

30 March 2022

Re: GAC-GNSO Consultation on Closed Generics

Manal Ismail  
Chair, ICANN Governmental Advisory Committee (GAC)

Dear Manal,

Thank you for the [letter of 10 March 2022](#) regarding the interest of the GAC to participate in the ICANN Board-facilitated Governmental Advisory Committee-Generic Names Supporting Organization (GAC-GNSO) consultation process on closed generics. We appreciate the good [discussions](#) held during the ICANN73 meeting on this topic. To complement these discussions, we hope the GAC found the [Framing Paper](#) shared with the GAC and the GNSO Council on 10 March 2022 helpful to the dialogue on a mutually agreeable way forward.

Again, the ICANN Board would like to thank the GAC for its continued engagement and willingness to participate in this important dialogue and we look forward to our future engagement on the topic. The Board acknowledges the GAC's willingness to have the At Large Advisory Committee participate in the consultation process. We encourage the GAC and the GNSO Council to consider this matter as part of your discussions regarding the proposed dialogue.

Best regards,



Maarten Botterman  
Chair, ICANN Board of Directors