## New gTLD Update Webinar





#### Webinar Information

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Conference ID: 4618033

- + Recorded session will be available at the end of the webinar.
- + Q&A session at the end.
  - Phone questions given priority.
  - Online questions answered as time permits.

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### Agenda





- + Initial Evaluation
- Objections & Dispute Resolution
- + GAC Advice
- + Contracting
- + Pre-Delegation Testing
- + String Contention Resolution
- Rights Protection Mechanisms
- Operational Support Mechanisms
- Program Timeline
- + Questions



#### **Initial Evaluation Results**

# Initial Evaluation Results Release - Update As of 09 May 2013

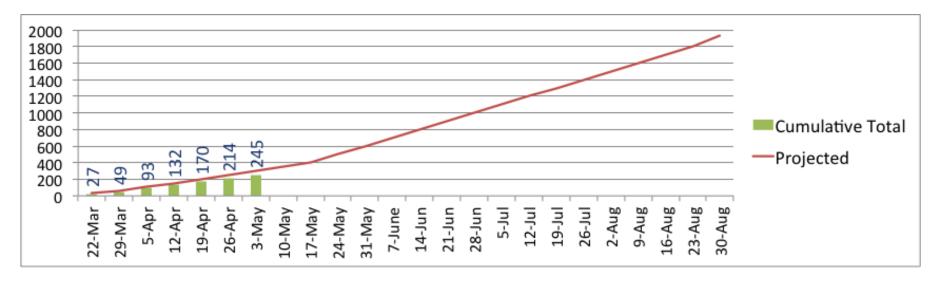
- + Results published for priorities 1-300 have been published
  - 244 passed
  - 1 eligible for Extended Evaluation
  - 47 held pending CQ/Change Request or Outreach
  - 8 withdrawn
- + Three possible outcomes for Initial Evaluation
  - Pass
  - Eligible for Extended Evaluation
  - Ineligible for Further Review

View results from the Current Application Status page:

https://gtldresult.icann.org/application-result/applicationstatus



#### IE Results Release Schedule



- + IE results for approximately 50 applications are being released each week
- + Upcoming planned release schedule:
  - 10 May 2013: Priorities 301-350
  - 17 May 2013: Priorities 351-400
  - 24 May 2013: Priorities 401-500
  - 31 May 2013: Priorities 501-600



#### **Initial Evaluation Panel Stats**

	Pre-CQ Eval	Pending CQ Response	Post CQ Eval	Prelim Panel Results	IE Results Published
Background Screening	15	12	-	1871	245
String Similarity	-	-	-	-	1930
DNS Stability	-	-	-	1628	245
Geographic Names	2	11	1	1614	245
Financial	319	422	316	571	245
Technical & Operational	326	389	239	674	245
Registry Services	9	411	277	931	245

57 Application Withdrawals to Date → 1873 Active Applications



### Clarifying Questions (CQs)



- + The last set of Financial, Technical, and Registry Services CQs will be released on 22 May 2013.
- + Geographic CQs should be responded to by 30 August 2013. If no response is received, or if the response is still insufficient, the Applicant will receive a second notification with 90 days to respond.
- Background Screening CQs should be responded to as soon as possible or IE results will be delayed.



### Objections & Dispute Resolution

Admissible Filing
Notification from DRSP
(Sent week of 15 April)

Applicant Responses (30 days) Expert Panel Selection (30 days)

Advance Fee Estimates (10 days)

Advance Fee Payments (10 days)

Expert
Determination
(45 days)

#### + Accomplishments

- Dispute Announcement was published on 12 April 2013
- All admissible objection filing notifications were sent by the DRSPs
- On-going Activities
  - DRSPs are managing applicant responses and selection of expert panels
  - Application responses should be collected the week of 15 May 2013;
     exceptions to include consolidation requests or curing procedures
- + There are several circumstances that may alter process timing:
  - Applicant and objector interaction (e.g., responses, payments)
  - Complexity of objection filings (e.g., consolidation)
  - Additional/Supplementary activities (i.e., hearings, additional written submissions, negotiation, mediation)

Domains

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Dispute resolution process details can be found in Module 3 of the AGB

#### **GAC** Advice

- + GAC Beijing Communique / GAC Advice for applied-for strings:
  - Released on 11 April 2013
  - www.icann.org/en/news/correspondence/gac-to-board-18apr13-en.pdf
- Public comment sought by NGBC regarding GAC Safeguard Advice
  - Opened 23 April 2013, Closes 4 June 2013
  - <a href="http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-23apr13-en.htm">http://www.icann.org/en/news/announcements/announcement-23apr13-en.htm</a>
- Applicants may respond individually to GAC Advice
  - Opened on 18 April, Closes 23:59:59 UTC on 10 May 2013
  - <a href="http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/announcements-and-media/announcement-18apr13-en">http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/announcements-and-media/announcement-18apr13-en</a>



### Contracting / Registry Agreement



- Key Dates for Registry Agreement
  - Public Comment Open Date: 29 April 2013
  - Public Comment Close Date: 23:59 UTC, 20 May 2013
  - Public Comment Reply Open Date: 21 May 2013
  - Public Comment Close Date: 23:59 UTC, 11 June 2013
- + Contracting / Registry Agreement Microsite Launched
  - http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/applicants/agb/baseagreement-contracting
- Contracting Webinar Session
  - Target Session: Early June
  - Webinar Details: TBD
  - Objective is to inform applicants on material information needed for an executable Registry Agreement (e.g., Letter of Credit requirement, Signatory Information)



### **Pre-Delegation Testing**

- Beta Testing Process
  - Opportunity for all RSPs to prepare for successful PDT prior to contracting
  - Testing will be interactive with the Service Provider
  - Test results will be reported to participants
  - 10 testing slots available per week
- + Beta Testing Progress
  - Beta Testing underway for Pilot Participants
  - Invitations sent to additional 35 Applicants on 6 May
  - Lowest priority number for each Registry Service Provider
  - Data Entry to begin on 10 May with Testing on 20 May for first group
- PDT Resources Updated 2 May 2013
  - http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/applicants/pdt#resources
- PDT DNS Anycast Testing
  - We have heard concerns from the community & are exploring alternatives

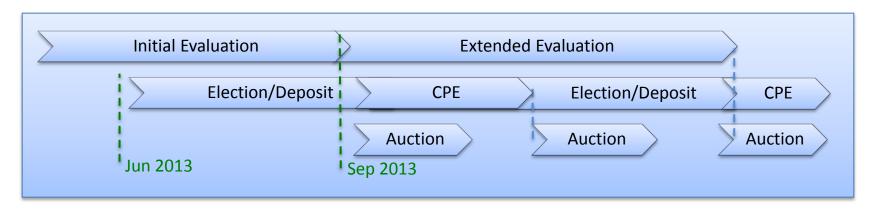


### String Contention Resolution

- Contention Proceedings planned to begin September 2013
- + CPE Elections will be accepted beginning early June via the Customer Portal
  - Instructions will be provided to applicants prior to start
  - Additional CPE may be performed after EE, as necessary

#### + Auctions

- Non-community contention sets can begin auction concurrent with CPE
- Others will begin at the conclusion of CPE and EE, as necessary





### Rights Protection Mechanisms

Trademark Clearinghouse
Uniform Rapid Suspension
Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution



### Trademark Clearinghouse



# TMCH Verification Services Launched 26 March 2013

Rights holders can submit trademark data at: <a href="http://trademark-clearinghouse.com">http://trademark-clearinghouse.com</a>

- + Activity to date:
  - 101 agents, 505 trademark holders as registered users
  - Approx. 1600 records in the system
    - 832 in process
    - 481 verified
    - 287 incorrect
  - Includes marks in ASCII, Chinese,
     Japanese, and Cyrillic scripts



### Trademark Clearinghouse



#### **Ongoing Activities**

http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/about/trademarkclearinghouse

- + Sunrise & Claims Implementation
  - July 2013 (Sunrise capability operational)
  - August 2013 (Claims capability operational)
- Rights Protection Mechanism (RPM)
   Requirements Development
  - Review of input to inform development of new version
- + Strawman Model Implementation
  - Addition of 50 domain labels found to have been previously abused to an existing verified TMCH records



### Uniform Rapid Suspension (URS)

- + 2 Providers Announced
  - National Arbitration Forum (NAF)
  - Asian Domain Name Dispute Resolution Centre (ADNDRC)
  - Additional providers may be appointed
- + Procedures & Rules
  - URS Procedures and Rules established and published on ICANN website
  - NAF Supplemental Rules for URS posted on NAF website
  - ADNDRC Supplemental Rules for URS expected in June
- URS is planned to be operational by end June
- Demo of the URS planned for the ICANN 47 in Durban
- More information
   <a href="http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/applicants/urs">http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/applicants/urs</a>



### Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedures

- Requests for Proposals (RFPs) issued on 30 April 2013 for providers of Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedures (PDDRP):
  - Trademark Dispute Resolution Procedure
  - Registry Restrictions Dispute Resolution Procedure
- + Deadline for responses is 31 May 2013 for both RFPs, with anticipated announcement of selected providers by end June
- + PICDRP relating to Public Interest Commitments a public comment period has just concluded
- + Discussions w/ community to finalize
- + For status updates, see <a href="http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/pddrp">http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/program-status/pddrp</a>



### **Operational Support Mechanisms**

EBERO SLA Monitoring



#### **EBERO**

- + Emergency Back-End Registry Operators (EBERO) selected and announced during ICANN 46 Meeting in Beijing
  - Neustar
  - Nominet
  - CNNIC
- + EBERO Providers process design workshop 23-25 April 2013

+ EBERO go-live August 2013

+ On-going information:

http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/ebero



### **SLA Monitoring**

- Monitoring platform operated by ICANN to verify in realtime SLR compliance with specification 10 of the Registry Agreement
- Platform being developed by Zabbix SIA
- + Phase 1 August 2013
  - Full DNS testing operational (with the exception of DNS update time because of dependency with EPP testing).
  - WHOIS and EPP tested using standard TCP port test.
- + Phase 2 October 2013
  - Full EPP testing operational.
  - Full WHOIS testing operational.
  - Full correlational testing operational (e.g. DN updated via EPP was propagated to DNS and WHOIS in less than X minutes)



### **New gTLD Program Timeline** CQs **IE Results Published** String Contention Resolution **Extended Eval** Board Expected to Address GAC Advice Registry Agreement Published for Public Comment Registry Agreement Approval Expected Contracting Pre-Delegation Beta Testing **Pre-Delegation Testing** TMCH Sunrise/Claims System Operational **URS** Operational **EBERO Operational**

July 2013

Aug 2013



Nov 2013

Oct 2013

Sep 2013

Apr 2013

May 2013

June 2013

# Thank You & Questions?

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