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ICANN74 - GAC Wrap-Up

Thursday, 16 June 2021

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Agenda

- A. 2022 GAC Leadership Election Briefing
- B. Identification of Substantive Next Steps for ICANN74 Follow-Up
- C. Discuss Planning for Next GAC High Level Governmental Meeting
- D. Assess GAC ICANN74 Public Meeting Implementation
- E. Key Post-ICANN74 Meeting Dates
- F. Adjourn GAC ICANN74 Meeting



A. GAC 2022 Leadership Election

Background

- GAC leadership elections process begins here at ICANN74 and concludes at ICANN75 (17-22 September 2022)
- Open seats: GAC Chair and Five (5) GAC Vice Chairs
 - GAC Chair is term-limited
 - Four current Vice Chairs are eligible for re-election
- Nomination period from ICANN74 until 05 August 2022
- More than one nomination for Chair and/or five nominations for Vice Chair will activate a balloting period.



A. GAC 2022 Leadership Election (cont.)

Nomination Process

- Nominations should be made by email to gac-staff@icann.org with a copy to the GAC list
- Nominations (including self-nominations) are possible for all six positions
- Staff will send an email confirmation to the nominator that the nomination has been recorded
- If third-party nomination, staff will also verify that the nominee is willing to stand for election
- GAC website election page will track all nominations - <https://gac.icann.org/activity/gac-2022-chair-and-vicechairs-elections>



A. GAC 2022 Leadership Election (cont.)

Balloting Considerations

- After the nomination period has closed, staff will inform the GAC by email about the list of nominees for the open positions – and clarify whether balloting is necessary.
- If balloting is necessary, electronic “Tally” system will be used.
- Tally has been used by GAC for the 2017 and 2019 elections and GNSO for more than 10 prior years for elections and voting on documents.
- Tally system is based on the electorate being identified by email addresses.
- Default assumption that the first named representative (and email address) on the website entry for the GAC Member will be the voting delegate.
- Important that all GAC Members check their web site records and notify gac-staff@icann.org if another listed individual and/or another email address should be used for the election.
- Staff will confirm receipt of such notifications by email.

A. GAC 2022 GAC Leadership Election (cont.)

General/Collective Chair-Vice Chair Responsibilities

- Manage/Coordinate GAC Operations, including Public Meetings
- Coordinate GAC Relationships with Broader ICANN Community
- Coordinate GAC Contributions to Cross Community Activities

GAC Chair Responsibilities

- See Operating Principles - 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 50, 51

Vice Chair Commitments/Duties/Opportunities

- GAC Operating Principles;
 - Serve in Absence of the Chair (GAC OP #25) at GAC Meetings
- Regular C-VC Meeting (every 2-3 weeks)
- Many Emails
- Meetings with Other SO-AC Leadership Teams
- Meetings with ICANN Execs
- Leadership Training Workshops at ICANN Meetings



A. GAC 2022 Vice Chair Election (cont.)

Important Election Dates:

- Nomination period begins with end of ICANN74
- ending on 5 August 2022
- Balloting period – if necessary, 29 August through
20 September 2022 (ending during ICANN75)
- New Terms begin – March 2023 (after ICANN76)



B. Identification of Substantive Next Steps for ICANN74 Follow-Up

- Subsequent Rounds of New gTLDs
 - Operational Design Phase
 - Closed Generics
 - Potential GAC Advice
- Continued GAC Engagement in GNSO EPDP Policy and Implementation Matters
- Data Accuracy Next Steps
- DNS Abuse Mitigation Strategies
- IGO Protections List Update
- GOPE WG Review of Operating Principles
- Volunteering Opportunities:
 - GAC Chair and Vice Chairs (nominations)
 - GAC UA-IDN WG Chair
 - GAC Point of Contact with the UASG
- GAC Capacity Building Planning



C. Planning for Next High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM)

- Approximately once every two years one of the GAC Members hosts a High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM) in conjunction with an ICANN public meeting and in addition to the usual GAC meeting.
- The concept grew out of recommendations made by previous Accountability and Transparency Review Teams (ATRT1 and ATRT2)
- Previous HLGM's have taken place in Toronto (ICANN45), London (ICANN50), Marrakesh (ICANN55) and Barcelona (ICANN63).HLGM page on GAC Web site - <https://gac.icann.org/meeting-services/guidelines-for-high-level-government-meetings>
- As a consequence of the recent global pandemic, no HLGM has been held since ICANN63

C. Planning for Next High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM)

The HLGM provides a number of opportunities:

- **Reaffirm the critical role that governments play** in providing advice to the ICANN Board on public-policy issues as it relates to the secure and stable functioning of the Domain Name System.
- **Enable all parties to gain a clearer understanding** of the role of governments in ICANN processes, including the GAC.
- **Discuss current public policy issues and challenges at a very senior level.** These discussions can occur between government and government, as well as between governments and the ICANN leadership group.
- **Expose very senior administrative officials and senior elected officials** (Ministers, members of legislative bodies) **to ICANN**, allowing them to gain a greater understanding of the organization and the issues it deals with. In turn, this may lead to better support for and resourcing of GAC representatives within their home administrations.
- **Reach out** to administrations and governments who are not yet, or not currently, represented on the GAC or in other ICANN forums.

C. Planning for Next High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM)

- No decision has yet been made about the next HLGM (timetable or location)
- Traditionally, meeting host governments came forward on their own - but now meeting locations determined far in advance
- Input from GAC members regarding views on options and next planning steps is most welcomed.



D. Assess GAC ICANN74 Meeting Implementation

- Opening Session Feedback
- Preparation for and Meeting with ICANN Board
- Assessment of Community Bilateral Meetings (e.g., ALAC and GNSO)
 - Preparation Methodology
 - Effectiveness of Format
- Assessment/Feedback on Communique Drafting
- Feedback on In-Person Experiences
- Feedback on Remote Attendee Experiences
- Any Additional Thoughts Regarding Future GAC/ICANN Public Meetings?



E. Key Post-ICANN74 Meeting Dates

- Publication of GAC ICANN 74 Communique - 20 June
- ICANN74 GAC Minutes ~ July 2022
- Topics for ICANN75 (policy topics, WG updates, joint sessions) ~ due mid-July 2022
- 2022 GAC Election Nomination Period Closes - 5 August
- ICANN74 GAC Agenda Setting Call (to review preliminary agenda) ~ early August 2022
- ICANN75 - Scheduled for 17-22 September; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Adjourn

