IDN in Korea

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Overview of .KR

- 1986: Registration in the 3rd-level domain name space
  - 13 Organizational sub-domains (co.kr, ac.kr, re.kr, or.kr, ne.kr...)
  - 16 Geographical sub-domains (seoul.kr, busan.kr, jeju.kr ...)
  - One domain name per one organization (~JUN/1999)
  - Local presence required

  - Allow second-level domain registration only for those including Korean-character (Since 19/AUG/2003)
  - Not allowed second-level domain registration for ASCII domains

- Total number of registered domain names is about 613,000 as of 16/JUL/2004
Rules on Hangeul.KR

- In general
  - Alpha-numeric characters, hyphen, and Hangeul
  - Include at least one Hangeul character (2,350)
  - Length of Hangeul domain name: 2~17

- Restricted words (829 words)
  - 769 (To reserve name space, single characters, and mostly category names)
  - 60 (abusive words)
Sunrise Policy

Overview of Sunrise

1. Reserved Words
   - 19/AUG/2003~18/AUG/2004 (1 year)

2. Trade Marks & Company names
   - 19/AUG/2003~29/SEP/2003 (6 weeks)

3. Reviewed Application & Took a lottery
   - 7/OCT/2003~20/OCT/2003 (2 weeks)

4. Per 1 certification
   - 4/NOV/2003~

5. FCFS
   - 4/NOV/2003~
(1st Stage) Reserved Words

Registration for reserved words
- 19/ AUG/2003 ~ 18/AUG/2004 (1 year)
- Organizations included in a reserved word list

Reserved words for the Following Organizations (29,716)
- Administrative Agencies
- Legislative Agencies
- Machinery of Law
- Educational Organizations
- Governmental Projects. Etc.
Registration of registered trade marks and company names
- 19/AUG/2003 ~ 29/SEP/2003 (6 weeks)

Same or similar to registered trade mark & company name allowed for Hangeul domain name
- Up to 3 domain names for one trade mark, and 2 domain names for one company name

Independent trade mark expert group determines validity of trade mark for Hangeul domain name
- If there is more than 1 valid application for 1 domain name, the registrant is determined by draw
(2\textsuperscript{nd} stage)

1 Domain per Certification

- Registration of 1 domain per 1 certification
  - 7/OCT/2003 ~ 20/OCT/2003 (2 weeks)

- One Hangeul domain name per certification
  - Certificate of residence or business registration certification

- In case of competition, registrants were determined by draw
### Result of Sunrise Period

19/AUG/2003 ~ 4/NOV/2003

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<th>Application</th>
<th>Winning DN</th>
<th>Registered</th>
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<td>Reserved Words</td>
<td>(29,720)</td>
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<td>4,747</td>
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<td>Trade Marks &amp; Company name</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>1 Domain per Certification</td>
<td>47,124</td>
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<td>FCFS (4/NOV/2003)</td>
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<td>17,110</td>
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<td>Total # of registered Hangeul.KR</td>
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Service Environment

- Plug-in
  - Distributed a plug-in program to convert Hangeul domains to punycode in order to accommodate name server query

- IDN management tool
  - Distribute code converter (Web, Windows, Unix/Linux)

- KR name server
  - Run zone file in punycode
Current Status

- Number of Hangeul.KR

![Graph showing the number of Hangeul.KR from Aug-2003 to Jul-2004]

79,581
## Current Status II

- **Name server setting and website connection**

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<th>Total # of Hangeul.KR</th>
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<td>In operation</td>
<td>27,645 (34.74%)</td>
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<td>Not in operation</td>
<td>51,936 (65.26%)</td>
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<td>Set name server</td>
<td>29,396 (36.94%)</td>
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<td>Do not set name server</td>
<td>50,185 (63.06%)</td>
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- Survey target: Hangeul domain names registered as of JUL. 1, 2004
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