<u>**GSE/GE GOVERNMENT AND IGO RELATED ACTIVITIES
AS BACKGROUND FOR MONTHLY GAC CALLS**</u>

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              February 2022 Planned Activities

## COMPLETED ACTIVITIES: DECEMBER 2021– JANUARY 2022

**I.**    **Africa**

A.    <u>Public Meetings</u>
1.    December 2: Call with African community on ICANN future Meetings

2.    December 7: Subsequent Procedures (SubPro) Operational Design Phase (ODP) Webinar

3.    December 9: Quarterly call with Africa ccTLDs

4.    December 14:  First UA workshop for ccTLDs and registrars; Virtual

5.    January 18: Technical workshop: Programming for Supporting Universal Acceptance; Virtual

6.    January 31: South Africa DNS Forum 2022; Hybrid

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members. ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

B.    <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
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.    <u>Public Meetings</u>
1.    December 10-11: TWIGF2021; Virtual;
https://www.igf.org.tw/?page_id=6759

2.    December 13: Bhashantara 2021; India; Virtual;
https://www.ficci-ilia.in/

3.    December 13-15: Asia Pacific School on Internet Governance (APSIG) 2021; Colombo, Sri Lanka; https://apsig.asia/apsig21/

4.      December 14: ICANN72 Readout Japan; Virtual

5.      December 15: China Space; China; Virtual

6.      December 16: The Second China IGF; China; Virtual;
http://isc.org.cn/

7.      December 16: APAC DNS Forum Pre-Event Webinar 4;
Malaysia; Virtual; apacdnsforum.my

8.      December 29-31: Bangladesh IGF 2021; Dhaka, Bangladesh;
Hybrid; https://www.bangladeshigf.org/

9.      January 20: APAC DNS Forum 2022- Pre-Event Webinar 5;
Malaysia; Virtual; http://apacdnsforum.my/

10.     January 27: APAC Space Web Conference; Singapore; Virtual;
https://community.icann.org/display/GSEAPAC/APAC%2520Space

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members. ICANN's
OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and
provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

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

## III.    Eastern Europe Central Asia

A.    Public Meetings
1.      No public meetings involving governments occurred in December
and January.

All meetings were attended by regional GSE or GE team Members.
ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in
attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

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

## IV.    Europe

A.    Public Meetings
1.      November 29: The Future Tech Forum, UK Digital, Culture, Media
and Sport (DCMS); London, United Kingdom

2. December 6-10: IGF [16th annual meeting](); Katowice, Poland; Hybrid

All meetings were attended by regional GSE or GE team Members. ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

B. Bilateral Meetings
1. November 30: National Crime Agency and National Cyber Security Centre; London, United Kingdom

2. December 1: Meeting with Member of the European Parliament (MEP) Eva Maydell; Meeting with the Director General DG Connect Roberto Viola; and the Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth Mariya Gabriel; Brussels, Belgium

3. December 2: Meeting with the Digital Adviser to the President of the Commission, Anthony Whelan; Brussels, Belgium

4. December 3: Meeting with the Director for Future Networks in the European Commission, DG Connect, Pearse O'Donohue; Meeting with the Chef du service de l'économie numérique, Ministère de l'Économie, des Finances et de la Relance, Mathieu Weill; Brussels, Belgium

5. December 6: Meeting with Microsoft Vice President, European Government Affairs, Casper Klynge; Brussels, Belgium

6. December 8: Meeting with MEP Bart Groothuis; Meeting with MEP Andrus Ansip; Brussels, Belgium

7. December 9: Meeting with the Cabinet of Executive Vice President Vestager; Brussels, Belgium

8. December 10: Meeting with the Deputy Director General DG Grow Maive Rute; Brussels, Belgium

## V. Latin America – Caribbean

A. Public Meetings
1. January 27-28: TTIGF 2022; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; [https://igf.tt/](https://igf.tt/)

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members. ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

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

## VI.      Middle East

A.      Public Meetings
1.      December 9: Meeting and a presentation on DNSSEC validation to the Telecom Egypt executive team; Virtual

2.      December 13-16: DNSSEC lab and training in conjunction with both the Saudi Arabia ICT regulator CITC and the .SA administrator SaudiNic

All meetings were attended by regional GSE team members. ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

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

## VII.      North America

A.      Public Meetings
1.      December 1: Confirmation Hearing of Alan Davidson for NTIA Administrator

2.      December 8-10: Summit for Democracy; United States;  Hybrid

3.      December 9: U.S. House of Representatives Hearing: Holding Big Tech Accountable, Legislation to Build a Safer Internet

4.      December 14: Tech "Year of Action:" Reflections on The Summit for Democracy and Paths Forward

5.      January 26: Virtual Briefing on Canadian Legislative Proposals for 2022

B.      Bilateral Meetings
1.      December 15: Tri-annual check-in with Canadian GAC reps

2.      January 31: Briefing with Canadian GAC members and ICANN staff; Virtual

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. <u>Public Meetings</u>

1.  December 1: Year of the Cyber Norms (Columbia University); New York, USA; Virtual

2.  December 7: Progressing Cyber Accountability: Private Sector, NGO's and the UN; Washington, DC, USA; Virtual

3.  December 13: LetsTalkCyber event (new OEWG); New York, USA; Hybrid

4.  December 13-17: UN OEWG First Session, New York, USA; Hybrid

5.  December 14: DiploFoundation presentation; Switzerland, Geneva; https://www.diplomacy.edu/event/digital-standards-china-and-geopolitics-what-is-at-stake/

6.  December 14: The Oxford Process on International Law Protections in Cyberspace OEWG side event (University of Oxford); New York, USA; Virtual

7.  December 16-18: ITU WTPF Sixth World Telecommunication/Information and Communication Technology Policy Forum, Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/wtpf21/en/

8.  January 6: Fourth Interregional Meeting for Preparation of WTSA-20; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/wtsa20/irc/Pages/default.aspx

9.  January 10: ITU TSAG Opening Plenary; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/tsag/2017-2020/Pages/default.aspx

10. January 11: Online Open Consultations CWG-Internet; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-internet/Pages/consultation-oct2021.aspx

11. January 11-12: ITU Council Working Group on Financial and Human Resources; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-fhr/Pages/default.aspx

12.     January 12: ITU Council Working Group on Child Online Protection; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-cop/Pages/default.aspx

13.     January 12: Transatlantic Tech Partnerships: Competitiveness and Collaboration in Global Digital Markets; Bruxelles, Belgium

14.     January 13-14: ITUCouncil Working Group for strategic and financial plans 2024-2027; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/council/CWG-SFP-2024-2027/Pages/default.aspx

15.     January 17: ITU TSAG Closing Plenary; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-T/tsag/2017-2020/Pages/default.aspx

16.     January 17-18: ITU Council Expert Group on ITRs; Geneva, Switzerland; https://www.itu.int/en/council/Pages/eg-itrs.aspx

17.     January 19-20: ITU Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues; https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-internet/Pages/default.aspx

18.     January 19-20: ITU Council Working Group on WSIS and SDGs; https://www.itu.int/en/council/cwg-wsis/Pages/default.aspx

19.     January 17-28: AHC UN; New York; postponed until further notice.

All the above meetings were attended by relevant GE team members. ICANN's OCTO Technical Engagement team members were in attendance and provided assistance or facilitation when necessary.

B.     <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
1.     January 7-12: Bilateral meetings with the new Bulgarian government; Sofia, Bulgaria

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


## PLANNED ACTIVITIES: FEBRUARY 2022

**I.**     **Africa**

A.     <u>Public Meetings</u>
1.     February 15: DNSSEC validation webinar to the Telecom Egypt technical team

2. February 15: Panel on Universal Acceptance: Its Impact and Next Steps; Cotonou, Benin

B. <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed with different stakeholders in conjunction with the Public Meetings and will be attended by regional team members.

## II. Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands

A. <u>Public Meetings</u>
No public meetings involving governments planned for February at this time.

B. <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

## III. Eastern Europe Central Asia

A. <u>Public Meetings</u>
No public meetings involving governments planned for February at this time.

B. <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

## IV. Europe

A. <u>Public Meetings</u>
No public meetings involving governments planned for February at this time.

B. <u>Bilateral Meetings</u>
Bilateral meetings will be arranged in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders.

## V. Latin America – Caribbean

A. <u>Public Meetings</u>
1. February 10-11: CANTO 38th AGM; Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago; https://www.canto.org/agm/

2. February 15-18: VIII Regular Meeting of the General Assembly of CITEL; Washington DC; https://www.citel.oas.org/en/Pages/Calendar-Agenda.aspx

3. February 24: GAC LAC Preparatory for ICANN 73; Montevideo, Uruguay; Virtual

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

## VI. Middle East

A. Public Meetings
No public meetings involving governments planned for February at this time.

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

## VII. North America

A. Public Meetings
No public meetings involving governments planned for February at this time.

B. Bilateral Meetings
Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed in conjunction with the Public Meetings with different stakeholders and will be attended by the relevant staff DC office members.

## VIII. IGO/IOs and Country Missions

A. Public Meetings
No public meetings involving IGO/IOs and Country Missions planned for February at this time.

B. Bilateral Meetings
Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed in conjunction with the Public Meetings (and/or separately) with different stakeholders and will be attended by GE team members.