

Statement of Interests and Affirmation regarding Conflicts of Interest Policy

By David Taylor for participation in the ICANN Competition, Consumer Trust and Consumer Choice Review Team (CCT-RT)

1. Current vocation, employer and position:

I am a partner in the Intellectual Property, Media and Technology group of the international law firm Hogan Lovells based in Paris France. The firm comprises 2500 lawyers worldwide and I head up the firm's Domain Name Practice called Anchovy®. I am a qualified lawyer in both England and France with a background in engineering and a PhD in Physics.

2. Type of work performed in 1 above and declaration of relationships with entities holding a Financial (or declarable) Interest in ICANN:

I specialize in advising clients in intellectual property and technology issues because I find them interesting and in particular the protection of brands online and domain names. I formed our specialized stand alone domain name practice, called Anchovy®, in the late 1990s, for brand owners worldwide offering a one stop shop for all domain name related matters including strategy, portfolio management and enforcement across the globe. The Hogan Lovells domain name practice is an integral part of the firm's full brand protection service. From time to time Hogan Lovells has represented firm clients in intellectual property matters adverse to registrars or registries and it is likely to do so periodically in the future. We may also, from time to time, represent registrars or registries during the course of our business.

I have filed numerous UDRPs since its inception in 1999 and many other complaints under specific ccTLD dispute resolution policies. I have also acted for numerous respondents in such matters. I also act as an independent domain name panelist with WIPO (for the UDRP) the Czech Arbitration Court (for .EU and the UDRP), Nominet (for .UK) and Malaysia (.MY).

Our firm is an accredited domain name registrar with ICANN as well as for a number of ccTLDs.

With regard to new gTLDs I have advised numerous clients of the firm generally on developments, risks and opportunities some of whom applied for one of more new gTLDs and myself and my team worked on their applications.

I am an individual member of the IPC and member of various other Intellectual Property organisations; INTA, Marques, ECTA and the Society of Computers and Law.

3. Identify any financial ownership or senior management/leadership interest in registries, registrars or other firms that are interested parties in ICANN policy or any entity with which ICANN has a transaction, contract, or other arrangement:

I have no financial or any relevant interests in ICANN or the GNSO.

4. Were you, or a company you work for:

- An applicant for a new gTLD?

Neither I or Hogan Lovells applied for a new gTLD.

• **Providing advice to any new gTLD applicants?**

Yes, we did advise a number of our clients on their applications including filing those applications for them in the TAS.

• **Otherwise involved in an application submitted for the New gTLD Program, such as providing service in support of an applicant or having a financial interest in an applicant?**

Neither I or Hogan Lovells have a financial interest in any application. As regards support this was only in the confines of preparing applications, or filing or defending objections to those applications as outside legal counsel.

If your answer is yes to any of the above, please identify the interest you have in the application submitted for the New gTLD Program.

Outside legal counsel to applicants or objectors.

5. Identify any type of commercial interest in ICANN policy development outcomes. Do you represent other parties in any PDP or other ICANN related processes?

None.

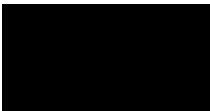
6. Geographic Region associated with the domicile of volunteer (Africa, North America, Latin America/Caribbean, Asia/Australia/Pacific and Europe):

Europe

7. Stakeholder Group(s) AC's or SO's in which I volunteer or currently participate within ICANN:

ICANN GNSO

Except as described above, I have no (i) ownership or investment interest in any entity with which ICANN has an existing or proposed transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement; (ii) a compensation arrangement with any entity or individual with which ICANN has a transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement; and (iii) a potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which ICANN is negotiating a transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement.



SIGNATURE:

13 November 2015

DATE: