

MEAC Regional Strategy 2021-2025

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Introduction

- ICANN MEAC regional strategy covers the 22 Arab states, in addition to Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan and Turkey.
- ICANN MEAC regional strategy has 4 focus Areas corresponding to 4 of ICANN's strategic objectives
- Each regional focus area has regional goals, expected outcomes and suggested action steps

MEAC regional goals and At-Large interest

Focus Area	ICANN Strategic Objective	Regional Strategic Goals	ALAC/End Users Interest
Security	Strengthen the security of the Domain Name System and the DNS Root Server System	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Support the development of technical capacities and the building of regional network of technical experts to further strengthen the security of the DNS in the region.2. Identify and mitigate security threats to the DNS through engagement with relevant stakeholders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ALSs and individual members could have a role in the development of the technical capacities.• ALAC has been focusing on the topic of DNS abuse, its impact on end users and how to mitigate it.• The ALSs and individual members could have a role in assessing the regional needs in terms of capacity development and expertise

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ICANN's Governance	Improve the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Support and grow active, informed, and effective stakeholder participation from the region.2. Take part in the improvement of ICANN's multistakeholder model; and share learnings and experiences at regional and national levels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ALSs and individual members could have a role in increasing community members participation from the region in ICANN's policy making.

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Unique Identifiers	Evolve the unique identifier systems in coordination and collaboration with relevant parties to continue to serve the needs of the global Internet user base	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Support the use of IDNs in the region.2. Promote readiness for Universal Acceptance and encourage stakeholders from technology developers, service providers and policy makers to consider UA implementation.3. Inform regional stakeholders about the new round of generic top-level domains (gTLDs).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ALAC through the outreach and engagement working group could have a role in keeping the stakeholders informed about the new round of TLDs• Refer to the alac advices in relation to IDNs and UA•

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Unique Identifiers	Evolve the unique identifier systems in coordination and collaboration with relevant parties to continue to serve the needs of the global Internet user base	<p>4. Encourage the deployment of latest standards and protocols related to the unique identifier systems within ICANN's remit.</p> <p>5. Promote ICANN's role as it relates to the unique identifiers within the multistakeholder community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ALAC through its working groups in addition to the ALSs and individual members could have a role in keeping the stakeholders informed about the new round of TLDs• At-Large could help in promoting the adoption of new DNS-related standards and protocols

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Geopolitics	Address geopolitical issues impacting ICANN's mission to ensure a single, globally interoperable Internet	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Monitor legislative efforts that could impact ICANN's mission or operations at national and regional levels2. Work with ICANN's Supporting Organizations and Advisory Committees to expand outreach to the wider community and engage with all stakeholders in relation to ICANN's mission and policy making.	ALAC outreach and engagement working group could be of help in this regard.

Conclusion

- It is in the interest of ALAC to provide a comment as many of the action items in the strategy relate to At-Large's work

Thank you
Questions?