

GLOBAL CBPR FORUM

The Global Forum Assembly (GFA)

Annual Work Program, through April 2026

Since the establishment of the Global Cross-Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) Forum on April 21, 2022, the GFA has adopted foundational documents setting out the Forum's governance and leadership, launched the Global CBPR and Global Privacy Recognition for Processor (PRP) Systems, and expanded participation and interest in the Global CBPR Forum.

Building on the work done since the establishment of the Forum, the GFA has identified five strategic goals to guide the Forum's work through April 2026. All Forum activities are supported through voluntary Member and Associate contributions, and the strategic goals are voluntary and non-binding.

Strategic Goals

1. Increase and Formalize Active Multistakeholder Participation in Forum Activities

The [Declaration establishing the Global CBPR Forum](#) specified that Forum activities should include active multistakeholder participation in appropriate activities. To date, stakeholders, including Accountability Agents, companies, data privacy and protection experts, and civil society, have actively participated in all six of the biannual Global CBPR Forum workshops and in consultations on launching the Global CBPR and PRP Systems and updating the Global CBPR System Program Requirements. Stakeholder input ensures the Global CBPR and PRP Systems and the Forum's work aligns with best practices, considers industry priorities, and reflects practical and effective solutions. To that end, the GFA intends to institutionalize stakeholder participation by establishing a mechanism through which the Forum can engage with stakeholders outside of events and ad hoc consultations. The GFA is considering mechanisms used by other multilateral fora in developing such a mechanism. The GFA also intends to encourage new participants in Forum activities, including from industries from across a variety of sectors and companies of all sizes.

2. Increase the Number of Organizations Certified to the Global CBPR and PRP Systems

At the launch of the Global CBPR and Global PRP certifications on June 2, 2025, there will be approximately 100 companies, including over 2000 subsidiaries and affiliates. The GFA intends to consider recommendations for increasing participation by organizations in the Global CBPR and Global PRP Systems, including recommendations to make System information more easily accessible, to provide evidence of the Systems' benefits to promote participation, and for the Global Cooperation Arrangement for Privacy Enforcement (CAPE) to issue guidance on the Global CBPR and Global PRP Systems. The GFA intends to consider recommendations in

consultation with Accountability Agents, certified companies, and other stakeholders as appropriate.

3. Finalize and Implement Updates to the Global CBPR System Program Requirements

Once the GFA endorses updates to the Global CBPR System Program Requirements, the GFA intends to develop a process and timeline to implement the updates in consultation with Accountability Agents, certified organizations and other stakeholders, and to publish such information to enable companies to demonstrate compliance with the updated requirements.

4. Expand Number of Jurisdictions Participating in the Global CBPR Forum

The GFA intends to finalize and issue criteria and procedures for jurisdictions to join the Forum as Members. The GFA also intends to continue to promote Associate status to bring more jurisdictions into Forum discussions, creating a pathway to Membership and expanding uptake of the Global CBPR and Global PRP Systems. The GFA intends to promote participation in the Global CAPE by Privacy Enforcement Authorities (PEA)s, noting that Global CAPE participation is not limited to PEAs of Global CBPR Forum Members or Associates.

The Forum intends to host two multilateral, multistakeholder Global CBPR Forum workshops in fall 2025 and spring 2026, and to explore opportunities to jointly promote the Forum with interested parties. Members intend to promote the Forum independently or jointly with other Members.

5. Solidify Resources to Support the Forum's Operations

With the launch of the Global CBPR and Global PRP Systems, the GFA is commencing discussions to establish a secretariat and explore commitments for resources to support the administration of the Systems and the Forum's activities.