

# Policy Channel 1: Public Comments

BC Comments filed since Toronto meeting (Oct-2012)

- DNS Security & Stability Analysis Working Group report
- Proposed matching rules for TM Clearinghouse
- Consolidated Meetings proposal
- Strawman solutions proposal
- Policy vs Implementation
- “Closed Generic” TLDs
- New Registry Agreement



# Policy Channel 1: Public Comments

## ACDR proposal as UDRP Provider

ACDR: Arab Center for Domain Name Dispute Resolution

UDRP: Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy

Voting open until 12-April on two alternate BC positions:

1. Maintain the present BC position that no new providers should be approved until ICANN has standards for UDRP administration.
2. Qualified endorsement of ACDR's proposal. ICANN must develop standards for UDRP administration, through a staff-driven process with community input.

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## Proposed new RAA (comments close 19-Apr)

- Law enforcement concerns
  - Pattern or practice” as grounds for termination
- Amendment process
- Temporary rules for Privacy / Proxy Service Providers
- Registrant Rights & Responsibilities
- Validate info for Registrant and for Account Holder
- Post for public comment when RAA is agreed

# Policy Channel 2: GNSO Council

Councilors John Berard and Zahid Jamil

## Motions

- Start PDP on translation & transliteration of registrant info
  - Reconsideration of Strawman decision
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## Update & Discussion

- Let registrars use current RAA for new gTLDs, pending GNSO consensus for new RAA
- Prelim Issue Report on uniformity of reporting
- Policy vs Implementation
- Template to request an Issues Report

# Policy Channel 3: BC Statements

- Policy vs Implementation (Panel on Wed morning)
- New Registry Agreement (requires the new RAA)
- Confirm/defend Strawman implementation items
- Question SSR risks to registrants and users
- Question the decision on Singular-plural contention
- Ask for clarification on Registry Code of Conduct restrictions on registering their own names.

# Singular/Plural gTLDs

## Concerns

1. Consumer confusion. User hears a TLD in conversation or in the media, then can't remember if it was singular or plural.
2. Defensive registrations in 24 additional TLDs
3. Terrible Precedent: applicants in future rounds could propose plurals of established TLDs (.nets, .books, .apps )
4. Reflects poorly on the gTLD expansion

## Solutions?

1. ICDR decision would apply to all
2. Public comment on singular/plural sets

ACCOUNTANT	ACCOUNTANTS	
AUTO	AUTOS	
CAR	CARS	*
CAREER	CAREERS	
COUPON	COUPONS	
CRUISE	CRUISES	
DEAL	DEALS	
FAN	FANS	
GAME	GAMES	*
GIFT	GIFTS	
HOME	HOMES	*
HOTEL	HOTELS	
HOTEL	HOTELES	
KID	KIDS	*
LOAN	LOANS	
MARKET	MARKETS	
NEW	NEWS	
PET	PETS	*
PHOTO	PHOTOS	
REVIEW	REVIEWS	
SPORT	SPORTS	
TOUR	TOURS	*
WEB	WEBS	*
WORK	WORKS	



# Code of Conduct restriction and exemption

1. In connection with the operation of the registry for the TLD, **Registry Operator will not**, and will not allow any parent, subsidiary, Affiliate, subcontractor or other related entity, to the extent such party is engaged in the provision of Registry Services with respect to the TLD to:

b. **register domain names in its own right, except for names** registered through an ICANN accredited **registrar that are reasonably necessary for the management, operations and purpose of the TLD**

6. Registry Operator **may request an exemption** to this Code of Conduct, and such exemption may be granted by ICANN in ICANN's reasonable discretion, if Registry Operator demonstrates to ICANN's reasonable satisfaction that

- (i) all domain name registrations in the TLD are registered to, and maintained by, Operator for its own exclusive use,
- (ii) Operator does not sell, distribute or transfer control or use of any registrations in the TLD to any third party that is not an Affiliate of Operator, and
- (iii) application of this Code of Conduct to the TLD **is not necessary to protect the public interest.**



Business Constituency