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

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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; 
      5. April 2: Africa ICANN67 readout webinar; Cotonou, Benin
      6. April 30: Webinar on UA and Local initiatives in Africa; Cotonou, Benin
      8. July 14: Online webinar with Benin ccTLD
                     https://dnsforum.africa/
     10. August 24-28: FFGI; Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
     11. September 11-18: Virtual AIS 2020; Mauritius; 
12. September 29: Africa webinar on IDN/UA for regulators


14. September 30: Africa Conference call with ccTLD managers

15. October 22: 7th Interpol African Working Group Meeting on Cybercrime for Heads of Units


17. November 10: Webinar on UA for GAC members from Africa

18. November 12: Webinar with the local community in Maurius

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)


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


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


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
18. September 28-29: Policy and Regulatory Forum for the Pacific 13; Fiji
19. September 30-October 2: NetThing 2020; Australia
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/](https://tldcon.ru/)


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](https://www.ripe.net/participate/meetings/roundtable/7-december-2020)


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
   3. April 20-23: Garmisch cybersecurity meeting; Garmisch, Germany
   5. September 10: IGF Germany; Germany
   6. October 7-9: Italy IGF 2020; Cosenza, Italy; http://www.igfitalia2020.it/
   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
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/
14. October 5-9: Virtual South School on Internet Governance; Buenos Aires, Argentina; [https://gobernanzainternet.org/ssiq2020/](https://gobernanzainternet.org/ssiq2020/)

15. October 16: OAS Cybersecurity for Families in the new normal; Castries, Saint Lucia


18. December 7: Internet Festival; Sao Paulo, Brazil; [https://internetfestival.com.br](https://internetfestival.com.br)

19. December 9 – 11: LACTLD Illegal Content Workshop; Online; [https://icflac.org/](https://icflac.org/)


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
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


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


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


19. June 10-12: CSTD 23rd Session (Virtual informal meeting); Geneva, Switzerland


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.