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Cc:	Guy F. de Teramond
Subject:	Re: Request for Information on Internationalised Country Code Domains

Dear Sir/Madame,

We confirm receipt this email.

The language of Costa Rica is represented in the Latin script.
Therefore, according to information received, we do not participate in the questionnaire on fast-track of IDN ccTLD.

Please let us know if we can help in other topics.

Sincerely,

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>> *To: *gdt@ns.cr <mailto:gdt@ns.cr>
>> *Subject: **Request for Information on Internationalised Country Code
>> Domains*
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>> Dear colleague,
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>> One of the most significant innovations in the Internet since its
>> inception will be the introduction of Internationalised Domain Names
>> (IDNs) at the top level of the domain name system. Until now, top
>> level domains (TLD) such as .com, .jp and .uk have, for technical
>> reasons, been presented only in the basic Latin alphabet (or script).
>> This is now changing and over the next year ICANN will introduce the
>> capacity to have TLDs in other character sets, such as Arabic and
>> Chinese (to list just two examples). IDNs offer many potential new
>> opportunities and benefits for Internet users of all languages around
>> the world by allowing them to establish and use domains in their
>> native languages and alphabets.
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>> In addition to the technical challenges associated with introducing
>> IDNs at the top level, ICANN's policy making bodies have been
>> considering a number of interesting and challenging policy issues,
>> particularly with regard to IDN country-code top level domains
>> (hereafter referred to as an IDN ccTLD). ICANN's policies are
>> developed through bottom-up consensus based processes and in this
>> instance the policy issues will be addressed by the country code
>> Names Supporting Organisation (ccNSO) in accordance with Annex B:
>> ccNSO Policy-Development Process (ccPDP) http://www.icann.org/en/general/bylaws.htm#AnnexB of the
ICANN bylaws.
>> Some of the key policy questions being as part of the ccPDP include
>> who is eligible to apply for an IDN ccTLD, how many IDN ccTLDs can a

>> territory apply for (currently countries or territories on the ISO
>> 3166-1 list has one two letter cc___) and should a list of possible
>> strings (or names) be mandated. It is anticipated that this ccPDP
>> will take in the order of two years to complete and will result in a
>> well-defined policy allowing for the introduction of IDN ccTLDs into
>> the domain name system, and, depending on the outcome of the ccPDP,
>> implementation of the results may take a similar time frame.
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>> Early consultations and discussions on this issue revealed that there
>> are already some countries and territories who have an urgent need
>> for an IDN ccTLD. As a result, a "fast track" process that does not
>> pre-empt the outcome of the ccPDP, is being developed to address this
>> need. As part of this process, ICANN is attempting to forecast the
>> number of countries and territories interested in seeking an IDN
>> ccTLD/s through the "fast track" process. I would appreciate your
>> assistance with this forecasting by ensuring that the questionnaire
>> which immediately follows this email is completed and returned to
>> idn-cctld-rfi@icann.org <mailto:idn-cctld-rfi@icann.org> or fax +1
>> 310 823 8649 by 17 October 2008. I would recommend that you read the
>> Important Background Information also enclosed with this letter for
>> context.
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>> I would emphasise that the questionnaire is for planning and
>> information purposes only. It is intended that any information you
>> provide will be published on the ICANN website as transparent
>> information will benefit and accelerate the process. However, any
>> indication that you would like all or part of the information treated
>> as confidential will be respected. Responding to the questions is not
>> mandatory to be eligible for an IDN ccTLD under the "fast track"
>> process, nor should a response to the questions be considered a
>> commitment by ICANN to introduce a particular IDN ccTLD.
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>> ICANN is committed to the widest possible consultation on policy
>> issues such as this and ccTLD managers can participate in the process
>> through the ccNSO. More information on the GAC is available at
>> http://ccnso.icann.org Further information about ICANN is available
>> on our website http://icann.org and information about IDNs can be
>> found at http://icann.org/topics/idn
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>> If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Bart
>> Boswinkel, senior policy advisor via email <Bart.Boswinkel@icann.org
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>> Thank you in advance for taking the time to participate in this
>> exercise.
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>> Yours sincerely,
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>> Paul Twomey
>> CEO & President
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