GSE/GE Government and IGO related activities as background for monthly GAC calls

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Date: December 3, 2018

I. Completed Activities for October and November 2018
   a. Africa
      1. Public Meetings
         1. October 02: October Webinar on Root KSK Rollover - Hosted Webinar; Nairobi, Kenya
         2. October 08 – 09: AfiCTA Summit 2018, Nairobi, Kenya
         3. October 09-13: Benin DNS Forum; Cotonou-Benin (www.dnsforum.bj)
         4. October 11-16: Africa School of Internet Governance; Zanzibar, Tanzania (www.afrisig.org)
         6. October 16-18, 2018: CAREN: Forum on regulating the digital economy; Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
         8. October 21; ICANN 63, Barcelona, Spain
        10. November 12: Women DNS business Entrepreneurship workshop; Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
        11. November 19-20: DNS Abuse workshop for LEA in Mbabane, Eswatini
        13. November 26-30: AFRINIC-29 meeting, Hammamet, Tunisia

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members and the above mentioned Africnic meeting in Tunis was also attended by some Board members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**

1. October 21: Bilateral meeting: ICANN CEO& President with HE Commissioner, Infrastructure and Energy, Africa Union Commission, Barcelona
2. October 22: Meeting with HE, Minister, Communications and digital economy, Nigeria, HLGM, Barcelona, Spain
3. November 17; Meeting with El Hadj Laminou, Coordinator, West Africa Telecoms Regulators Association. Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

The Bilateral meetings were all also attended by GSE regional team and some meetings by GE team members

b. **Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands**

1. **Public Meetings**

1. October 3-5: CyFy 2018; New Delhi, India. Will be attended by ICANN’s executives and regional GSE team members https://www.orfonline.org/cyfy/
2. October 10: India’s Multilingual Internet and the Road to ICANN63; New Delhi, India; https://www.orfonline.org/cyfy/
3. October 15-16: PITA Telecoms Digital Forum, Suva Fiji
4. October 16-18: DNS Workshop in Papua New Guinea; Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
7. November 6-9: 5th World Internet Conference; Wuzhen, China; http://www.wuzhenwic.org/2018-
8. November 14-16: Philippines Engagement & DNSSEC Workshop; Manila, Philippines

9. November 19-20: Asia Pacific Information Superhighway for Pacific (UN ESCAP); Fiji, Oceania; [http://www.pita.org.fj/index.cfm?action=events&cmd=view&id=32B32D12-5254-005C-8E72C8C069B5FA35](http://www.pita.org.fj/index.cfm?action=events&cmd=view&id=32B32D12-5254-005C-8E72C8C069B5FA35)


11. November 26-30: APT Policy and Regulatory Forum for the Pacific 11 (PRFP11); Apia, Samoa

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

2. Bilateral Meetings

1. Bilateral meetings with government regulatory reps from the Pacific, and ITU and UNDP regional staff in attendance at the PITA Telecoms Digital Forum

2. Bilateral meetings at Wuzhen conference occurred between ICANN Executive and Board member with Chinese government representatives and other IG community members.

3. Bilateral meetings were arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and were attended by GSE regional team members.

C. Eastern Europe Central Asia

1. Public Meetings

1. October 3: Belarus IGF (IGF.BY); Minsk, Belarus

2. October 4-5: CybercrimeCon (GroupIB); Moscow, Russia

3. October 10: Armenian IGF (ArmIGF); Yerevan, Armenia

4. November 21-23: Russian Internet Week; Moscow, Russia

5. November 23: Peering Forum; Moscow, Russia

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members
2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings

d. **Europe**

1. **Public Meetings**
   1. October: Several meetings with the French host and ICANN in the context of IGF 2018 Organizational Committee with GE related member participation
   2. October 2-3: participation in Dutch Government’s international cybersecurity event The One Conference 2018; The Hague, Netherlands; [https://www.one-conference.nl/](https://www.one-conference.nl/)
   3. October 1: Danish IGF / Internet Dagan
   4. October 8: DNS Security training for Swiss Law Enforcement, Switzerland; ICANN Keynote at Swiss CERT event
   5. October 9-10: CENTR Registrar Day and CENTR GA
   6. October 10: Atelier IPv6 Transition - French regulator ARCEP workshop, keynote speech by ICANN MD on international progress of IPv6 transition; Paris, France; [https://isoc.fr/ateliers/](https://isoc.fr/ateliers/)
   7. October 18: UK stakeholders Pre-ICANN63 Meeting / Briefing; hosted by UK Government in London, England
   8. October 22: HLGM at ICANN63 taking place with approximately 150 government participants and with ICANN CEO, Board Chair and Executives participation. Bilateral meetings between ICANN’s CEO and many high-level government officials attending the meeting took place. A pre-meeting seminar about GDPR was held the day before the HLGM by ICANN’s executives for some of the High-Level Government Attendees.
   9. November 9: supporting organization of EIF IGF preparatory meeting at the European Parliament; Brussels, Belgium
   10. November 12-14: IGF; Paris, France
13. November 22: UK Internet Governance Forum 2019 (UK IGF); United Kingdom
14. November 27: participation in the German IGF, Berlin
15. November 28: participation in the Norwegian IGF

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members and many meetings were also attended by GE team members. Both GSE/GE team members participated with relevant remarks about ICANN’s role and remit in most events.

2. **Bilateral Meetings**

1. Bilateral meeting between GE team members and the French government in preparation of the IGF 2018 in Paris and ICANN’s participation in the part organized by the French host has taken place extensively in October and the first week of November
2. Bilateral meeting during IGF in Paris with German Government to start discussing IGF2019 which will take place in Germany. This meeting was attended by the ICANN CEO.

e. **Latin America – Caribbean**

1. **Public Meetings**

2. October 5: Regional IX Forum, Salvador, Bahia; [https://regional.forum.ix.br/026-BA/](https://regional.forum.ix.br/026-BA/)
3. October 6-7: Domaining Americas, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; [https://domainingamericas.com/](https://domainingamericas.com/)
4. October 9: 10 years IPv6.br; São Paulo, Brazil; [https://10anos.ipv6.br/](https://10anos.ipv6.br/)
5. October 11: XIV Webinar on ICANN-GAC for the LAC Region; Montevideo, Uruguay
6. October 26: Regional IX Forum, Florianopolis, Brazil; https://regional.forum.ix.br/
7. November 5-7: Paraguay IGF; Asuncion, Paraguay
8. November 7, 8: FIIE – Foro Internacional de Internet y Emprendimiento 2018; Monterrey, Mexico; http://www.fiie.lat/
10. November 30: LAC Registry Meeting, Sao Paulo, Brazil

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members with participation of some Board members.

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. Bilateral meetings were arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders for the regional teams.

f. **Middle East**
   1. **Public Meetings**
      1. September 30- October 2: DNSSEC Workshop; Kuwait City, Kuwait (CITRA)
      2. October 3: DNS Abuse and Misuse Workshop; Kuwait; Kuwait City, Kuwait
      3. October 5: DNS Abuse and Misuse Workshop; Ankara, Turkey
      4. October 29 – November 16: ITU PP-18; Dubai, UAE attended by ICANN CEO who gave some remarks at the Plenary and event was attended by GE team members and GSE regional team members
      5. November 19: Seminar for OGERO Lebanon; Beirut, Lebanon
      6. 28 Nov: ICANN63 Readout Session – Istanbul, Turkey

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members with some participation by GE team members
2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. During ICANN63, GSE Middle East team met with:
      a. The Director General of the National Telecommunications Regulatory Agency of Morocco
      b. The CEO of the Tunisian Internet Agency (ATI)
      c. The Ministry of Information and Communications Technology of Iran
      d. Ministry of Information Technology and Telecommunication of Pakistan
      e. The Telecommunication Regulatory Authority of UAE
      f. The Communication Regulatory Authority of Qatar during ICANN63 in Barcelona.
      g. The Communication and Media Commission of Iraq
      h. Communications and IT Commission (CITC) of Saudi Arabia
      i. Ministry of ICT of State of Palestine
      j. Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of the Sultanate of Oman
   2. Bilateral meetings were arranged during ITU PP-18 for ICANN CEO with senior government officials from UAE and Egypt with the participation of GSE/GE team members.
   3. During ITU PP-18, GSE Middle East team members met with delegations from Algeria and Saudi Arabia.

g. **North America**
   1. **Public Meetings**
      1. October 1: USTTI-related social meeting; Washington, D.C.
      4. October 17: Protecting U.S. Critical Infrastructure; Washington, D.C.
      5. October 31: MIIT China Visit to Washington DC; Washington, D.C.
6. November 28: ICANN 63 Readout; Ottawa, Canada

All the above meetings were attended by relevant GSE team members with some GE team member participation from New York.

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. Meetings with the staff of the U.S. Congress to discuss WHOIS and GDPR in context of public hearings on privacy and data protection
   2. Bilateral meetings were arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and attended by the relevant DC office staff member

**h. IGO/IOs and Country Missions**

1. **Public Meetings**
   1. October 2-4: WTO Public Forum; Geneva, Switzerland
   2. October 2: CTO Forum; Trinidad (virtual); Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; [https://cto.int/events/upcoming-events/cto-ict-forum-2018/registration/](https://cto.int/events/upcoming-events/cto-ict-forum-2018/registration/) GE team member giving relevant remarks
   3. October 4: Outreach event for missions and IGO staff in Geneva organized by the Geneva office for briefing about ICANN63, HLGM, data protection and privacy efforts at ICANN Org and ICANN Community
   4. October 9: High Level Group on Internet Governance, Brussels
   5. October 10: EU Mission Briefing on GDPR; Geneva, Switzerland
   6. October 11: WTO Public Briefing; Geneva, Switzerland
   7. October 18th: Geneva Internet lunch; Ronald Diebert
   8. October 23rd: UPU Data Protection Seminar, virtual presentation
   9. October 27-November 17: ITU Plenipotentiary conference 2018; Dubai, United Arab Emirates; [https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/](https://www.itu.int/web/pp-18/en/) attended by ICANN’s CEO and executives, and GE and GSE staff members. PP-18 included several bilaterals for ICANN’s CEO with ITU-SG and senior government officials from several countries including the UAE and Egypt and many
other governments as listed in the Middle East section of this report.

10. November 11 – 12: Peace Summit and High-Level panel; ICANN CEO attended Summit and participated in High Level Panel at the Forum

11. November 12 - 14: IGF 2018; Paris, France with Executives, Board members, CEO, GE GSE and other ICANN departments participation. ICANN’s delegation participated in a GDPR workshop, a capacity building workshops and others and convened ICANN’s Open Forum about different topics of interest at ICANN. A reception together with the technical community was organized at the UNESCO venue for the IGF attendees.

12. November 15-16: OECD CDEP; Paris, France


14. November 30: EU Youth Award; Graz https://eu-youthaward.org/eya-festival/program-2018/#programml2

All the above meetings were attended by relevant GE team members and often giving relevant remarks about ICANN’s role.

2. **Bilateral Meetings**

1. October 1: UN HLP Secretariat, Geneva
2. October 9: Taiwan Mission, Geneva
3. October 17: Canada mission, Geneva
5. Bilaterals for ICANN CEO and Chairman of the Board at IGF 2018: MEPs, UNESCO representative;
6. Bilateral meetings were arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and were attended by GE team members.

**II. Planned for Activities for December 2018**

a. **Africa**

1. **Public Meetings**

   1. December 4-6: Meeting of African WG of Heads of Cybercrime Units of Interpol: Accra Ghana
2. December 13-14: Central Africa IGF, Brazzaville, Congo.

All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with the Public Meetings and will be attended by regional team members

b. **Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands**
   1. **Public Meetings**
      All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

c. **Eastern Europe Central Asia**
   1. **Public Meetings**
      1. December 4-5: 3d Eastern European DNS Forum; Moscow, Russia
      2. December 7: UADOM; Kiev, Ukraine
      3. December 11: Georgian IGF, Tbilisi, Georgia
      4. December 13-14: Scientific Conference “Cyberstability: approaches, prospects, challenges” Moscow, Russia
      All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings

d. Europe

1. **Public Meetings**
   
   1. December 11: Meeting with Hungarian ministry and .hu on setting up a Hungarian IGF; Budapest, Hungary
   
   2. December 13: Polish IGF; Warsaw, Poland
      
      All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

e. Latin America – Caribbean

1. **Public Meetings**
   
   1. December 4-5: Abuso de DNS: ferramentas e métodos para investigações; Brasilia, Brazil
   
   2. December 17-19 COM CITE, Buenos Aires Argentina
      
      All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

f. Middle East

1. **Public Meetings**
   
   1. December 10-13: Cybercrime Workshops, Ankara, Turkey
      
      All meetings will be attended by regional GSE team members

2. **Bilateral Meetings**
   
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.
g. North America

1. Public Meetings
   1. December 4: International Institute of Communications Annual Conference 2019; Washington, D.C.

2. Bilateral Meetings
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and will be attended by the relevant staff DC office member

h. IGO/IOs and Country Missions

1. Public Meetings
   1. December 11: UN workshop - training for diplomats and UN staff; New York, New York
   2. December 13-14: OECD Forum on Cybersecurity; Paris

   All the above meetings will be attended by relevant GE team members.

2. Bilateral Meetings
   1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and will be attended by GE team members.