ICANN Preliminary Determination
Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .BNL Top-Level Domain

On 20 February 2019, Banca Nazionale del Lavoro notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .BNL Registry Agreement entered into on 24 July 2014. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement, ICANN org consulted with Banca Nazionale del Lavoro to assess whether to transition operation of the .BNL top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

Subject to an ongoing evaluation, ICANN org has made a preliminary determination that operation of the .BNL TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator. ICANN org’s review and determinations regarding transition to a successor registry are subject to Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement.

ICANN org’s preliminary determination to not transition the TLD to a successor Registry Operator is based on ICANN org’s assessment that transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest. Banca Nazionale del Lavoro attested to and ICANN org confirmed the following:

- All domain name registrations in the TLD are registered to, and maintained by, Registry Operator or its Affiliates for their exclusive use, and
- Registry Operator does not sell, distribute or transfer control or use of any registrations in the TLD to any third party that is not an Affiliate of Registry Operator.

Before releasing its final determination, ICANN org will consider input provided by interested parties via email at ra-termination-comments@icann.org. The deadline to submit input is 12 May 2019 – 23:59 UTC.