Training session 4: Names, numbers and standards: technical and policy aspects



daniel.fink@icann.org

ITU Strengthening capacities in international Internet governance August 2017

#### ICANN

- What is ICANN
- Mission, Values, and Role
- Mandate

#### **State of Domains**

- gTLD Marketplace Health Index
- LAC DNS Marketplace Study

#### **Domain Industry**

 Why and how it should be strengthened in the Americas



## What is ICANN?



## **Overview**

# Coordinating with our partners, we help make the Internet work.





## **Our Technical Partners**

# Coordinating with our technical partners, we help make the Internet work.



## **Our Other Partners**



ICANN

## **ICANN Ecosystem**





#### no We Are

based, open global s, including: Internet engineers, perts, civil society, s, end users and

There are three supporting organizations in the ICANN community, representing: IP addresses, generic top-level domains (gTLDs), and country code top-level domains (ccTLDs). They develop policy recommendations in their respective areas. There are four advisory committees that give advice and recommendations. These are comprised of representatives of governments and international treaty organizations; representatives of root server operators; Internet security experts and Internet end users.



## e ICANN Community



#### e ICANN Board



## e ICANN Organization



## w Does the Community Develop Policy?



## me of What ICANN Organization Does



The ICANN organization helps manage the root zone through the IANA functions, which involves assigning the operators of top-level domains, such as .bank and .com, and maintaining the technical and administrative details.

The ICANN organization, in

The ICANN organization

ccTLD operators.

delegates top-level domains

identified with a country code.

Management is done by national

lorganization

os promotes

etplace.

ne domain name

p-level domains.

and choice in the

coordination with the Internet Engineering Task Force, manages protocol parameters by maintaining many of the codes and numbers used in Internet protocols.

IANA functions

By serving as the central

are supplied - preventing

repetition and conflicts.

repository for IP addresses,

the ICANN organization helps

coordinate how IP addresses

## nat Does ICANN Mean for the End User?



#### w Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses are Distributed



# Aission, Values, and Role

## ANN's Mission

The mission of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) is to ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems





Collaborates with other bodies as appropriate to provide registries needed for the functioning of the Internet as specified by Internet protocol standards development organizations

## ANN's Mission

In performing its Mission, ICANN will act in a manner that complies with and reflects ICANN's Commitments and respects ICANN's Core Values

#### These Commitments and Core Values include:





www.icann.org

## ique Names and Numbers

Anything connected to the Internet – including omputers, mobile phones and other devices has a unique number called its IP address. P stands for Internet Protocol.





This address is like a postal address. It allows messages, videos and other packets of data to be sent from anywhere on the Internet to the device that has been uniquely identified by its IP address.

P addresses can be difficult to remember, so istead of numbers, the Internet's domain name ystem uses letters, numbers and hyphens, to orm a name that is easier to remember.



# TLD Marketplace Health

## LD Marketplace Health Index



Project launched in 2015



Tracks progress on ICANN objective 2.3:

"Support the evolution of the domain name marketplace be robust, stable and trusted."





Community Advisory Panel and ICANN to design metrics. 28 members – 2 from LAC region (Brazil)



Metrics data could be used to track industry trends, inform future policy work and outreach, measure impacts of policy or contractual changes

#### LD Marketplace Health Index: Sample Metrics



#### LD Marketplace Health Index: Sample Metrics

ercentage of Distinct ICANN-Accredited gTLD Registrars, by ICANN Region



#### LD Marketplace Health Index: Sample Metrics

ercentage of Distinct ICANN-Accredited gTLD Registry, by ICANN Region



## 12 Round Delegated gTLDs by ICANN Region



# AC DNS Marketplace Study

## C DNS Marketplace Study

- ommissioned in January 2016
- collection of facts on the state of the main name industry in the LAC region.
- Regional web content,
- Growth trends,
- Registrar and reseller markets, documentation of user experience,
- Uptake of domains
- Market in premium domains
- Much more...



#### **C DNS Marketplace Study**

Number of domains by country (ccTLD and gTLDs)



#### **C DNS Marketplace Study**



Distribution of domain name registrations by country (ccTLDs and gTLDs)

■ ccTLD ■.com ■.net ■.xyz ■.org ■.info ■.biz ■Other gTLDs

Figure 59 - Distribution of domain names by country (ccTLDs and gTLDs)

# Why and how it should be strengthened

#### ny and how it should be strengthened

#### **Demand gap**

Lack of relevance of the uses and content, absence of skills to take more effective use of the online environment.

# 4

#### **Promoting awareness**

There should be a dedicated website aimed at informing the end-user and the intermediaries with a simpler format, in an accessible tone, and in the languages appropriate to the

#### Value of the web and DNS

2

Competing technologies. Providing educational and informational material.

#### **Youth Engagement**

Over 30% of all users are aged 24 or below and over 55% of all users are aged 34 or below.

#### **Sales channel**



Lack of ICANN accredited Ra. Need to have agreements with resellers, some sort of presence in the region, and be online with facilities in local languages

## 6

#### **General Biz Engagement**

Only 40% of the businesses in the region have their own website and that a large proportion of SMEs still do not use email to communicate with their clients and suppliers.

#### ny and how it should be strengthened

#### **Bundling/add-ons**

the one-stop-shop product offering for a complete website solution is a practical way to promote the use of a domain name.

#### Value of the web and DNS



Competing technologies. Providing educational and informational material.

#### ccTLD Marketing



One of the most crucial recommendations for ccTLDs, large, medium and small – with or without a registrar channel – is the development of marketing

## Set Involved and Informed

#### t Involved and Informed



### gage at ICANN



## gage at ICANN



#### **Issues discussed at ICANN impact your business**

ICANN's work ranges relates to a broad range of Internet challenges, including policies on generic names that affect your network configuration and your brand or business practices online. Let your voice be heard on the issues that affect your business.

#### **ICANN** is open to everyone

**)** 

You can tailor your participation to your needs. Remote participation is available in several languages at all ICANN's public meetings. Issues open for public comment are listed on our website for all stakeholders to provide input.



#### Take advantage of our multistakeholder model

Not only is ICANN open to everyone, everyone participates on equal footing. This makes it a unique place to interact with and learn from representatives from different sectors such as academia and government. Fellowship/NextGen/Newconer Programs

## ograms Available

#### S Fellowship

Global Capacity Building Program to support ICANN's Multistakeholder community; online application process Bx year around an ICANN Meeting (1 Mtg for Alumni only)

#### 📢 NextGen

Regionally based Program to create awareness and promote future discussions within universities and other regional forums; online application process 3x a year around an ICANN Meeting



#### Newcomer

Those just entering the ICANN community can self-educate using the Newcomer webpage or participate in person or remotely at the ICANN Meeting Newcomer Sunday

Watch Fellowship and NextGen video: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=nrV\_ZkDEfIQ



Watch Newcomer video: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=da1RQt9-e-g





#### Visit us at icann.org





youtube.com/icannnews

flickr.com/icann 

linkedin/company/icann

slideshare/icannpresentations



in

in

You Tube

soundcloud/icann