RECOMMENDATION 31: GAC LIAISON ON PDP WORKING GROUPS

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Part One – Which ICANN Objective does this meet

Promote ICANN's role and multistakeholder approach. See Strategic Plan, page 19 at:
https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/files/strategic-plan-2016-2020-10oct14-en.pdf

Alignment with Strategic Objectives

Goal	Encourage community role in implementation.
Project/Recommendation	That the GAC-GNSO Consultation Group on GAC Early Engagement in the GNSO Policy Development Process continue its two work streams as priority projects. As a part of its work it should consider how the GAC could appoint a non-binding, non-voting liaison to the Working Group of each relevant GNSO PDP as a means of providing timely input.

SCOPE DESCRIPTION

Scope Statement

1. Staff to confirm the status of implementation of the GNSO GAC Consultation Group recommendations and if/how this approach was considered by the CG.
2. The GNSO Review Working Group to determine whether this recommendation has been implemented.
3. If the recommendation has been implemented, GNSO Review Working Group to detail how it has been implemented.
4. If not, GNSO Review Working Group to detail what parts of the recommendation are still outstanding and recommend how these are expected to be implemented.

Out of Scope

The above scope is sufficiently clear.

Assumptions

The the current GNSO GAC Liaison can take the approach recommended by the GNSO GAC Consultation Group to assign a non-binding, non-voting liaison to the Working Group of each relevant GNSO PDP.

Deliverables

A plan for the assignment of a non-bing, non-voting liaison to the Working Group of each relevant GNSO PDP.

OPTION ANALYSIS

Consider whether a liaison is necessary or whether a GAC member of a Working Group provides a sufficient level of participation.

SOLUTION

1. Staff has determined that the GNSO GAC Consultation Group has completed its work. See: GAC-GNSO Consultation Group wiki: https://community.icann.org/x/phPRAg.
2. On approach could be for the GNSO Council to ask GNSO GAC Liaison to take this role. An alternative option that was identified was whether GAC as members of PDP Working Groups could fulfill the liaison role, if only informally. For example, there is a particularly active GAC member on the New gTLD Subsequent Procedures and this person does appear to be endeavoring to represent the interests of the GAC on the Working Group.
3. Staff hereby presents the results of the review to the Working Group.
4. The Working Group will determine whether the optioins constitute the implementation of the recommendation.

KEY DEPENDENCIES

GAC willingness to provide liaisons or members to GNSO PDP Working Groups.

RISK IDENTIFICATION

That there will not be sufficient volunteers to provide GAC representation on every PDP Working Group.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

It is not clear to staff whether a KPI applies to the implementation of this recommendation.

NECESSARY TO PROCEED

Next Phase Activities/Resources

Ensure GAC liaison or member coverage in current PDP Working Groups.

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