

# GSE/GE GOVERNMENT AND IGO RELATED ACTIVITIES AS BACKGROUND FOR MONTHLY GAC CALLS

Report 61: January 2020 - December 2020 completed activities

## ACTIVITIES JANUARY - DECEMBER 2020

### I. Africa

#### A. Public Meetings

1. January 21-23: COM ITU-CEPT, Regional planning meeting of WTPF, Copenhagen, Denmark
2. February 12-14: Engagement days in Cape Verde; Praia, Cape Verde
3. February 25-26: DNS Abuse workshop; Bujumbura, Burundi
4. March 2-5: Ethiopia Internet Development Conference; Addis Ababa, Ethiopia;  
<https://www.internetsociety.org/events/ethiopia-internet-development-conference-2020/>
5. April 2: Africa ICANN67 readout webinar; Cotonou, Benin
6. April 30: Webinar on UA and Local initiatives in Africa; Cotonou, Benin
7. July 1-4: Benin 2020 SIG & IGF; <https://fgi.bj/edition-2020-de-lecole-de-la-gouvernance-dinternet-tous-en-ligne/>
8. July 14: Online webinar with Benin ccTLD
9. July 27-28: 2020 Virtual Africa DNS Forum;  
<https://dnsforum.africa/>
10. August 24-28: FFGI; Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
11. September 11-18: Virtual AIS 2020; Mauritius;  
<https://2020.internetsummit.africa/en/>

12. September 29: Africa webinar on IDN/UA for regulators
13. September 29-30: Annual meeting “Les rencontres du Numérique”; organized for lawyers by Juristic Association
14. September 30: Africa Conference call with ccTLD managers
15. October 22: 7th Interpol African Working Group Meeting on Cybercrime for Heads of Units
16. October 28: A Webinar on The DNS Economy -(.BW) Botswana; Gaborone, Botswana;  
<https://www.bocra.org.bw/sites/default/files/Program.pdf>
17. November 10: Webinar on UA for GAC members from Africa
18. November 12: Webinar with the local community in Mauriius
19. November 12: Joint MEA ICANN69 readout webinar
20. November 16: Webinar on Universal Acceptance for the ICT directors of the Association of African Universities (AAU)
21. November 20-21: Central Africa IGF 2020; Brazzaville, Republic of Congo
22. November 24-26: Africa IGF 2020; Addis-Ababa, Ethiopia; <https://2020.afigf.africa/>
23. November 27-27: Benin DNS Forum 2020;  
<https://dnsforum.bj/>

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

## B. Bilateral Meetings

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

## II. Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands

### A. Public Meetings

1. February 16-20: APRICOT 2020 & APNIC 49 & APTLD77; Melbourne, Australia
2. February 17: 2020 Global Cybersecurity Capacity Building Conference; Melbourne, Australia;  
<https://ocsc.com.au/event/global-cybersecurity-capacity-building-conference/>
3. March 23: APAC Space Web Conference (ICANN67 Readout); Singapore
4. March 25: ICANN67 Readout China; Beijing, China
5. April 7: ICANN67 Readout India; India
6. April 20: ICANN67 Readout Japan; Tokyo, Japan
7. June 28 – July 3: PacNOG 26; Suva, Fiji;  
<https://www.pacnog.org/>
8. July 3: Macau IGF 2020; Macao, China
9. July 10: ICANN68 Readout India; India
10. July 20: ICANN68 Readout China; Beijing, China
11. July 23: China IGF; Beijing, China
12. July 27: APAC Space Web Conference (ICANN68 Readout); Singapore
13. August 3-4: ICANN68 Readout Japan; Japan
14. August 11: Beijing Cyber Security (BCS) Conference; Beijing, China
15. September 2-3: APTLD78; Chinese Taipei;  
<http://aptld78.tw/>

16. September 7-9: APNIC50; Dhaka, Bangladesh
17. September 26-30: Asia Pacific Regional IGF (APrIGF) 2020; Nepal; <https://ap.rigf.asia/>
18. September 28-29: Policy and Regulatory Forum for the Pacific 13; Fiji
19. September 30-October 2: NetThing 2020; Australia
20. October 12-13: NetHui 2020; New Zealand
21. November 5-7: Bangladesh Internet Governance Forum (BIGF); Dhaka, Bangladesh
22. November 11-12: Taiwan IGF (TWIGF) 2020; Chinese Taipei; <https://www.igf.org.tw/>
23. November 16-10: Pacific Cyber Dialogue - Virtual Summit and Dialogue; Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
24. November 18: APAC Space Web Conference (ICANN69 Readout); Singapore; <https://community.icann.org/display/GSEAPAC/APAC%2520Space>
25. December 2: ICANN69 Readout Japan; Japan
26. December 7: ICANN69 Readout China; China
27. December 11: ICANN69 Readout India; India

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

**B. Bilateral Meetings**

1. Bilateral meetings were arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

**III. Eastern Europe Central Asia**

**A. Public Meetings**

1. July 8: Cyber Polygon conference; Moscow, Russia; <https://cyberpolygon.com/>

2. September 7-8: TLDCON regional conference for registries and registrars of TLD in Eastern and Central Europe <https://tldcon.ru/>
3. October 23: International Cyber Security Festival; Tbilisi, Georgia; <https://ifcs.uq.edu.ge/en>
4. November 18-19: Eastern European DNS Forum, Tbilisi, Georgia <https://eednsforum.org/>
5. October 29-30: IGF Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine <http://igf-ua.org/>
6. November 23-24: IGF Moldova, Chisinau, Moldova <http://www.igf.md/>
7. November 24-35: Turkmentel 2020, Ashgabad, Turkmenistan <https://www.turkmenistantelecoms.com/>
8. December 2-3: IGF Georgia + signing the MoU between Georgian National Communication Commission and ICANN, Tbilisi, Georgia <https://igf.ge/>
9. December 7-9: Conference of the National Association of International Information Security (Namib), Moscow, Russia: <http://namib.online/2020/12/programma-xiv-mezhdunarodnogo-foruma-partnerstvo-gosudarstva-biznesa-i-grazhdanskogo-obshhestva-pri-obespechenii-mezhdunarodnoj-informacionnoj-bezopasnosti/>
10. December 7: Government Engagement Webinar (ICANN+RIPE NCC) for representatives of governmental bodies in EE and CA. Moscow, Russia (closed meeting) <https://www.ripe.net/participate/meetings/roundtable/7-december-2020>
11. Open conference of Russian Association of Networks and Services. Moscow, Russia, <http://www.rans.ru/activity/news/399-9-dkbr-2020-goda>

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

## B. Bilateral Meetings

1. Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings

#### **IV. Europe**

##### **A. Public Meetings**

1. February 24: ICANN UK Stakeholders mtg (ICANN67 prep); London, England
2. March 30: MAGIG Meeting; London, England
3. April 20-23: Garmisch cybersecurity meeting; Garmisch, Germany
4. July 1: Close the Digital Divides: The Digital Response to COVID-19; Tallinn, Estonia
5. September 10: IGF Germany; Germany
6. October 7-9: Italy IGF 2020; Cosenza, Italy;  
<http://www.igfitalia2020.it/>
7. October 28: European launch of the Network Readiness Index 2020; Brussels, Belgium;  
<https://portulansinstitute.org/event/europe-network-readiness-and-digital-transformation-spotlight/>
8. December 9: European Internet Forum virtual debate 'Cybersecurity priorities in Europe'
9. December 11: Forum Europe, the Cyber Security Salons

##### **B. Bilateral Meetings**

1. January 16: Meetings in Brussels with EU Council Telecom Attaches and MEPs
2. February 14: Meeting with the Belgian DPA

Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings

## V. Latin America – Caribbean

### A. Public Meetings

1. January 29: February 2: FIRST Train the trainer event; Malaga Spain
2. February 2-4: CANTO 36 AGM; Varadero, Cuba; <http://www.canto.org/>
3. March 23: ICANN67 LAC Readout session; Uruguay
4. April 16: CANTO conversations - The new Normal; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
5. May 21: CITEL-ICANN: The Domain Name System How it works?; Montevideo, Uruguay
6. May 26: CANTO Conversations; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
7. July 9: ARIN / CTU - Accelerating 21st Century Government in the Caribbean; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; <http://www.ctu.int/>
8. August 27-28: CIGF16 Caribbean Internet Governance Forum; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; <http://www.ctu.int/>
9. September 1: CARICOM ICT SPACE Working Group Meeting; Georgetown, Guyana
10. Sept 8 – 10: LACIGF 13; On line, <https://lacigf.org/lacigf-13/>
11. September 21-23: CTU ICT Week 2020; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; <http://www.ctu.int/>
12. September 22: CANTO Conversations - FCC International Bureau Chief; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; <http://www.canto.org/>
13. September 24-26: IGF Bolivia, Online, <https://igfbolivia.bo/>

14. October 5-9: Virtual South School on Internet Governance; Buenos, Aires, Argentina; <https://governanzainternet.org/ssig2020/>
15. October 16: OAS Cybersecurity for Families in the new normal; Castries, Saint Lucia
16. November 23-27: LAC Domains Names Week; Montevideo, Uruguay; <https://dnsweek.lat>
17. December 1<sup>st</sup>: COMTELCA, ICT Talks, On line.
18. December 7: Internet Festival; Sao Paulo, Brazil; <https://internetfestival.com.br>
19. December 9 – 11: LACTLD Illegal Content Workshop; On Line, <https://icflac.org/>
20. December 16: El Salvador National IGF; San Salvador, El Salvador <http://www.igf.sv/>

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings

**VI. Middle East**

A. Public Meetings

1. January 7-9: Arab IGF 2020; Cairo, Egypt
2. March 23: ICANN67 Online Readout Session
3. April 2: ICANN Training Series for (.tr); Istanbul, Turkey
4. July 21: ICANN68 MEA Online Readout Session
5. July 22-29: ICANN Training Series for the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure; Istanbul, Turkey
6. September 15: UA webinar with members of the Arab ICT Organization (AICTO)



7. November 11: ICANN69 MEA Online Readout Session
8. November 23: DNSSEC Seminar for SaudiNIC
9. December 3: Second Multistakeholder Consultative Meeting on the Arab IGF and Digital Cooperation in the Arab Region

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. March 1: Ministry of Telecom and IT Palestine (MTIT)
2. March 5: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (TRC) Jordan
3. March 9: National IT Center (NITC) Jordan
4. March 9: Jordan CERT
5. April 7: Communications and IT Regulatory Authority (CITRA) Kuwait
6. April 9: Communications Regulatory Authority Qatar (CRA)
7. May 29: Communications and Media Commission Iraq (CMC)
8. June 2: Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of UAE
9. June 15: National Telecom Regulatory Authority of Egypt
10. July 3: Communications Regulatory Authority Qatar (CRA)
11. July 9: Arab ICT Organization
12. July 21: Communications and IT Regulatory Authority of Kuwait

13. July 21: Communications and IT Commission of Saudi Arabia
14. July 27: National Telecom Regulatory Authority of Egypt
15. August 10: National Telecom Regulatory Authority of Egypt
16. August 13: Information and Communication Technologies Authority of Turkey
17. August 19: Telecommunications Regulatory Authority Bahrain (TRA)
18. September 2: Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of UAE
19. 29 October: Communications and IT Commission of Saudi Arabia
20. November 5: Tunisian Cybersecurity Agency
21. November 22: Central Bank of Jordan

Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with any Public Meetings.

## **VII. North America**

### **A. Public Meetings**

1. November 24-25: 2020 Canadian IGF; Montreal, Canada

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members

### **B. Bilateral Meetings**

1. February 7: Check-in with Canadian GAC - February 2020
  
1. May 29: Check-in with Canadian GAC - May 2020

Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and were attended by the relevant staff DC office member

## VIII. IGO/IOs and Country Missions

### A. Public Meetings

1. January 14-15: IGF MAG Open Consultation; Geneva Switzerland
2. January 22: Outreach and briefing event for permanent missions to the UN, co-hosted by Estonia and Bulgarian missions to the UN; New York, NY
3. January 20-28: ECOSOC meeting UN; New York, NY
4. February 3: CWG-Internet: Online Open Consultation; Geneva, Switzerland
5. February 4-6: ITU Council WG-Internet; Geneva, Switzerland
6. February 7: CWG-WSIS & SDG and Open Consultations; Geneva, Switzerland
7. February 10: Expert Group Meeting on the New ITU Index; Geneva, Switzerland
8. February 10-11: CWG-WTPF21; Geneva, Switzerland
9. February 10-14: OEWG Session; New York, United States
10. March 30-31: OEWG Informal Consultations; New York, United States
12. April 22: Briefing for UN diplomats - 22 April 2020 (Zoom); New York, United States
13. April 22: ITU - Open Consultation on GCA Guidelines; Geneva, Switzerland
14. May 19: Com-ITU CEPT Web Meeting; Copenhagen, Denmark
15. June – September: WSIS Forum; Geneva, Switzerland

16. June 2-5: ITU, TDAG meeting; Geneva Switzerland
17. June 4: ICANN and Intergovernmental Organizations: Topics in Internet Governance at IGOs; Brussels, Belgium
18. June 9: Deciding on the Rules of the Road for Cyberspace - The Who, What, Where, When, How; Geneva, Switzerland
19. June 10-12: CSTD 23rd Session (Virtual informal meeting); Geneva, Switzerland
20. June 15-16: IGF MAG Open Consultation; Geneva Switzerland – virtual meeting:  
<https://www.intgovforum.org/multilingual/content/igf-2020-second-open-consultations-and-mag-meeting-agenda>
21. September 2: GSR Meeting; Geneva, Switzerland
22. September 8-10: CEPT Com-ITU; Geneva, Switzerland
23. October 19: Webinar on National Cybersecurity Implementation and Monitoring; Geneva, Switzerland
24. October 26: OEWG & GGE Discussion at UNGA; New York, United States
25. November 2-9: Cybersecurity resolutions passed at the UN General Assembly; New York, United States
26. December 1-3: OEWG; New York, United States
27. December 4-10: Post-OEWG Webinars;  
<http://www.letstalkcyber.org>

All the above meetings were attended by relevant GE team members.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. January 17: Bulgarian Commissioner; Sofia, Bulgaria

Bilateral meetings were arranged as needed in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and were attended by GE team members.