ICANN Registry Request Service
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Proposed Service

Name of Proposed Service:

Second level IDN support for .radio

Technical description of Proposed Service:

The EBU would like to provide registration of domain names for .radio in the following scripts and languages:

Arabic script

Cyrillic script

Hebrew language

Greek language

Chinese language

Japanese language

Korean language

These would be added to the latin script already in use.

These scripts and languages have been previously provided by CORE to ICANN in previous TLDs, and its systems have been tested for them.

Consultation

Please describe with specificity your consultations with the community, experts and or others. What were the quantity, nature and content of the consultations?:
The EBU consulted with CORE, the .radio back-end provider.

a. If the registry is a sponsored TLD, what were the nature and content of these consultations with the sponsored TLD community?:

N/A

b. Were consultations with gTLD registrars or the registrar constituency appropriate? Which registrars were consulted? What were the nature and content of the consultation?:

N/A

c. Were consultations with other constituency groups appropriate? Which groups were consulted? What were the nature and content of these consultations?:

N/A

d. Were consultations with end users appropriate? Which groups were consulted? What were the nature and content of these consultations?:

N/A

e. Who would endorse the introduction of this service? What were the nature and content of these consultations?:

The EBU believes all potential .radio registrants and users would support the ability to register and use domain names in their respective languages and scripts.

f. Who would object the introduction of this service? What were(or would be) the nature and content of these consultations?:

The EBU sees no reason why any constituency or stakeholder group would object to this request.
Timeline

Please describe the timeline for implementation of the proposed new registry service:

As soon as this request is approved.

Business Description

Describe how the Proposed Service will be offered:

IDNs will be offered for registration through accredited registrars.

Describe quality assurance plan or testing of Proposed Service:

The IDN tables for these languages and scripts are currently in use for other TLDs using CORE’s back-end platform.

Please list any relevant RFCs or White Papers on the proposed service and explain how those papers are relevant:

None.

Contractual Provisions

List the relevant contractual provisions impacted by the Proposed Service:

Exhibit A, Section 4.3. will require amendment to reflect the new IDN languages.

What effect, if any, will the Proposed Service have on the reporting of data to ICANN:

None

What effect, if any, will the Proposed Service have on the Whois?: 
Contract Amendments

Please describe or provide the necessary contractual amendments for the proposed service:

The following content should be added to Section 4.3 of Exhibit A:

4.3.2 Arabic script
4.3.3 Cyrillic script
4.3.4 Hebrew language
4.3.5 Greek language
4.3.6 Chinese language
4.3.7 Japanese language
4.3.8 Korean language

Benefits of Service

Describe the benefits of the Proposed Service:

The EBU believes addition of these languages and scripts is beneficial to the .radio community as a whole, as this would allow wider and more meaningful usage of .radio domain names in the regions where these languages and scripts are used.

Competition

Do you believe your proposed new Registry Service would have any positive or negative effects on competition? If so, please explain:

Competition in the global domain name registration marketplace would be enhanced.
How would you define the markets in which your proposed Registry Service would compete?:

*The EBU would be allowed to compete in the markets where these scripts and languages are used.*

What companies/entities provide services or products that are similar in substance or effect to your proposed Registry Service?:

*Many Registry operators permit multiple languages and scripts registrations in their TLDs.*

*See [http://www.iana.org/domains/idn-tables](http://www.iana.org/domains/idn-tables)*

In view of your status as a registry operator, would the introduction of your proposed Registry Service potentially impair the ability of other companies/entities that provide similar products or services to compete?:

*No.*

Do you propose to work with a vendor or contractor to provide the proposed Registry Service? If so, what is the name of the vendor/contractor, and describe the nature of the services the vendor/contractor would provide?:

*Yes, this service would be handled by CORE, .radio's back-end provider.*

Have you communicated with any of the entities whose products or services might be affected by the introduction of your proposed Registry Service? If so, please describe the communications?:

*Yes. the EBU has communicated with CORE, its .radio back-end provider.*

Do you have any documents that address the possible effects on competition of your proposed Registry Service? If so, please submit them with your application. (ICANN will keep the documents confidential).:

*No.*
Security and Stability

Does the proposed service alter the storage and input of Registry Data?:

*Storage and input of Registry Data will not be altered.*

Please explain how the proposed service will affect the throughput, response time, consistency or coherence of responses to Internet servers or end systems:

*None*

Have technical concerns been raised about the proposed service, and if so, how do you intend to address those concerns?:

*None*

Other Issues

Are there any Intellectual Property considerations raised by the Proposed Service:

*No*

Does the proposed service contain intellectual property exclusive to your gTLD registry?:

*No*

List Disclaimers provided to potential customers regarding the Proposed Service:

*Any commercially reasonable disclaimers will be finalized and provided before the proposed service is offered to customers.*

Any other relevant information to include with this request: