GAC Welcome Webinar

Friday, 2 June 2023
13:00 UTC
Introduction - Our Goals

❖ Welcome!
❖ Familiarize you with overall GAC Operations and Meeting Logistics (tour of GAC website resource highlights)
❖ Provide a brief overview of the ICANN77 GAC Public Meeting (what to expect)
❖ GAC Communiqué Process Overview (time permitting)
❖ Answer your questions
Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

- Established in 1999
- The voice of Governments and Intergovernmental Organizations (IGOs) in ICANN’s multi-stakeholder structure
- Key Roles of the Committee:
  - Provide advice to the ICANN Board *per ICANN Board request or on its own initiative*
  - Provide input and advice on issues of public policy, *especially where there may be interaction between ICANN’s activities or policies and national laws or international agreements*
- Input from government perspective on ICANN operational matters
GAC Membership: Structure and Evolution (RH)

Source: Attendance data as reported in GAC Communiqués
## GAC Participation Dynamics - “Virtual Time” Statistics

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Participant Demographics - Delegates ever-changing

- 244 new participants since ICANN66 (3.5 years)
- 77 new participants since ICANN74 (1 year)
- 37 new participants just since ICANN76
GAC Working Methods

- GAC Operating Principles
Operating Principles

● The GAC manages its own set of Operating Principles (51) - https://gac.icann.org/operating-principles/operating-principles-june-2017
● Current version of GAC Operating Principles date back to June 2017
  Amendments made in 2015 to allow for 5 Vice-Chairs and to allow for electronic voting
● GAC Operating Principles tend to be general in nature (flexibility)
● Overall GAC Operating Principles are currently under review by a committee working group (GOPE WG)
● Implications for GAC Due to Recent ICANN Reviews
  Work Stream 2 Accountability
GAC Information Sharing (RH)

**Written Documents**
- Tracking documents enable “quick looks” at topics/issues/progress (e.g., A/D Radar)
- Collaboration Documents (Google)
- Individual Session and Issue briefings created by GAC Support SMEs
- ICANN org-produced documents
- Document Links - Standard sharing mechanism in committee emails
- Primary Email Channel ([gac@icann.org](mailto:gac@icann.org)) for Info Sharing

**Oral Briefings**
- GAC Briefings/Webinars
- ICANN org Briefings/Webinars to GAC
- General ICANN org briefs and webinars

**GAC Website**
- Central Repository for GAC Documentation

**ICANN Terminology**
- ICANN org “Glossary” and “Acronyms and Terms” pages
The GAC Action/Decision Radar aims to provide an exhaustive picture of all foreseeable and envisioned GAC outputs with an estimate of timing, indications of dependencies, the anticipated level of effort and key reference documentation.

- It was developed during the COVID-19 pandemic by the GAC Support Team in collaboration with the GAC Leadership and in consultation with several GAC Members.
- It is available in two formats:
  - a live version at [http://go.icann.org/gac-adr](http://go.icann.org/gac-adr) (which GAC Support Staff updates continuously as events warrant)
  - a PDF snapshot, circulated on regular basis and memorialized on this page - [https://gac.icann.org/activity/gac-action-decision-radar](https://gac.icann.org/activity/gac-action-decision-radar).
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  * Dependency: Council to form charter/scoping team (timing to be confirmed), 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 (expectation to be published for public comment in March 2022).  
  * Reference: [ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex](#) (22 March 2021)  
  ICANN70 GAC Session (22 March 2021) | Brian Beckham (WIPO) | 3-6 mths |
| 8c | 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 |
| 8d | 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 2021 ?)  
  * Reference: [ICANN70 GAC Briefing and Annex](#) (22 March 2021) | Brian Beckham (WIPO) | 6-12 mths |
| 9a | ccNSO PDP3 on the Retirement of ccTLDs - Policy | **Consider public policy aspects of the ccNSO Policy Recommendations** to the ICANN Board regarding the Retirement of ccTLDs (ccNSO PDP3 Part 1)  
  * Dependency: **Public Comment period** on Part 1 Recommendations (closing 12 January 2022) and expected ICANN Board letter to the GAC for consideration of public policy concerns (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 recommendations (Part 1 - 19 October 2021); Board Letter to GAC regarding Public comment proceeding received on 6 December 2021 | Completed GAC Response (31 Jan. 2022) to ICANN Board letter to the GAC for consideration of public policy concerns (6 Dec. 2021) |
| 9b | ccNSO PDP3 on the Retirement of ccTLDs - Review Mechanism | **Monitor consideration by the ccNSO of a Review Mechanism** for decisions pertaining to the delegation, transfer, revocation and retirement of ccTLDs (ccNSO PDP3 Part 2).  
  * References: ccNSO PDP3 information on ccNSO website and [Wiki workspace](#) | | 6-12 mths |
Leveraging GAC Web Site Resources
ICANN Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

The GAC serves as the voice of Governments and International Governmental Organizations in ICANN’s multistakeholder representative structure.

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Impact
For more than two decades, the GAC has consistently provided information and advice to the ICANN Board and community through 79 Communiqués, numerous community public comments and many pieces of direct correspondence.

Current Work
GAC participants offer the views of governments and IGOs on many substantive policy topics and operational matters impacting the work of ICANN.
Learn about these work efforts, including GAC Working Groups and other membership.

Membership
There are 179 Member governments and 38 Observer organizations in the GAC. The roster of GAC Member representatives is constantly evolving. New government Members are always welcome.

Meet Our Members and
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Meetings & Records

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ICANN77 Hybrid Meeting Agenda

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Washington DC, USA 12 June 2023 - 15 June 2023
GAC Website Tour - ICANN Meetings (GT)

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Introduction

Management of the GAC ICANN77 Washington, USA Hybrid Meeting:

(GAC Members login recommended)

The ICANN77 Policy Forum will be held in Washington, D.C. USA. The meeting will be conducted as a hybrid event to accommodate both in-person and virtual attendance. The GAC meeting schedule for the ICANN77 Policy Forum has been developed to leverage that format.

The GAC public meeting during ICANN77 will cover a total of five (5) calendar days from Sunday 11 June to Thursday 15 June 2023. The first day, Sunday 11 June, will feature a half-day program including three session blocks providing an array of topics to inform and reinforce the understanding of how DNS abuse is being addressed by ICANN and the GAC. Specific sessions will include: (1) a recap of two informational webinars conducted during May 2023 for interested GAC delegates; (2) an overview of ongoing contract amendment negotiations being conducted between ICANN and contracted parties regarding new approaches for addressing abuse circumstances, and (3) discussions among the GAC as to what approach governments may take during future public comment opportunities on these topics.

The remaining 4 days of the meeting (Monday through Thursday) will feature eight (8) individual real-time topic sessions and up to five (5) Communiqué drafting sessions for GAC attendees. The rest of the ICANN77 program will involve cross-community sessions including cross community session on the ICANN Board meeting, a community public forum and full community sessions regarding geopolitical matters and potential improvements to the multistakeholder model.

GAC Meeting Schedule:

- A copy of the most current GAC ICANN77 block schedule can be found at:

- The overall ICANN77 block schedule will be available at:
  https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77
Other Resource Briefing Documents:

In addition to the resources on this web page, GAC Support staff is compiling preparation materials to help attendees fully utilize the remote connection services and resources that are being provided by ICANN org for the ICANN77 Policy Forum. That documentation is developed for every GAC meeting in the form of a “one-stop” reference manual that consolidates various notices and reminders about meeting planning and logistics. A web link to the ICANN org document will be posted on this page after an email notice is made to GAC Members and Observers.

As they become available, this web page section will also provide links to preview and briefing documents prepared by the GNSO Support staff and the ICANN org Policy Development Support team.

- GAC ICANN77 Meeting Details
- GNSO ICANN77 Briefing
- ICANN77 Policy Outlook Report

For each ICANN Public Meeting, the ICANN organization (“ICANN org”) also publishes a general meeting details for meeting attendees. You may find more details at the following link: ICANN Meetings Participation Details

Please contact GAC Support Staff at gac-staff@icann.org if you have questions about accessing any of these briefing documents.
ICANN77 - Session 1 - GAC Opening Plenary
14:45 - 16:15 UTC

Topics Discussed:  GAC Activities, ICANN Meetings

Session Details:
This opening session provides an opportunity for a welcome and Introduction of the meeting week by the GAC Chair. The session also features the traditional "tour de table" introduction of meeting attendees and an overview and preliminary review of the ICANN77 GAC Communiqué.

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ICANN Meetings Website (GT)

Monday, June 12

09:00 EDT
- Upstander Training
- At-Large Leadership Welcome to ICANN77
- GNSO: RrSG Membership Meeting
- GNSO: RySG Membership Meeting
- Joint Session: ALAC, GAC, and GNSO Facilitated Dialogue on Closed Generics (1 of 2)
- Tech Day (1 of 2)

10:45 EDT
- NextGen Presentations (1 of 2)
- At-Large NARALO Roundtable
- GAC Opening Plenary
- GNSO Registrars and ICANN: Accreditation and RDRS Engagement
- GNSO: ISPCP Membership Meeting
- GNSO: NCSG Policy Committee
- Tech Day (2 of 2)

13:45 EDT
- ICANN Fellowship Program: Consensus Playbook Training [C]
- At-large Policy Session 1: A User Perspective: The Next gTLD Application Window
- GAC Discussion: New gTLD Program Next Round (1 of 2)
- GNSO: EPDP Phase 2 Small Team (SSAD) - Implementation of Registration Data Request Service (RDRS)
GAC Website Tour - Activity Space (GT)

The GAC regularly considers a broad range of public policy issues impacting the DNS and other matters regarding the functions of ICANN. This work can result in consensus advice for the ICANN Board or public comment guidance to the ICANN community. This part of the website shares information related to those ongoing topics and activities.

Activities

Select the type of Activity from the dropdown, or enter a keyword to filter results.
GAC Public Comment Opportunities

Last Updated: 24 May 2023
Status: Active

Related Topics: Public Comment

GAC Public Comment Opportunities:

The purpose of this page is to provide timely information to GAC leadership and membership on public comment opportunities available and to track each step of the public comment process.

The page is aimed to be a one stop place for GAC leadership and GAC Members to view:
- The GAC's interest in filing a comment
- Tracking the status and priority level of comments to be filed
- The link to comments filed – rather than having to search the archives of each public comment proceeding to find a comment submitted by the GAC
- Monthly Reports on public comments including decisions to file comments from the GAC
- Upcoming public comment opportunities

Please note:
- Open Public Comment Opportunities are listed in the "Ongoing Work" Section of this page, including public comment proceeding link, open/close date, GAC decision to file comment and reasoning, comment link if applicable.
- GAC Filed Public Comments are listed in the "Outcomes" Section of this page.
- GAC Public Content" section. Comment Reports are archived in monthly reports in the "Documentation" section including details listed above (public comment proceeding, open/close dates, GAC decision to file comment and reasoning, comment link if applicable).
- Upcoming Public Comment Opportunities are listed in the "Related Content" section of this page.
Work Efforts

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ICANN76 Cancun Communiqué

PDF (520 KB) | Official Date: 20 March 2023
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ICANN Meeting Minutes

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ICANN76 Cancun Meeting Minutes

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Topics Discussed: ALAC  DNS Abuse  GAC Activities  GNSO  Human Right Intl. Law WG  ICANN Board  ICANN Meetings  New gTLDs Subsequent Procedures  Operating Principles  Public Safety WG  RDS / WHOIS  Underserved Regions WG

PDF (334 KB)  |  Official Date: 10 May 2023
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Correspondence

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- All
- Incoming
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- Items Containing Advice

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GAC Meeting at ICANN77
Expectations for GAC Public Meetings Generally

- The GAC meets publicly three times a year in conjunction with ICANN meetings
- Traditionally, the GAC conducted most of its business at face-to-face meetings
- Members and Observers discuss and agree on potential meeting topics by email and on agenda setting calls
- Agenda & Topical Briefings are circulated and posted online in advance of the meeting
Expectations for GAC Public Meetings Generally (2)

- All GAC meetings are open/public
- Major reliance on Zoom Room capabilities
- Real-time interpretation in 6 UN languages + Portuguese - Real-time captioning (identify yourself; clear and moderate speaking speed)
- Remote participation - Recording of the meetings

- The GAC produces a Communiqué at the end of each meeting
- The Communiqué, meeting minutes, transcription and recording of all open meeting sessions are posted online shortly after the meeting

- In Room Logistics:
  - GAC Seating Area (e.g., delegation size, locations)
  - Hands in Zoom Room (enforced since Hybrid format)
### ICANN77 Block Schedule

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**ICANN77 GAC AGENDA**

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ICANN77 Preview

ICANN77 Meeting / Day 0

● Capacity Development Workshop (3 Sessions - Sunday 11 June)
  ○ Initiative introduced at ICANN76 by USRGW and USG (planning team) on future capacity development at ICANN77 on DNS abuse issues and referenced in the Cancun Communiqué under DNS Abuse as part of Issues of Importance to the GAC

● Webinar 1 (build capacity and clarify roles of stakeholders)
● Webinar 2 (clarify the process and GAC’s role)

● Workshop (reinforce issues/ recap from webinars)

● DNS Abuse session
ICANN77 Meeting

- 15 plenary sessions (Monday-Thursday) (all open to public)
  - Calendar invitations for each GAC session (from Gülten Tepe)
  - Registration deadline for onsite attendees by 7 June
    - [https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77](https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77)

- Other Preparatory webinar(s):
  - GAC welcome webinar for first timers - 2 June at 13:00 UTC

- Written briefings
ICANN77 Prep Week

To participate in any of the sessions, please register for ICANN77.

After registering, you will receive an email confirmation with additional event details.

ICANN77 Prep Week Schedule: https://meetings.icann.org/en/icann77

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GAC ICANN77 Key Topics

- New gTLDs Next Round (formerly SubPro)
- DNS Abuse Mitigation
- WHOIS and Data Protection Policy (incl. Accuracy)
- Emerging Technologies
- Joint meetings with the ICANN Board and GNSO

Session objectives:  
https://gac.icann.org/agendas/icann77-hybrid-meeting-agenda
GAC Communique at ICANN Meetings
GAC Communique Background and Overview

- GAC Communique is a traditional/regular public meeting product of the committee - identified as a “report” in the GAC Operating Principles and produced after every ICANN Public Meeting.

- Has evolved to serve as the primary GAC “advice” channel to the ICANN Board.

- Also used by the committee as a means to identify and share views on “issues of importance” from governments to ICANN Board and rest of the community.

- By ICANN70, new procedural elements to Communique Preparation and Approval were added and have since been refined.
To facilitate discussions during Communiqué drafting, a 2-week pre-meeting Issue identification and Communiqué Preparation phase allows for early identification of issues and sharing of Communiqué text, while not precluding plenary deliberations.

During virtual/hybrid ICANN meetings, the GAC Communiqué becomes formally adopted at the end of a Review Period, provided no objections are raised during this period.

In the exceptional case of a formal objection, the possibility of a post-Meeting GAC Session has been contemplated, as some GAC participants expressed concerns that an objection could lead to suppression of carefully considered views.
GAC Communique Preparation for ICANN77

- **Meeting Week -5**: 8-12 May
  - GAC Leadership & Topic Leads Coordination

- **Meeting Week -4**: 15-19 May
  - GAC Communiqué Issues/Text Consideration & Discussion
  - ICANN org Briefing to GAC
  - GAC Written Briefings
  - GAC Oral Briefings
  - GAC PSWG Bilaterals

- **Meeting Week -3**: 22-26 May
  - ICANN Prep Week

- **Meeting Week -2**: 29 May-2 June
  - ICANN77

- **Meeting Week -1**: 5-9 June
  - GAC Topic Leads Sync up

- **Meeting Week №?**: 12-15 June
GAC Communique Drafting for ICANN77

Communiqué Preparation Phase

Meeting Day 2
Communiqué Review

Meeting Day 3
Communiqué Drafting

Meeting Day 4
Communiqué Drafting

Communiqué Review & Adoption

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
Editing pen held by GAC Support Staff

Drafters of Communiqué Text are encouraged, at any stage of Communiqué development, to use the GAC Support Team as a resource to research precedent, ensure accuracy of references and consistency with usual practice as needed.
Thank you!
How governments can get involved

Q&A

Thank you for your participation

- GAC Website: https://gac.icann.org
- ICANN Learn: https://learn.icann.org/#!/courses
- GAC Working Groups: https://gacweb.icann.org/display/gacweb/GAC+Working+Groups
- GAC Support staff: gac-staff@icann.org
- Government Engagement: ge@icann.org