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GAC Opening Plenary Session

09:00 10:00 UTC

25 October 2025

1. Welcome from GAC Chair – **Nicolas Caballero**
2. Welcome from Host Country Government –
Ian Price - Department of Culture, Communications and
Sport, Ireland



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- 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

- ICANN84 - “Annual General Meeting” - meeting format
- GAC Priority Policy Topic Sessions - (New gTLD Next Round issues, DNS Abuse, Registration Data, etc.)
- Finalization of New GAC Strategic/Annual Planning Progress (today)
- Next Round Capacity Development - current and planned
- Review of Reviews Attention (in GAC and among full ICANN community)
- Bilateral Community Relations with ICANN Board, ASO, ALAC, ccNSO, GNSO, NCSG and SSAC
- WSIS+20 Visit by Co-Fac Teams
- Communiqué Drafting (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)
- Evening Networking Events

ICANN 84 - GAC Block Schedule

UTC	Sat. 25 October 2025 (Day 1) (UTC+1)		Sun. 26 October 2025 (Day 2)		Mond. 27 October 2025 (Day 3)		Tues. 28 October 2025 (Day 4)		Wed. 29 October 2025 (Day 5)		Thur. 30 October 2025 (Day 6)		UTC
9:00	GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (1/6)	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)		13. GAC Meeting with the ALAC (60 mins)		GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (5/6)	18. GAC Meeting with the NCSG (60 mins)	Q&A with Executive Team (60 mins)	17.e. GAC Communique (60 mins)	9:00
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10:00	Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Geopolitical Forum (75 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		Break (30 mins)		10:00
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11:00	2. GAC Strategic Planning (90 mins)		7. DNS Abuse - Pre PDP Working Session (90 mins) IN GNSO MEETING ROOM		14. GAC Discussion on WHOIS Registration Data Issues (90 mins)		19. GAC Meeting with the ccNSO (90 mins)		ICANN Public Forum (90 mins)				11:00
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12:00	Lunch Break (75 mins)		Lunch Break (75 mins)		Lunch Break (75 mins) GAC Commonwealth Meeting (12:00-13:00)		Lunch Break (75 mins)		Lunch Break (75 mins)		Lunch Break (75 mins)		12:00
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13:00	3. GAC Capacity Development (1/3) New gTLDs Next Round (75 mins)		8. GAC Capacity Development (3/3) (75 mins) - Emerging Technologies (35 mins) - PDP Basics (35 mins)		Community Session: ICANN Reviews (1/2) (75 mins)		15. GAC Discussion on DNS Abuse Mitigation (75 mins)		GAC Leadership Meeting (Closed) (30 mins)		Community Session: ICANN Reviews (2/2) (75 mins)		13:00
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15:00	GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (2/6)	4. GAC Capacity Development (2/3) New gTLDs Next Round (60 mins)	GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (4/6)	9. GAC Meeting with the GNSO Council (60 mins)	11. GAC Meeting with the ICANN Board (60 mins)		16. GAC Meeting with the SSAC (60 mins)		17.c. GAC Communique (60 mins)		17.f. GAC Communique (60 mins)		15:00
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17:00	1. ccNSO UA-IDN session (60 mins) 2. GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (3/6) (60 mins)	5. GAC Discussion on New gTLDs Next Round (1/2) (60 mins)	10a. GAC Meeting with the ASO (30 mins) 10b. WSIS+20 Discussion w/ WSIS+20 Co-facs (30 mins)		12. GAC Communique Review (60 mins)		17.a. GAC Communique (60 mins)		GNSO Subsequent Procedures IRT (6/6)	17.d. GAC Communique (60 mins)	ICANN Board Meeting Closing Cocktail (60 mins)		17:00
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18:00	GAC Social (60 mins)												18:00
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- 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 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.)



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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 32+ new GAC delegates (since ICANN83)
 - 184 Members / 41 Observers
- Reminder – Join-gac@icann.org - new ticketing system for all delegation updates
- Thank you to Incoming GAC Vice Chairs (new terms begin after ICANN85)
 - Ian Sheldon (Australia)
 - Zeina Bou Harb (Lebanon)
 - Marco Hogewoning (Netherlands)
 - Jorge Cancio (Switzerland)
 - Gloria Katuuku (Uganda)



D) Notable Recent GAC Activity Highlights

Thank you to all GAC representatives and delegates for active engagement since ICANN83

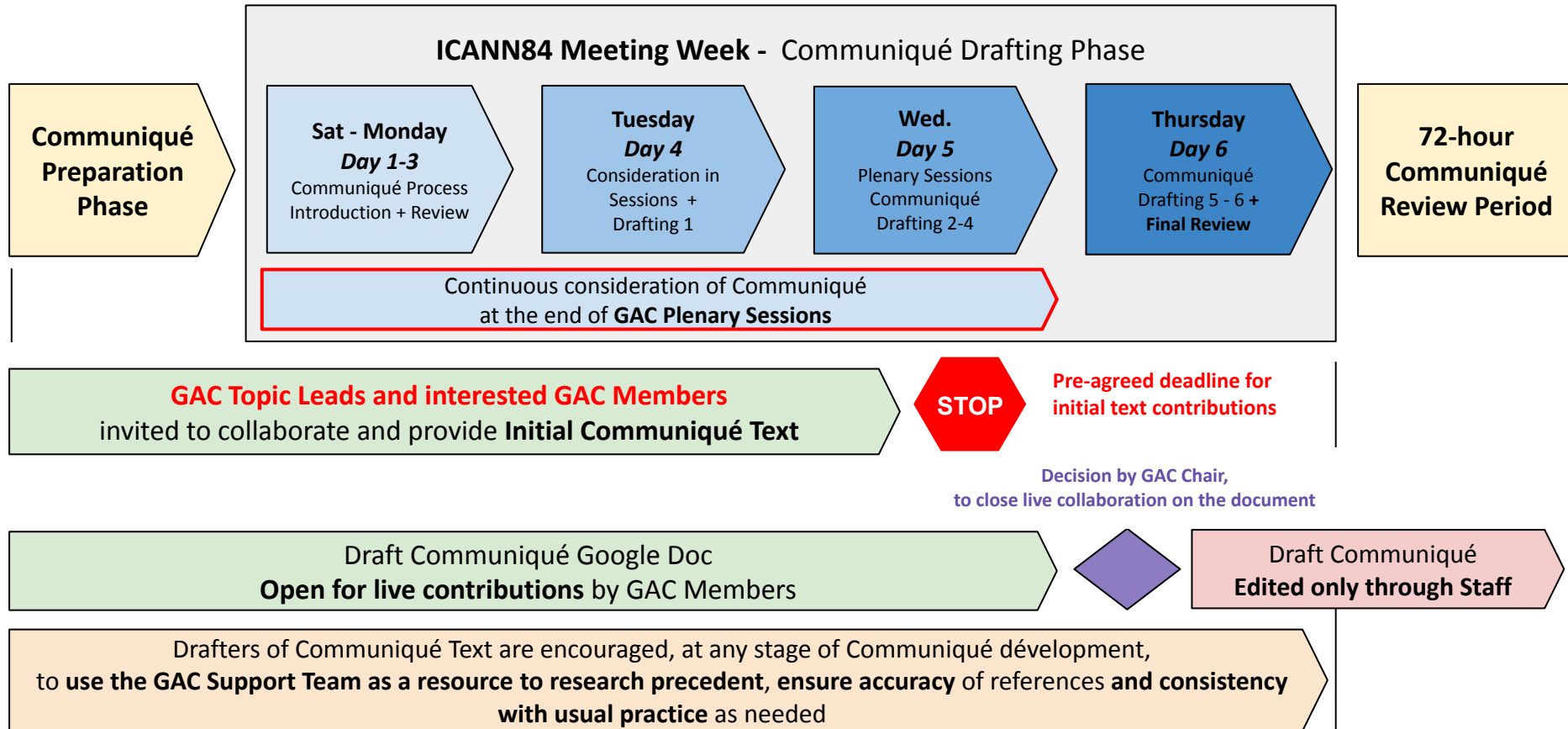
- Contributions to ICANN Next Round Draft Applicant Guidebook (GAC Public Comment)
- Influence on Framework of New GNSO PDP on DNS Abuse (GAC Advice and Public Comment)
- Board Approval of new ICANN Code of Conduct (GAC multi-year priority realized)
- Engagement with ICANN Board on 10 “Issues of Importance” to governments
- GAC Follow-Up on ICANN org outreach and status of Applicant Support Program
- GAC “readiness” for Next Round of New gTLDs
- Three agenda setting and preparatory calls for ICANN84
- Utilization of GAC Strategic Planning Structure (assessing current annual plan and preparing for next)
- GAC Leadership on Review of Reviews
- Consideration of future GAC NomCom Contributions



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E) Communiqué Development for ICANN84



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!

