

GSE/GE GOVERNMENT AND IGO RELATED ACTIVITIES

REPORT 86: November 2025 - March 2026 Completed Activities; April 2026 planned activities

COMPLETED ACTIVITIES: November 2025- March 2026

(Where possible, we have added information on the topics discussed in italics)

I. Africa

A. Public Meetings

1. 09 December 2025: Africa Engagement Forum; Accra-Ghana. Topics: ICANN ecosystem; Topics: *IANA; Next Round, Coalition for Digital Africa.*
2. 10 December 2025: Africa DNS Forum; Accra, Ghana. Topics: *DNS, DNSSEC.*
3. 17-18 February: Central Africa IGF Bujumbura, Burundi and virtual. Topics: *ICANN Ecosystem, DNS, DNSSEC.*
4. 25 February: ICANN-ITU-ATU webinar for African stakeholders, including governments, on ICANN's capacity building catalogue; virtual.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 10 December 2025: Bilateral with the Minister for Communication, Digital Technology and Innovations. Accra, Ghana. *Topic: Collaboration in Africa's Digital Ecosystem*
2. 24 November 2025: Bilateral with the Secretary General, African Telecommunications Union (ATU) on the sidelines of ITU WTDC 2025. *Topics: Coalition for Digital Africa and IPv6 deployment in Africa and collaboration.*
3. 2 March: Bilateral meeting with the Ghana Minister for Communication, Digital Technology and Innovations; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: WSIS+20, AFRINIC Update, Participation in GAC.*

II. Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands

A. Public Meetings

1. 7 - 9 November 2025: World Internet Conference - Wuzhen Summit; Wuzhen, China.
2. 21 November 2025: ICANN84 China Readout; Beijing, China.
3. 24 - 28 November 2025: PacNOG 36; Avarua, Cook Islands.
4. 27 - 28 November 2025: India IGF 2025; New Delhi, India.
5. 29 November - 1 December 2025: Bangladesh IGF 2025; Dhaka, Bangladesh.
6. 11 December 2025: ICANN84 Japan Readout; Tokyo, Japan.

7. 28 - 29 January 2026: Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT) 2nd Preparatory meeting for ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026; virtual.
8. 19 January 2026: APAC GAC Network Call; virtual.
9. 2 - 4 February 2026: Asia Pacific Top Level Domain Association (APTLD) 89; Amman, Jordan.
10. 8 February 2026: AP* Meeting; Jakarta, Indonesia.
11. 10 February 2026: Global CyberPeace Summit 2.0; New Delhi, India.
12. 7 March 2026: APAC GAC Network meeting at ICANN85; Mumbai, India.
13. 10 March 2026: APAC Space @ ICANN85; Mumbai, India.
14. 16 - 18 March 2026: APT 1st Correspondence Group on Strategic Plan 2027-2029; virtual.
15. 23 - 25 March 2026: Commonwealth Digital Roadshow; Port Vila, Vanuatu
16. 28 March 2026: ISOC UA Day 2026; Hyderabad, India.
17. 30 March - 2 April 2026: APT 3rd Preparatory Meeting for ITU PP 2026; Bangkok, Thailand.
18. 30 March 2026: World Data Organization Inaugural Meeting; Beijing, China.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 25 to 27 November 2025: meetings with the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of China (MIIT) and the Cyberspace Administration of China; Beijing, China. *Topics: Next Round gTLD, Internet Governance, IDN/UA, emerging technologies.*
2. 26 November 2025: meeting with the Department of ICT under the Office of the Prime Minister, Cook Islands. *Topics: new gTLD and updates from ICANN84.*
3. 13 - 14 January 2026: meeting with India's Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY); New Delhi, India. *Topics: matters related to ICANN85, digital transformation.*
4. 20 January 2026: meeting with the Infocomm Media Development Authority of Singapore and SGNIC; Singapore. *Topics: DNS Abuse, Next Round gTLD, emerging technology.*
5. 23 March 2026: meeting with the Ministry of Communication and IT, Samoa and the Department of Communications, Vanuatu. *Topics: new gTLD: 2026 Round, IXes, L-root, digital transformation, cybersecurity.*

III. Eastern Europe Central Asia

A. Public Meetings

1. 11 February 2026: Georgian IGF, Tbilisi, Georgia.
2. 31 March 2026: Armenian UA Day, Yerevan, Armenia.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 10 February 2026: Bilateral with .GE manager, Tbilisi, Georgia.
2. 8 March 2026: Bilateral meeting (1) with .RU manager during ICANN85.
3. 9 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with .SU manager during ICANN85.
4. 11 March 2026: Bilateral meeting (2) with .RU manager during ICANN85.
5. 30 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with Information Systems Agency of Armenia (ISAA), Yerevan, Armenia.
6. 31 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with Ministry Of High-Tech Industry Of The Republic Of Armenia, Yerevan, Armenia.

IV. Europe

A. Public Meetings

1. 12 November 2025: Council of Europe's Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) 2nd Meeting with industry and service providers; Online. *Topic: RDRS.*
2. 19 November 2025: Europe Internet Forum (EIF) event on "Online piracy of live sports and other live events"; Brussels, Belgium.
3. 3 December 2025: Eurid's .eu Day on "Europe's Digital Sovereignty in Focus"; Brussels, Belgium.
4. 4 December 2025: Europe Internet Forum (EIF) event on "The future of the European Standardisation System"; Brussels, Belgium.
5. 11 December 2025: UK IGF; London, United Kingdom.
6. 11 February 2026: Commonwealth Telecommunications Organization's (CTO) 125th Commonwealth Digital Diplomacy Forum; London, United Kingdom.
7. 24 February 2026: ITU Regional Development Forum for Europe; Prague, Czech Republic.
8. 2-4 March 2026: Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2026; Barcelona, Spain.
9. 12 March: World Economic Forum Partnership Against Cybercrime, Online Session. Topic: DNS Abuse.
10. 24 March 2026: European Internet Forum, EIF Lunch Debate "Building a sovereign EU cloud ecosystem", European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium.

11. 25-27 March 2026: CEPT Committee for ITU Policies (Com-ITU); Prague, Czech Republic.
12. 31 March 2026: 14th BEREC Stakeholder Forum; Brussels, Belgium.
13. 31 March-2 April 2026: INCYBER Forum Europe; Lille, France.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 3 December 2025: Bilateral meeting with the European Commission's Directorate General for Communications, Networks, Content and Technology (DG Connect); Brussels, Belgium.
2. 11 December 2025: High Level Group on Internet Governance (HLIG) meeting; Brussels, Belgium. *Topics: ICANN84 Debrief.*
3. 20 January 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Polish Ministry of Digital Affairs; Warsaw, Poland. *Topics: IG, DNS Security, Next Round.*
4. 20 January 2026: Meeting with the Irish Permanent Representation to the EU; Brussels, Belgium.
5. 2 February 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Icelandic Ministry of Infrastructure; Reykjavík, Iceland.
6. 18 February 2026: ICANN workshop with the Irish government; Dublin, Ireland. *Topics: IG, ICANN's MSM, DNS Abuse, Geopolitics.*
7. February/March 2026: Several online meetings with Lithuanian digital ambassador. *Topic: upcoming LT presidency in the European Council and possible cooperation with ICANN*
8. 1 March 2026: EIF-GSMA MWC26 Reception & Bilateral meeting with a Member of the European Parliament; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
9. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Belgian Institute for Postal Services and Telecommunications (BIPT); Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, DNS abuse, Next Round.*
10. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
11. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Cyprus Ministry for Research, Innovation and Digital Policy; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
12. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Finnish Minister of Transport and Communications; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
13. 3 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Swedish Post and Telecom Authority (PTS); Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*

14. 3 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Icelandic Electronic Communications Office (ECOI); Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
15. 8 March 2026: RIPE Roundtable for Governments and Regulators; Brussels, Belgium.

V. Latin America and Caribbean

A. Public Meetings

1. 5-6 November 2025: LACIGF 2025; Cordoba, Argentina.
2. 24 March 2026: Parliamentary Summit | Anticipating the Digital Future: Strengthening Parliamentary Governance and Democratic Innovation; Montevideo, Uruguay.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 3 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Brazilian National Telecommunication Agency (Anatel); Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ITU PP.*

VI. Middle East

A. Public Meetings

1. 4-6 November 2025: The 2nd World Summit for Social Development, Doha, Qatar. *Joining a panel organized by UNESCO on multilingualism in the digital era.*
2. 12 November 2025: Seminar on the New gTLD Program: Next Round in Kuwait. Hosted by the Communications and IT Regulatory Authority (CITRA); Kuwait.
3. 14 November 2025: Seminar on the New gTLD Program: Next Round Hosted by the Ministry of IT and Telecom; Islamabad, Pakistan.
4. 30 November - 3 December 2025: Organized the in-person part of the training program for fresh graduates and women in ICT. The event was in collaboration with the TRA of Oman.
5. 14-18 December 2025: Organized a DNS Operations and DNSSEC workshop in Saudi Arabia in collaboration with the Communications, Space, and Technology Commission (CST).
6. 18-20 January 2026: Organized a DNSSEC workshop for banks operating in Jordan in collaboration with the Central Bank of Jordan.
7. 28 January 2026: Seminar on the New gTLD Program: Next Round in Dubai, UAE. Hosted by the Telecommunications and Digital Regulatory Authority (TDRA), Dubai, UAE.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 30 December 2025: Organized a meeting with the FinCERT division of the Central bank of Jordan to discuss the project and the workshop
2. 23 January 2026: Meeting with the GAC representative from the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transportation of Türkiye; Ankara, Türkiye.
3. 5 November 2025: Meeting with the Communication Regulatory Authority; Qatar.
4. 28 January 2026: Organized a meeting with the FinCERT division of the Central bank of Jordan and the .JO registry to discuss the post-workshop work
5. 28 January 2026: Meeting with the Head of International Relations at the Telecommunications and Digital Regulatory Authority (TDRA), UAE.
6. 3 February 2026: Organized a meeting with the .BH ccTLD. *Topic: upcoming DNSSEC workshop.*
7. 18 February: ICANN CEO meeting with the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transportation, Ankara, Türkiye. *Topics: WSIS+20 and DNSSEC.*

VII. North America

A. Public Meetings

1. 1-7 November: IETF 124, Montreal, Canada.
2. 4 February: Brookings Institute, “The Future of Communications Regulation with FCC Commissioner Olivia Trusty”, Washington, DC (Hybrid).
3. 12 February: Brookings Institute, “A Conversation with NTIA Assistant Secretary Arielle Roth on the Future of the Digital Economy”, Washington, DC (Hybrid).

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. No bilateral meetings occurred during this time period for the region.

VIII. IGO and Global Meetings

A. Public Meetings

1. 14 November 2025: WSIS+20 Consultations with Stakeholders; online, New York, USA.
2. 17 November 2025: CSTD Intersessional Panel 2025-2026; Geneva,

Switzerland. *Topic: WSIS+20 Review.*

3. 17 - 28 November 2025: ITU WTDC 2025; Baku, Azerbaijan.
4. 19 November 2025: GE organized WSIS+20 Briefing for U.N. Diplomats; United Nations HQ; New York, USA.
5. 11 December 2025: presentation of possible cooperation areas to the Senior Management Team of ITU
6. 16 - 17 December 2025: WSIS+20 review conference: CEO speech at UNGA, participation in 2 side-events of the conference and co-organization of one side-event; New York, USA.
7. 15 January 2026: ITU Council Working Group on WSIS and SDGs; Geneva, Switzerland.
8. 19 January 2026: ITU Expert Group - International Telecommunication Regulations, Geneva, Switzerland.
9. 20 January 2026: ITU Council Working group on Internet, Geneva, Switzerland
10. 26 - 30 January 2026: Organizational meeting of the States Parties to the UN Convention against Cybercrime to develop Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the States Parties of the Convention; Vienna, Austria.
11. 25 February 2026: webinar for African stakeholders co-organized by ITI, ATU and ICANN.
12. 27 February 2026: online meeting with newly appointed UNESCO Assistant Director General for Communication and Information.
13. 24 March 2026: ITU European Regional Development Forum, Prague, Czech Republic.
14. 25-27 March 2026: ITU PP26 European regional preparatory meeting (CEPT), Prague, Czech Republic.
15. 30-31 March 2026: Global Mechanism on developments in the field of ICTs in the context of international security and advancing responsible State behaviour in the use of ICTs'.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. December, January: Working meetings with diplomats following digital agenda at the UN in New York, Vienna and in Geneva (Albania, Brazil, Bulgaria, Finland, Germany, Kenya, Latvia, Lithuania, Switzerland, United States, European Union, UK), as well as meetings with UN and UN agencies staff (UNDESA, UNESCO, UNDP, UNODC, IGF Secretariat).
2. 16-17 December 2025: CEO met with the following during the WSIS+20 review at UNGA: Minister of Transport and Infrastructure of Turkey Abdulkadir Uraloglu; Renata Mielli, Special Advisor to the Minister of Science, Technology and

Innovation and Coordinator of the Brazilian Internet Steering Committee; German Minister of telecom Dr. Karsten Wildberger; Under Secretary of State, Finland, Mr. Jarno Syrjälä; ITU SG Doreen Bogdan-Martin; UNESCO ADG Dr. Tawfik Jelassi; IGF Secretariat, Chegetai Masango.

3. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with ITU-D Director; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: WSIS+20 Outcomes, ITU PP, Coalition for Digital Africa.*
4. 2 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with OECD Secretary General; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: WSIS+20 outcomes, IG, geopolitics.*
5. 3 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with ITU Secretary-General; Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, ICANN86.*
6. 3 March 2026: Bilateral meeting with the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organization (CTO); Barcelona, Spain. *Topics: IG, Next Round, WSIS+20 outcomes, Coalition for Digital Africa.*
7. 31 March 2026: bilateral sideline meetings with the delegates of the Global Mechanism on ICT Security: Moldova, Switzerland, Canada, Australia, EU, the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Ukraine.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES: April 2026

II. Africa

A. Public Meetings

1. 13-17 April: 1st African Preparatory Meeting for WTSA-28 and Capacity Building Workshop on Over-The-Top Services (OTTs); Accra, Ghana.
2. 15 April: UA Day; Accra, Ghana.
3. 17 April: Academic Engagement at University of Professional Studies; Accra, Ghana.
4. 22 April: UA Day; Freetown, Sierra Leone.
5. 29 April: UA Day; Dakar, Senegal.

B. Bilateral Meetings

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

III. Asia / Australasia Pacific Islands

A. Public Meetings

1. 8 April 2026: ICANN85 China Readout; Beijing, China.
2. 10 April: UA Day - The Application of Chinese Domain names in the

E-Commerce Era; Xiamen, China.

3. 13 April: Pacific Islands Telecommunications Association (PITA) 30th AGM; Rarotonga, Cook Islands.
4. 13 - 14 April 2026: World Internet Conference - APAC Summit; Hong Kong, China.
5. 21 April: MYNIC Security Conference; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
6. 22 April: DNSSEC Workshop; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
7. 23 April: ITU Girls in ICT Day Thailand 2026 Opening Ceremony; Bangkok, Thailand.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 15 April: Internet training for Indonesia's KOMDIGI; virtual. *Topics: the basics of Internet, policy-making at ICANN, contracted parties, 2026 Round.*

IV. Eastern Europe Central Asia

A. Public Meetings

1. 28 April: Central Asia Internet Governance Forum; Dushanbe, Tajikistan.

B. Bilateral Meetings

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

V. Europe

A. Public Meetings

1. 16 April: Internet Dialogues on Untangling Internet Outages; Brussels, Belgium.
2. 20-24 April: SWING - School on Internet Governance 2026; Bruges, Belgium.

B. Bilateral Meetings

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

VI. Latin America and Caribbean

A. Public Meetings

1. No public meetings planned at this time.

B. Bilateral Meetings

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

VII. Middle East

A. Public Meetings

1. No public meetings planned at this time.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. 7 April: Bilateral meetings in Cairo, Egypt with:
 - A. Vice President of the National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (NTRA) and Head of EG-CERT
 - B. Egypt's GAC representatives
 - C. The Minister of Communication and Information Technology
 - D. International Relations Head at the National Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (NTRA) and Advisor to the Minister on Economic issues
2. 9 April: Follow-up meeting with the GAC Representative and .tr ccTLD to address action items agreed between ICANN CEO and the Deputy Minister of Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure; Virtual, Türkiye.

VIII. North America

A. Public Meetings

1. No public meetings planned at this time.

B. Bilateral Meetings

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

IX. IGO and Global Meetings

A. Public Meetings

1. 7-10 April: ITU Telecommunication Development Advisory Group; Geneva Switzerland.
2. 13-17 April: ITU Telecommunication Development Sector Study Group Meeting 1; Geneva, Switzerland
3. 20-24 April: ITU Telecommunication Development Sector (ITU-D) Study Group 2; Geneva, Switzerland
4. 20-24 April: UN Commission of Science and Technology for Development (CSTD); Geneva, Switzerland.
5. 28 April - 8 May: Session of ITU Council; Geneva, Switzerland.

B. Bilateral Meetings

1. Bilateral meetings will be arranged as needed with governmental stakeholders in conjunction with public meetings.