ICANN/GAC Secretariat Hybrid Model Set Up

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Scope

Brazil, Netherlands and Norway volunteer to ensure a

- professional
- independent and
- sustainable

GAC secretariat for the next 5 years

Main points

- Hybrid; co-financed by ICANN
- Working in the ICANN framework
- Transparent and accountable to GAC
- Light weight
- Funding mechanism
- Separate hosting arrangement
- In place Q1/Q2 of 2011

Governance & Accountability

- Nomination and appointments
- Working arrangements
- Collaboration with ICANN
- Operating under direct line of GAC chair
- Accountable to the membership
- Evaluation on regular basis

Reactions GAC members

- Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, USA
- Most basics reiterated:
 - accountability
 - working hand in hand with ICANN
 - light-weight
 - no administrative burdens
 - open for contributions of other countries
 - should not be policy developing entity

Concerns and questions

- Tasks secretariat: limited or extended?
- Will it not grow in size and complexity?
- Involvement GAC in secretariat?
- Performance assessment

Way forward

- Explore ways to accommodate concerns
- Clarity about
 - scope of secretariat work > JWG-report
 - relationship GAC secretariat
- Adjusted proposal and green light to start preparations and transition as from ICANN Brussels

Thank you

On behalf of Brazil, Norway and The Netherlands,

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