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ICANN64 GAC Plenary Meeting - Agenda Item 13.1

Agenda

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- Information Topics:
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Report on the BGIG Session – Meeting Agenda Matters

- 1. Follow-up on GAC Barcelona Scorecard
- 2. Two-Character Tool and Briefing Materials
- 3. Schedule for Addressing Advice in GAC Kobe Communique
- 4. Board Follow-up on Deferred Advice





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Certain GAC members have asked to make statements to the Board on this topic.





2 Character Country Codes at the Second Level

- 1. The GAC acknowledges the Board's response to GAC advice in the recent scorecard document. A number of GAC members have raised questions about how the Board decision of 8 November 2016 withdrawing the "Authorization Process" for the release of 2character country codes under new gTLDs was in line with GAC advice on this issue. GAC members will look at the response and get back to the Board for further discussion.
- 2. The GAC appreciates the development of the two-character tool, which may address the concerns of some GAC members related to the risk of confusion created by the use of country-codes at the second level under new gTLDs. GAC members will try using the tool over the coming period and have agreed to have the Montreal meeting as a checkpoint. Yet, GAC members may share their initial experiences of using the tool and further reactions at their meeting with the Board at ICANN 64.



IGO Protections

The GAC appreciates the Board's response to GAC advice in the recent scorecard document and would like to note that during the Kobe Meeting the GAC has had fruitful exchanges with GNSO Council regarding the possibility of restarting the PDP on curative protections, under conditions amenable to all interested parties, including IGOs and interested GAC members, with a view to achieving mutually acceptable results. At that meeting, the GAC indicated that there should be a time line with a targeted date associated with such a course of action.





Data Protection Regulations - The GNSO EPDP and a Unified Access Model

The GAC has discussed the issue of initiating Phase 2 work and considers it crucial that Phase 2 efforts should progress expeditiously with specific milestones, envisaged timeframe and a deadline for conclusion. The ability for third parties with legitimate interests to access non-public registration information is a matter of critical importance and needs to be treated with the same amount of urgency as Phase 1 activities.

Question to the Board: Does the Board share the GAC views as they pertain to the importance of developing the necessary policies for a third party access model and the need for a timely deadline for concluding Phase 2 activities?



Potential Future New gTLD Rounds

Question:

Could the ICANN Board share its interim overall assessment on the extent to which the criteria established in the Helsinki GAC Advice (June 2016) is being addressed, for example through the various ICANN reviews and analysis, prior to the launch of the next new gTLD round of applications? The GAC welcomes your views and comments at this stage to better inform our discussions on this important topic.





ICANN64 Board Questions to the GAC

1. What should the Board, ICANN org, and the Community be doing now to prepare for the successful implementation of these plans?

Please make <u>three suggestions</u> as concrete as possible, providing one each for the Board, ICANN org, and the Community.

2. While the success of these plans lies primarily within ICANN, we all know that ICANN does not operate in a vacuum, and alliances and partnerships are important to our success. How can we increase the likelihood that important allies and partners in the space are on the same page and working together to achieve common/agreed upon goals?

Please provide <u>one suggestion</u> of something that could be done externally to improve trust and collaboration.



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