GSE - Trip Report – Latin America & Caribbean

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Event Topics

- **ccTLD issues,**
- **Cybersecurity,**
- **DNS Industry,**
- **DNSSEC,**
- **DNS Industry,**
- **General ICANN Overview,**
- **Government / IGO Issues, gTLDs,**
- **IANA Stewardship Transition,**
- **ICANN Accountability,**
- **Internationalized Domain Names,**
- **Multistakeholder Model,**
- **Participation and Outreach,**
- **Role of ICT in Development, SSR**

Speaking Topics

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- **LAC Strategy and Caribbean Participation**

Stakeholder Outreach

- **Academia, Business,**
- **Civil Society,**
- **DNS Industry**
- **Government / IGO / IO,**
- **Media,**
- **Technical Community**

Report

The 11th Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (CIGF) was a well attended meeting over 3 days with capacity building, and deep stakeholder engagement on matters pertaining to Internet Governance from a Caribbean Perspective. ICANN was able to present on 3 separate occasions over the 3 days and also made brief remarks at the opening ceremony. The main theme of the CIGF was "Fostering national multi-stakeholder structures for Caribbean Internet Development."

Observations

The discussion at this event was rich with varying views on several internet governance topics leading to debate and substantive discussions. ICANN was able to give an update on the status of the IANA Stewardship Transition and Enhancing Accountability along with encouraging Caribbean stakeholders to participate in the Public Comment periods related to ICANN policy development, and also to participate on working groups related to the LAC Strategy.

Issues For Follow-Up

There were several expressions of interest by Caribbean stakeholders to participate on working groups related to the LAC Strategy and this will be followed up. Several territories are taking steps to develop their multi-stakeholder structures and ICANN will provide guidance when as requested. Output from the several working sessions will feed an update of the Caribbean Internet Governance Policy Framework (CIGPF).