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Brussels Selected for ICANN International Meeting

Washington, D.C... September 3, 2009... The Belgian capital of Brussels has been chosen to host ICANN's 38th international public meeting in June 2010.

The meeting is scheduled to be held in Europe in accordance with ICANN's practice of rotating its three annual international meetings through different regions of the world.

A number of excellent proposals were considered for the June 2010 meeting, and ICANN's meetings team talked with potential hosts in several cities. The Brussels meeting will be hosted by the European Registry of Internet Domain Names (EURid), which runs the dot-eu registry.

"We're looking forward to our first international public meeting in Belgium," said Nick Tomasso, General Manager of Meetings for ICANN. "We've had an office in the city for a number of years so we're delighted to be able to build on the relationships we have established in Brussels to ensure a successful and productive meeting."

The Brussels meeting is scheduled to begin on Sunday 20 June 2010. It will follow a meeting in Nairobi, Kenya on 7-12 March 2010.

ICANN's next meeting will be held in Seoul, Korea between 25-30 October. More details on the Seoul meeting can be found at <http://sel.icann.org>.

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About ICANN:

To reach another person on the Internet you have to type an address into your computer - a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN coordinates these unique identifiers across the world. Without that coordination we wouldn't have one global Internet. ICANN was formed in 1998. It is a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation with participants from all over the world dedicated to keeping the Internet secure, stable and interoperable. It promotes competition and develops policy on the Internet's unique identifiers. ICANN doesn't control content on the Internet. It cannot stop spam and it doesn't deal with access to the Internet. But through its coordination role of the Internet's naming system, it does have an important impact on the expansion and evolution of the Internet. **For more information please visit:** www.icann.org.