sharing of SO-AC community priorities and methodologies
 - Return to In-Person and Hybrid Public Meetings (ICANN74)



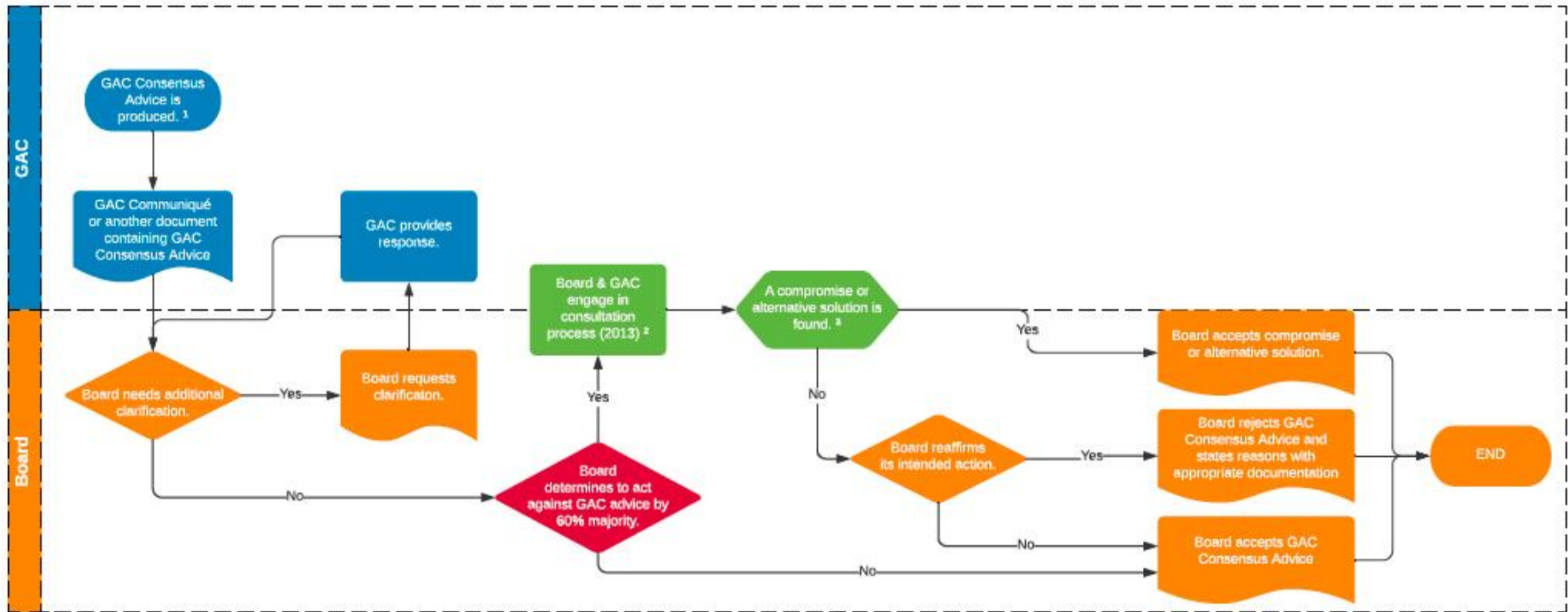
7. Other Notable Developments Since ICANN73

b. GAC Community Interaction (SO-AC Chairs, [BGIG](#), etc.)

- The Board GAC Interaction Group (BGIG) includes a subset of Board Members and interested GAC Members.
- The BGIG has proven to be an effective venue for discussions to ensure effective Board and GAC collaboration and communication
- Most recently (24 May) the group has discussed:
 - ICANN73 GAC Communiqué - Issues of Importance
 - More active consideration of additional “info sharing” (e.g., info to GAC on previous round of new gTLDs) - Time permitting, this may be discussed with Board on Wednesday
- BGIG Membership open to any interested GAC representative

7. Other Notable Developments Since ICANN73

Process for Board Consideration of GAC Consensus Advice



¹ GAC Consensus Advice is defined in Section 12.2(a)(x) of the Bylaws

² The full timeline, steps and possible outcomes of the [Board-GAC Consultation Process \(2013\)](#) are linked here.

³ This process could result in a GAC determination to revise or modify its existing advice, which would end this process flow and direct the matter back to the GAC's internal processes (which are not reflected in this flow chart).

7.c. Other Notable Developments Since ICANN73

- Active PSWG Attention to RDS/WHOIS and DNS Abuse Matters
- Correspondence (5 Incoming - 2 outgoing)
- > 150 New GAC participants since ICANN66 (Nov2019)
- 21 New GAC Participants since ICANN73

