



ICANN87 GAC Agenda Setting Call #2

Thursday, 3 September 2026 at 12:00 UTC (60 mins)

Call Objectives (reminder):

This second Agenda Setting call is an opportunity for:

- **GAC Topic Leads** to review/confirm the topics expected to be discussed by the GAC in each session
- **GAC Members** to suggest or request discussion of specific items in relation to these topics.

Agenda:

1. **GAC Capacity Development Sessions**
2. **Sessions on Key Policy Topics** (New gTLD Program Next Round, Registration Data Issues, DNS Abuse)
3. **ICANN87 Open Source Agentic AI Session**
4. **ICANN Board/GAC Joint Meeting**
5. **ICANN87 GAC Communiqué Development** (time permitting)

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9:00	1. GAC Opening Plenary (60 mins)	6. GAC Discussion on New gTLDs Next Round (2/2) (60 mins)	Welcome Ceremony and Tarek Kamel Award (75 mins)	11. GAC Discussions on NxR [placeholder] (60 mins)	15. GAC Meeting with the CPH (60 mins)	13 (f). GAC Communique (60 mins)	9:00
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10:00	2. GAC Capacity Development (1/2) GAC readiness for Next Round (90 mins)	7. GAC Discussion on WHOIS Registration Data Issues (90 mins)	Community Session (1/2) Building a Secure, Inclusive, and Multilingual Internet for the Next Decade (75 mins)	12. GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse Mitigation (90 mins) - incl. JPMAC / OCTO	16. GAC Meeting with the ccNSO (90 mins)	ICANN Public Forum (90 mins)	10:00
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11:00	3. GAC Capacity Development (2/2) GAC readiness for Next Round (75 mins)	8. GAC Operations Session (75 mins)	Community Session (2/2) The Gap in Registrant Recourse - Next Steps (75 mins)	13 (a). GAC Communique (75 mins)	13 (c). GAC Communique (75 mins)	13 (g). GAC Communique (75 mins) or 17. Wrap-Up	11:00
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12:00	4. GAC Discussion on New gTLDs Next Round (1/2) (60 mins)	9. GAC Meeting with the GNSO Council (60 mins)	Board and Community Discussion on CCG Review of Reviews (60 mins)	14. GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board (60 mins)	13 (d). GAC Communique (60 mins)	Geopolitical Forum (60 mins)	12:00
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13:00	5. GAC UA-IDN WG (60 mins)	10. Open Source Agentic AI in the DNS Industry (60 mins)	Q&A with ICANN Org Executive Team (60 mins)	13 (b). GAC Communique (60 mins)	13 (e). GAC Communique (60 mins)	ICANN Board Meeting Closing Cocktail (60 mins)	13:00
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Saturday, 17 October 2026 (10:30-12:00/13:15-14:30) (UTC+8)

Proposed focus: GAC readiness for the 2026 Round

- 2026 Round status and key milestones
- Key processes and timelines for GAC Members
- GAC role and opportunities for engagement
- Mechanisms available to address public policy concerns
- Operational readiness package: framework, guidance & tools
- Resources available to support GAC Members

Coordination underway

- Align Capacity Development + GAC plenary sessions
- Joint discussion with **CDWG + NxR Topic Leads** to finalize scope and avoid duplication

→ Input welcome on content / division across sessions

Agenda Items 5 & 6: 17 October at 15:00-16:00 and 18 October at 09:00-10:00.

SESSION 1 — OPERATIONAL READINESS & ROUND UPDATE

- Post-Reveal Day / 2026 Round update — ICANN org SMEs
- Applications received & latest developments
- GAC operational readiness / next steps
- Follow-up from Capacity Development sessions

SESSION 2 — POST-REVEAL DAY GAC DISCUSSION

- Open discussion among GAC Members
- Questions, observations and potential concerns arising from applications
- Initial exchange / brainstorming on issues requiring further GAC consideration
- Identify potential areas for follow-up after ICANN87

→ **Proposed approach currently with NxR Topic Leads for input**

GAC Member input: Are there other Next Round issues you would like to see addressed during the ICANN87 plenary sessions?

Agenda Item 7: Sunday 18 October at 10:30-12:00 (UTC+8) for 90 mins.

Session Objective is for the GAC to consider:

- Updates on deliberations of the **SSAD Supplemental Recommendations** Team, including possible GAC input in the Public Comment period expected after ICANN87, and discussion with relevant ICANN stakeholders
 - A Full-day of meetings of the SSAD Supplemental Recommendations Team is planned prior to the start of ICANN87
- Discussion of the **15-day verification timeline** depending on pre-ICANN87 developments with GNSO stakeholders
- Updates on the **development of law enforcement requestor authentication mechanisms** (including ICANN's Input Group), to ensure that the agreed-upon 24h timeline for response to Urgent Request for disclosure of registration can become enforceable.
- Discussion of the proposed Draft Policy on **Privacy/Proxy Services Accreditation** (Implementation the PPSAI GNSO Policy Recommendations)

Agenda Item 12: Tuesday 20 October at 10:30-12:00 (UTC+8) for 90 mins

Session Objective: Consistent with the proposed expected outcomes laid out in the GAC Annual Plan in this Strategic Area for the GAC, this session will aim to:

- Advance ICANN policy work on DNS Abuse before further delegation of new gTLDs
- Build the subject matter capacity of GAC members on DNS Abuse

Expected topics for discussion :

- **Potential host country presentation** (to be confirmed)
- Potential presentation on “**domain hopping**” (by Japan)
- Potential presentation by **ICANN OCTO on Associated Domains measurements**
- Updates on ongoing policy developments, and discussion with relevant community stakeholders regarding:
 - **PDP1 on Associated Domain Checks**, following the publication of the Initial Report and closure of the Public Comment period
 - **PDP2 on Safeguards for access to domain name registrations at scale for new customers** (formerly known as API or Bulk-registration access) which is currently being chartered.

Agenda Item 10: Sunday 18 October at 16:30-17:30 (UTC+8) for 60 mins

- **Rationale for the session:** The *Open Source Agentic AI in the DNS Industry* session is intended to remain firmly within ICANN's mission and mandate, rather than address AI as a broad policy or ethics topic. Agentic AI is increasingly relevant to the security, stability and resiliency of the DNS, DNS abuse and contractual compliance, and the integrity of DNS resolution and root infrastructure.
- **Value for the GAC:** The session is intended to provide GAC members with practical, policy-relevant technical knowledge that could inform work on DNS abuse, PDPs and the New gTLD Program. It would also facilitate dialogue with SSAC, RSSAC and ccNSO representatives and external technical experts, while helping keep infrastructure-related policy discussions aligned with the ICANN multistakeholder model.
- **GAC discussion:** Assess the GAC's level of support for retaining the proposed session at ICANN87:
 - **What are the specific concerns, if any, with holding the session at ICANN87?** Do they relate to the **subject matter, proposed speakers, timing or format?**
 - **Could these concerns be addressed through an alternative approach,** such as a different session format, a **webinar,** or **postponement to a later ICANN meeting?**

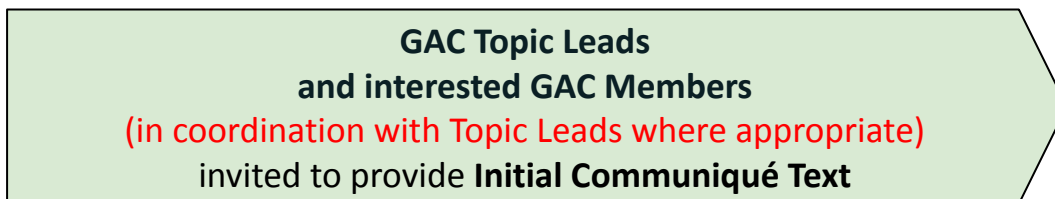
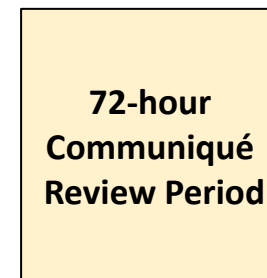
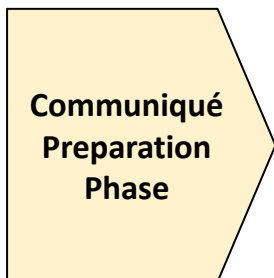
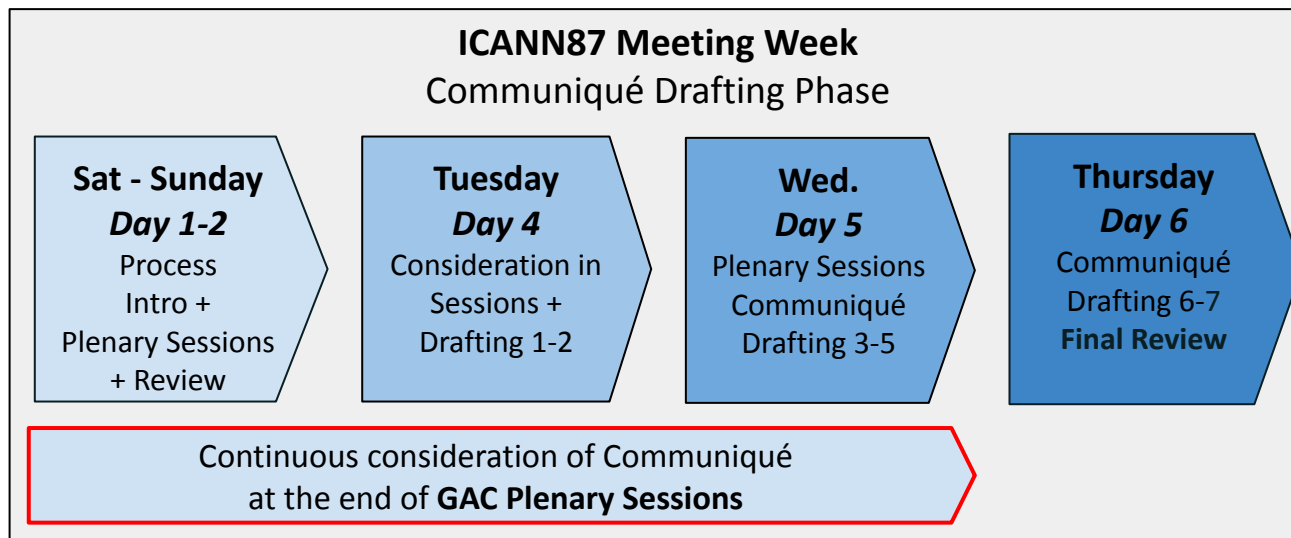
Agenda Item 8: Tuesday 20 October at 15:00-16:00 (UTC+8) for 60 mins

Draft Agenda items:

- Staff will collect GAC Member suggestions for topics to discuss with the Board
- Call for topics to be circulated

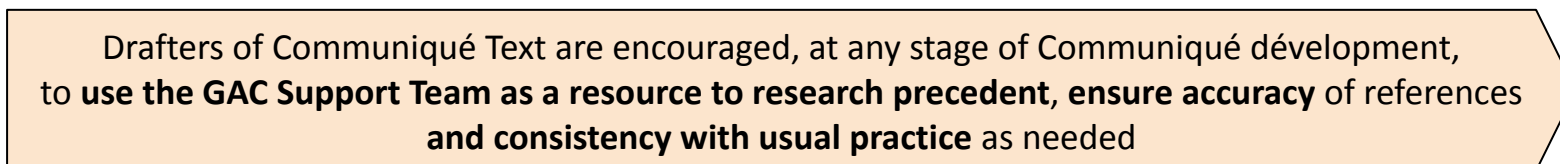
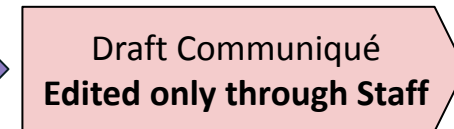
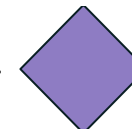
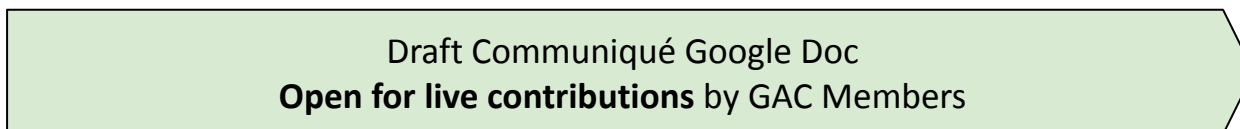
Next Steps:

- Staff will collect all GAC Member delegate inputs by EOD 29 September
- Chair/Vice Chairs will subsequently discuss, curate and transmit to the Board Support team by 2 October
- Final GAC polishing during GAC bilateral prep call (week of 5 October)



Pre-agreed deadline for initial text contributions

Decision by GAC Chair, to close live collaboration on the document



Reminders

- **Communiqué “touch point” at the end of every GAC plenary session** to assist in the timely formulation of Communiqué text proposals and to facilitate identification of pen holders who would like to be involved in the initial stages of drafting
- **Distribution of Communiqué drafting session during the ICANN meeting over several days** to maximize opportunities for national consultation with capitals in other timezones, as well as review of precedents and references by GAC Support.
- **72-hour review period after adoption of the Communiqué** in recognition that the virtual/hybrid environment may impede participation for some GAC Members and Observers (including due to connectivity issues and timezone challenges)
- **Communique Pre-Meeting Consideration Phase** prior to the meeting week, to enable appropriate consultations in advance of the meeting. For ICANN87:
 - **Issue Identification Phase:** 25-29 May 2026
(identification of potential topics for GAC Advice and Issues of Importance)
 - **Communiqué Preparation Phase:** 1-5 June 2026
(for proposals of key messages and GAC Advice text)

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 (Issue Identification and Communiqué préparation phase)
- 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 (Issues and Text)

- Are encouraged to be made during the Issue Identification and Communiqué préparation phase (prior to the meeting)
- 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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GAC Agenda Setting Call #1

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ICANN87 Schedule for Review and Discussion

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- Second Agenda Setting Call (session substance): September
- Pre-Meeting webinars (Beginning of October)
 - Welcome webinar
 - First Timers webinar
- Final Prep Call (October)

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ICANN86 GAC Agenda Setting Call (1/2)

1 April 2026
13:00 UTC

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