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GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board

Wednesday, 15 June 2022
Session 10

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Governmental Advisory Committee



Agenda:

- Introductions
- Discussion of GAC Topics/Questions
 - SSAD Light Prioritization and Community-driven Solutions Being Built
 - Accuracy Registration Data
 - Follow-Up Regarding Global Public Interest (GPI) Framework
- Discussion of Future GAC Information Opportunities
- AOB



Discussion of GAC Topics/Questions

1. SSAD Light Prioritization and Community-driven Solutions Being Built
2. Accuracy Registration Data
3. Follow-Up Regarding Global Public Interest (GPI) Framework



1. SSAD Light Prioritization and Community-driven Solutions Being Built

- a. How can the ICANN Board ensure that an evaluation of an SSAD Light concept is completed in a timely manner?
- b. Is the ICANN Board aware, and if so, what are its views, on community-driven proposals for implementations of GDPR-compliant registration data disclosure systems?
- c. Given efforts on the SSAD developments to date, has the Board developed any general perspectives on the general usefulness and scope of the system concept?



2. **Accuracy of Registration Data** (In connection with ICANN's planned outreach to Data Protection Authorities for Guidance)
 - a. Has ICANN org requested and/or received legal advice on the issue of whether there is a legal basis for ICANN org to access registration data for purposes of accuracy verifications?



3. Follow-Up Regarding Global Public Interest (GPI) Framework

Background

- The GAC recognizes the importance of incorporating GPI considerations into policy development and decision-making at ICANN.
- The GAC conducted several discussions at ICANN73 and GPI was an “Issue of Importance” in the GAC ICANN73 Communiqué (including, this language - “The requirement of inclusiveness established in the Articles of Incorporation should be explicitly enshrined in the GPI framework.”)
- This particular language has prompted interest from some Board members who have suggested that it would be useful to clarify what the GAC meant by the term.
- Subsequently, the GAC has continued internal discussions regarding the concept of inclusiveness as something that goes beyond openness in the direction of meaningful participation. GAC members look forward to future conversations with the Board about GPI - including its application to the current SSAD ODP.

3. Follow-Up Regarding Global Public Interest (GPI) Framework

GAC Questions

- a. The GAC noted in the “Issues of importance to the GAC” section of the ICANN73 GAC Communiqué that: “The GPI framework could be adapted and applied by all ACs and SOs in their work, including, for example, through the process of developing and endorsing policy recommendations, decisions and public comments.” **How has the Board considered advancing discussion with the different ACs and SOs on ways to take into account the global public interest, as part of their work and outputs?**
- b. In addition, the GAC noted that “the initial application of the GPI to the SSAD ODA appears to have been limited”. **What measures could the Board take to ensure that “public interest concerns are not only considered but effectively addressed”?**

Discussion of Future GAC Information Opportunities

Background

- Board and GAC have made substantial progress in last few years on interaction and collaboration
- Opportunities are coming up to build on this progress (e.g., Next round of New gTLDs)
- GAC Played a significant role in development of the Applicant Guidebook for the first round of new gTLDs.

Discussion

- GAC is playing an important role in policy development and discussions about the next round and Board is interested in continued effective engagement
- Help get newer GAC participants up-to-speed to prepare for next round
- Discussion of sharing Org paper summarizing how GAC Advice was considered during first round of new gTLDs
- Consider methods for future Board-GAC dialogue on this topic (e.g., topic-specific webinars and briefings, etc.)

