

ICANN MEETING OBJECTIVES – TALKING POINTS

The consultation process for inputs into the schedule is still evolving and we will improve it with SO/AC guidance for Cancún.

2020 Meeting Objectives

- The need for a more defined purpose and format for Constituency Day meetings with the board has been identified by the community.
- What are the objectives of these meetings for individual SO/AC groups? For the community as a whole?
- Request for the community to document their objectives for each meeting to see where we can make improvements.

Well-defined goals and objectives from the community will help to reinforce scheduling priorities, eliminate out-of-scope requests and strengthen overall meeting management.

Background: Meeting objectives as defined by the community in 2014.

Community Forum

The Community Forum structure includes time for internal work of the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees (SO/ACs), cross-community interaction, and sessions on topics of community-wide interest.

The Policy Forum

The Policy Forum is dedicated to policy development work of the Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees (SO/ACs), and regional outreach activities. The shortened agenda has no formal opening ceremony, no public forums, and no board meetings.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM includes time for internal SO/AC work and cross-community interaction, but the overall focus is to showcase ICANN's work to a broader global audience, with more time dedicated to capacity building and leadership training sessions.

Progress (2014-2019)

- SO/AC planning group has a uniform process for identifying topics and planning community-based sessions for all three meeting types.
- Shortened agenda and restrictions at the Policy Forum have resulted in more reasonable working hours, fewer session conflicts and more cross-community involvement in plenary sessions. Approximately 100 sessions have been cut from the schedule.