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POLICY
FORUM



GAC Opening Plenary

Nicolas Caballero (GAC Chair)

1. Welcome from GAC Chair – *Nicolas Caballero*
2. Welcome from Host Country Government
Vanesa Sánchez Rojo - Head of Unit for Digital Society,
Ministry for Digitalization and Civil Service,
Government of Spain

- 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 Activity Highlights
- E. Review of GAC Communiqué Development Process (time permitting)

ICANN86 Block Schedule

D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
UTC	UTC +2	Monday 8 June 2026 (Day 1)				Tuesday 9 June 2026 (Day 2)		Wednesday 10 June 2026 (Day 3)		Thursday 11 June 2026 (Day 4)		UTC +2	
8:00	10:00	1. Opening Plenary (75 mins)				4. GAC Discussion on Review of Reviews (45 mins)		GNSO DNS Abuse PDP (3/4) (75 mins)	10. GAC Leadership and Operations Update (75 mins)	12.c. GAC Communique Drafting (75 mins)		10:00	
8:15	10:15					5. GOPE WG Proposal (30 mins)						10:15	
8:30	10:30	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		10:30	
8:45	10:45					10:45							
9:00	11:00	GNSO DNS Abuse PDP (1/4) (90 mins)	Review of Reviews (90 mins)	2. GAC Capacity Development (GAC readiness for Next Round) (90 mins)		6. GAC Discussion on Registration Data Issues (45 mins)		11. GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse Mitigation (45 mins)		GNSO DNS Abuse PDP (4/4) (90 mins)	12.d. GAC Communique Drafting (90 mins)		11:00
9:15	11:15					6.a Informational Session on Accuracy of Registration Data (45 mins)		11.a. GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse with relevant SO/AC groups (45 mins)					11:15
9:30	11:30	Lunch Break (90 mins)				Lunch Break (90 mins)		Lunch Break (90 mins)		Lunch Break (90 mins)		11:30	
9:45	11:45					11:45							
10:00	12:00	3. GAC Capacity Development (GAC readiness for Next Round) (75 mins)				GNSO DNS Abuse PDP (2/4) (75 mins)	7. GAC Discussion on New gTLDs Next Round (75 mins)		12.a. GAC Communique Drafting (75 mins)		12.e. GAC Communique Drafting (75 mins)		12:00
10:15	12:15												12:15
10:30	12:30	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		12:30	
10:45	12:45					12:45							
11:00	13:00	Community Session: Current and Coming Impact of Artificial Intelligence on DNS Abuse (90 mins)				8. GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board (60 mins)		12.b. GAC Communique Drafting (90 mins)		Community Session: Cross-Community Dialogue on the Feasibility of a Platform for ASP-Supported New gTLDs (90 mins)		13:00	
11:15	13:15											9. GAC Communique Review (30 mins)	
11:30	13:30	Opening Reception (60 mins)				Networking Cocktail (60 mins)		Networking Cocktail (60 mins)		Closing Reception (60 mins)		13:30	
11:45	13:45					13:45							
12:00	14:00	GAC Plenary Sessions GAC Joint Sessions Community Sessions GAC Communique GAC Capacity Development				Official Times for ICANN86 10:00-18:00 (UTC+2)						14:00	
12:15	14:15											14:15	
12:30	14:30	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		14:30	
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14:00	16:00	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		16:00	
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16:00	18:00	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		18:00	
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16:30	18:30	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		18:30	
16:45	18:45					18:45							
17:00	19:00	Break (30 mins)				Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		19:00	
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A) Notable Agenda Highlights

- ICANN86 - “Policy Forum” - meeting format
- GAC Priority Topics & Sessions
 - GAC Readiness for Next Round of New gTLDs
 - DNS Abuse
 - gTLD Registration Data
 - Review of Reviews
- GAC Annual Plan Progress & Operations
 - GAC Operating Principles Evolution
 - GAC Participation in the ICANN Nominating Committee
 - GAC Implementation of Continuous Improvement Program
- Bilateral Meeting with ICANN Board
- Communiqué Review (Tuesday) & Drafting (Wednesday, Thursday)

- 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
- Notable for **In-person** Attendees
 - Seats at table microphones are reserved for GAC delegations
 - Other ICANN community members are welcomed on seats left and right side 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

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.

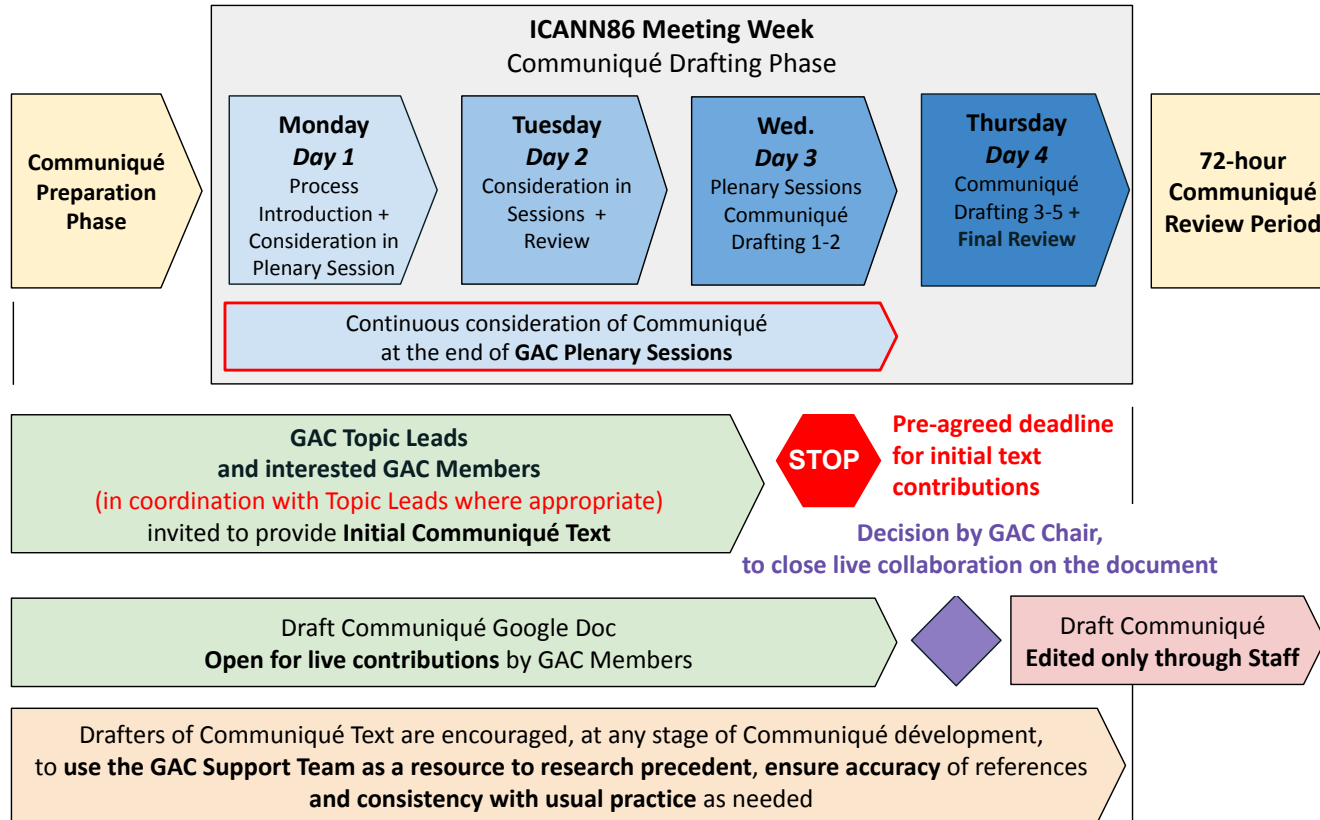
- Welcome to 27 new GAC delegates (since ICANN85)
 - 184 Members / 41 Observers
 - Important Reminders:
 - Join-gac@icann.org - ticketing system for all delegation updates
 - ICANN Join capability activated for all GAC representatives
- Election of GAC Chair by Acclamation
 - Two-year term beginning at the conclusion of the ICANN87 Annual General Meeting (October 2026)

D) Notable Recent GAC Activity Highlights

Thank you to all GAC representatives and delegates for active engagement since ICANN85

- Engagement with ICANN Board on “Issues of Importance” in the Mumbai Communique
 - Board response and [scorecard](#) in April 2026
- Progress on policy development:
 - DNS Abuse PDP on Associated Domain Checks (4 GAC representative and 10 observers)
 - Registration Data Issues: 2 GAC representatives in newly convened SSAD Supplementary Recommendations Team
 - Progress on GAC “readiness” for Next Round of New gTLDs
- GAC Leadership Retreat (April 2026)
 - Reviewed GAC Strategic Planning Structure & progress against Annual Plan
 - Discussed proposals for full GAC discussion at ICANN86 on:
 - GAC input into final phase of Review of Reviews cross-community work
 - GAC participation in the ICANN Nominating Committee
 - GAC implementation of the Continuous Improvement Program
- Preparation for ICANN86: three agenda setting calls

E) Communiqué Development for ICANN86



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!