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GAC Opening Plenary Session

Monday, 9 June 2025

07:00 UTC (75 mins)



1. Welcome from GAC Chair – **Nicolas Caballero**
2. Welcome from Host Country Government –
Zina Bumbálková - Ministry of Industry and Trade, Czech Republic

- A. Review of Agenda Highlights by GAC Chair
- B. Review of Meeting Logistics by ICANN GAC Support staff
- C. Tour de Table (in-person and then remote GAC participants)
- D. Notable GAC Transitions and Activities
- E. Review of GAC Communiqué Development Process

A) Notable Agenda Highlights

- ICANN83 - “Policy Forum” - meeting format
- GAC Priority Policy Topic Sessions - (New gTLD Next Round issues, DNS Abuse, Registration Data, etc.)
- Update on Strategic/Annual Planning Progress (Tuesday)
- Finalize Leadership Election Timing and Term Limit Changes
- Bilateral Community Relations with ICANN Board, ASO, ALAC, GNSO and SSAC
- Communiqué Drafting (Wednesday and Thursday)
- Evening Networking Events (all week)
- Memorial Gathering for Nigel Hickson (Tuesday)

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ICANN 83 - GAC Block Schedule

UTC	UTC +2	Monday 9 June 2025 (Day 1)	Tuesday 10 June 2025 (Day 2)		Wednesday 11 June 2025 (Day 3)		Thursday 12 June 2025 (Day 4)		UTC +2		
7:00	9:00	1. GAC Opening Plenary (75 mins)	4. GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse Mitigation (75 mins)		10. GAC Session on Security and Stability <i>GAC Meeting on DNS Blocking and OSS with the SSAC (35 mins)</i> <i>GAC Meeting on DNSSEC and Quantum with SIDNLabs (35 mins)</i> (75 mins)		13.c. GAC Communique Drafting (75 mins)		9:00		
7:15	9:15								9:15		
7:30	9:30								9:30		
7:45	9:45								9:45		
8:00	10:00								10:00		
8:15	10:15	Break (30 mins)	Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		10:15		
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8:45	10:45								10:45		
9:00	11:00								11:00		
9:15	11:15								11:15		
9:30	11:30	2. GAC Capacity Development New gTLD Program Next Round (AGB) (90 mins)	5. GAC Meeting with the GNSO (45 mins)		11. GAC Discussion on WHOIS and Registration Data Issues (45 mins)		13.d. GAC Communique Drafting (90 mins)		11:30		
9:45	11:45		6. GAC Meeting with the ALAC (45 mins)						12. GAC Meeting with the ASO (45 mins)		11:45
10:00	12:00		Lunch Break (90 mins)		Lunch Break (90 mins) <i>[12:30-13:30: GAC Leadership Meeting]</i>				Lunch Break (90 mins)		12:00
10:15	12:15										12:15
10:30	12:30										12:30
10:45	12:45	12:45									
11:00	13:00	13:00									
11:15	13:15	3. GAC Discussion on New gTLDs Next Round (75 mins)	7. GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board (75 mins)		GNSO Council Meeting (13:45-14:45)		13.a. GAC Communique Drafting (75 mins)		13:15		
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13:45	15:45	Community Session on WSIS+20 (90 mins) <i>[In GAC meeting room]</i>	8. GAC Strategic Planning and Operating Matters Discussion (60 mins)		13.b. GAC Communique Drafting (90 mins)		Working Session on How We Meet (90 mins)		15:45		
14:00	16:00								16:00		
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14:45	16:45								16:45		
15:00	17:00	9. GAC Communique Review (30 mins)	9. GAC Communique Review (30 mins)		13.f. GAC Communique Drafting (90 mins) (if needed)				17:00		
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17:00	18:00								18:00		
		Opening Reception (60 mins)	Networking Cocktail (60 mins)	Nigel Hickson Memorial (17:45-19:00)	Networking Cocktail (60 mins)		Closing Reception (60 mins)				

- Notable for **All** Attendees
 - Zoom Session Infrastructure and Protocols - all please log-in
 - Please indicate your interventions by hand-raising in the Zoom room
 - Reference to calendar invitations
 - GAC Logistics Document
 - Attendance Pilot #2
- Notable for **In-person** Attendees
 - Seats at table microphones are reserved for GAC delegations
 - Other ICANN community members are welcomed on seats behind the table area
 - Seats will be reserved in front rows for some sessions (e.g., Board)
 - No circulation of written materials in room or during sessions
 - Health and Safety Protocols (masks by choice, etc.)

The GAC Chair opens the floor to GAC representatives and delegates to introduce themselves and to share any short comments or statements they would like to make.

- Introductions will then follow the table seating within the GAC meeting room.
- 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.

D) Notable GAC Transitions

- Welcome to 23+ new GAC delegates (since ICANN82)
 - 184 Members / 40 Observers
- Remembering Nigel Hickson on Tuesday evening

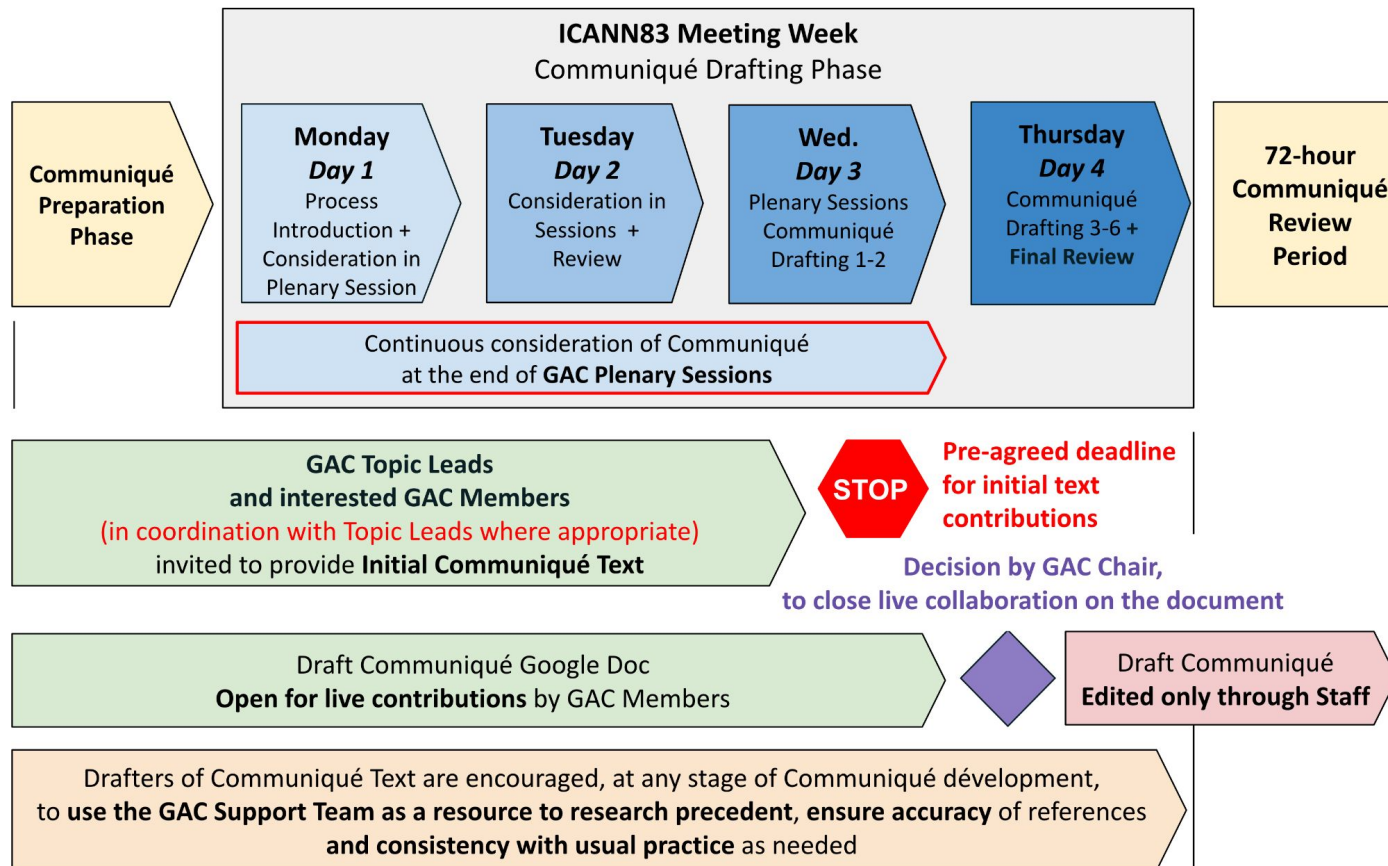
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Thank you to all GAC representatives and delegates for active engagement since ICANN82 -

- Contributions to ICANN “How We Work” effort (GAC Public Comment)
- Engagement with ICANN Board regarding 10 “Issues of Importance” to governments
- Three agenda setting and preparatory calls for ICANN83
- Ensuring regular reporting on ICANN org outreach and status of Applicant Support Program
- Capacity development efforts for Next Round of New gTLDs
- Active cross-community engagement on WSIS+20 preparations and ICP-2 Evolution
- Utilization of GAC Strategic Planning Structure (assessing current annual plan and preparing for next)

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E) Review of GAC Communiqué Development Process



New Proposals by GAC Leadership - Objectives:

- Increase opportunities for GAC Members to consider topics and discuss text ahead of Communiqué Drafting, to increase efficiency of the drafting process.

Role of GAC Topic Leads

- Propose a pre-/rough draft of text prior to the ICANN meeting
- Discuss Communiqué text at the end of each plenary session
- Provide text during Communiqué Drafting by a pre-set deadline (GAC Chair)
- Be the point of contact for any GAC Members considering text on the topic(s)

Proposals by GAC Members

- Should be discussed with GAC Topic Leads (where identified) and aimed to be integrated by pre-set deadline during Communiqué Drafting

Thank you!

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