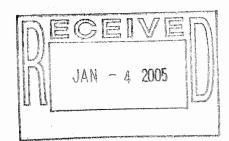


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SpaceNet supports DENIC's bid for .NET

Dear Sir.

to my understanding ICANN will soon be accepting proposals from various registries to take over operation of the .net TLD. As a registrar, I, like many others, want to line out that the stability and reliability of the domain name system is crucial, and the evaluation of bids and the subsequent transition to another registry should be handled with great care.

For over 10 years we have been working now with DENIC, the registry operator for the more than 8 million, de domains in Germany, and we're entirely pleased with them. DENIC has proven their operational and technical capabilities time and time again. They've maintained the highest levels of performance and consistently delivered 100% uptime.

I was glad when I heared that DENIC was planning to submit a bid to run .net. The successful transition of .net to another registry is very important for my business, and I believe DENIC would be an excellent choice as the next .net registry operator. Over the years, DENIC has set a high standard for dependable, stable and secure service, and I am confident they would bring the operational excellence they have exhibited managing .de to the future management of .net.

DENIC always was and will be a trusted and reliable partner of ours, and I fully support them in their quest to become the next .net registry operator.

Sincerely

Alexander Grundner-Culemann, Director of the Supervisory Board i.V. Martin Hasenbein

Chief of the Department for Domain Affairs