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Dear Registrars and Registry Operators,

ICANN has now published the gTLD Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) Profile, which is available here: [https://icann.org/gtld-rdap-profile [icann.org]]. Pursuant to Appendix A (Section 1.1) of the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data [https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/gtld-registration-data-specs-en [icann.org]] and other contractual provisions relating to Registration Data Directory Services, all gTLD registries and registrars are required to implement RDAP no later than 26 August 2019. Registries and registrars are recommended to implement RDAP according to the February-2019 version of the gTLD-RDAP Profile.

The ICANN Board directed the creation of a gTLD-RDAP Profile(s) as a prerequisite to launching the RDAP service across the gTLD space when it adopted the Temporary Specification for gTLD Registration Data on 17 May 2018.

RDAP enables access to current registration data and was created as an eventual replacement for the WHOIS protocol. It delivers registration data like WHOIS, but its implementation will change and standardize data access and query response formats. ICANN organization worked with a discussion group of gTLD registries and registrars to draft, seek, and take into account public comments prior to publication of this gTLD-RDAP Profile.

Questions about this gTLD-RDAP Profile may be directed to globalsupport@icann.org.

Learn more: ICANN RDAP Overview page: https://www.icann.org/rdap [icann.org]

Best Regards,

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