

APAC Webinar: Becoming a new gTLD registry, what's next? 12 June 2014 Additional Questions & Answers

The APAC Hub received questions during the above webinar that were unanswered due to time constraints. We've provided responses to these additional questions below. Questions are grouped and ordered alphabetically by subject.

Name Collision

Q: Will Name Collision affect the timeline in any way?

A: No, the current name collision mitigation plan allows delegation of most TLDs by using the Alternate Path to Delegation.

Q: For registries that have elected "Alternate Path to Delegation", if they are ready for controlled interruption, and after the 90-day controlled period, would the controlled interruption constraints be eliminated or would ICANN access the results of controlled period and then decide whether the registry could eliminate the controlled interruption constraints?

A: The draft Framework proposes that after undergoing controlled interruption, the names in the SLD block list can be freely activated, subject to other registry agreement provisions and registry policies.

Pre-Delegation Testing

Q (Rephrased): Is the Pre-Delegation Testing provider ISO27000 compliant?

A: Yes, the Pre-Delegation Testing provider, <u>Stiftelsen för Internetinfrastruktur (.SE)</u>, is ISO2700 Certified. A third party security audit has been preformed on the PDT System.

Onboarding

Q: How many new Asia Pacific registries have completed the technical aspects of onboarding? How has connectivity proven in these tests?

A: As of the date of this response, approximately 50% of eligible new gTLD registries in Asia Pacific have completed technical onboarding.



Q: Can you please identify exactly which hostnames used in the application must exist at the time of transition? What happens if these are not the same at the time of transition due to a change in Registry Services Provider?

A: There is not check imposed on hostnames against the application to be used in predelegation testing.

Registry Agreement Specification 13

Q: Currently ICANN has scheduled 30 days of Public Comment for applicants who submitted an application for Specification 13. Currently, applications that applied 30 days ago are still open for Public Comment. Why is this?

A: In the next few weeks, ICANN will start removing the "Submit Comment" link next to those Specification 13 applications that have completed the 30-day comment window. Note that because the mechanism to submit comments is an email address, comments may continue to be submitted on Specification 13 applications that have closed the comment window. However, as per the defined process, ICANN will only take into consideration comments submitted within the 30-day window.

Q: Also, in regards to the Specification 13, after the Public Comment closes, how long does it take for ICANN to process the application? Please note that this timing affects how and when Brand TLDs will delegate/begin TM Claims and General Availability.

A: ICANN expects that in most cases, it would take approximately 3 weeks to notify the applicant of the Specification 13 determination once the comment window closes.