

## Fondation RESTENA

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> ICANN 4676 Admiralty Way, Suite 330 Marina del Rey, CA 90292-6601

Luxembourg, 15 February 2011

Dear Rod Beckstrom,

Fondation RESTENA ('RESTENA') is the registry for Luxembourg's ccTLD, .LU. RESTENA is committed to administer the .LU domain in a way that serves the Luxembourg Internet community best and believes that the policy as well as the structure of the .LU domain should be developed and operated at the local level in close cooperation with the local Internet community and in compliance with Luxembourg law.

With respect to the global Internet community, it is RESTENA's responsibility to ensure that its technical systems conform with the relevant standards, thus enabling global interoperability. Moreover, like any ccTLD registry, RESTENA is highly interested in ensuring and enhancing the security, stability and interoperability of the Internet's global Domain Name System (DNS) for the benefit of the local and global community.

The purpose of this letter is to demonstrate our willingness to further develop the existing cooperation between RESTENA and ICANN with the aim to create a stable relationship and to let you know how we see the main aspects of RESTENA's role in fulfilling its commitments to the Luxembourg local community as well as to all users of .LU domain names.

## In this regard, RESTENA:

- operates and maintains the authoritative name servers for .LU in a stable and secure manner, adequate to resolve names under .LU by users throughout the Internet and in compliance with applicable IETF standards and subject to and within the limits of relevant Luxembourg law;
- maintains the .LU zone data as stored and updated in the authoritative name servers for .LU;
- notifies ICANN, as the organization that performs the IANA function, in a timely manner of any change on .LU data stored in the IANA database, including changes of the administrative or technical contact;
- is legally and geographically located in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and its administrative contact is a representative of the Foundation and maintains an office located in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg.

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On the other hand, RESTENA believes it is important that the IANA function continues to be performed in an open, transparent manner. We support ICANN's continued provision of a secure, efficient, swift and reliable system.

RESTENA supports the concept of industry self-regulation in the Internet and therefore also supports ICANN as the organization that performs the IANA function.

RESTENA has contributed to the funding of ICANN in the past and is willing to fund a fair share of those ICANN services that are directly relevant to ccTLDs. It is our intention to continue to contribute on a purely voluntary basis annually the amount of 5000 USD to ICANN's cost of operations. We agree to review in good faith our voluntary contribution, taking into account all the relevant circumstances. The good faith review of the voluntary contribution will occur annually, and will conclude by 31 March of each year.

It is the intention of both parties that this exchange of letters will not form the basis for any claim to legal or equitable relief, or create reliance on the part of either party. For the sake of eliminating any doubt, nothing contained in this letter shall give rise to any liability, monetary or otherwise, for either one of us to the other.

We agree that we may terminate our commitment to you by giving you notice in writing and if we do, we agree that our obligations to you under this letter shall cease. However we acknowledge that we are to continue to perform our duties to the extent it is within our powers and can be reasonably expected under the circumstances in order to maintain the stability and interoperability of the DNS.

We look forward to continuing our cooperation and hope for a long and mutually beneficial relationship with ICANN.

Yours sincerely,

Antoine Barthel

Director

Théo Duhautp

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## Addressing the global Internet

February 22, 2011

**Rod Beckstrom CEO** and President

**Fondation RESTENA** 6, rue Coudenhove-Kalergi L-1359 Luxembourg Attn: Antoine Barthel and Théo Duhautpas, Directors

Dear Mr. Barthel and Mr. Duhautpas,

This letter sets out our understanding of what we have agreed to do in order to demonstrate our commitment to securing and enhancing the stability and interoperability of the Internet's Domain Name System (DNS) for our mutual benefit and for the benefit of the local and global internet community.

To this end we make the following commitments to you.

We shall use our best endeavours to:

- a) maintain a stable, secure, and authoritative publicly available database of relevant information about .LU, the Delegated country code Top Level Domain, in accordance with ICANN publicly available policies and procedures. The Authoritative Root Database shall contain information for the public authoritative name servers for .LU, contact information for .LU, the designated administrative contact(s), and the designated technical contact(s) as notified to ICANN;
- b) implement on notification by Fondation RESTENA a change to the domain name or IP address(es) of the name servers for .LU as recorded in the Authoritative-Root Data for .LU in the Authoritative-Root Database according to ICANN's publicly available policies and procedures. The initial format and technical requirements for such a change are set out in our publicly available policies and procedures;
- c) publish data maintained in the Authoritative Root Database about .LU which shall include at least the names of Fondation RESTENA as the Sponsoring Organization, the administrative contact(s), the technical contact(s), and the domain names and IP addresses of the authoritative name servers for the domain;

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- d) coordinate the Authoritative Root Server System so that it is operated and maintained in a stable and secure manner; and cause the Authoritative Root Server System to publish DNS resource records delegating the Top Level Domain .LU to the name servers recorded in the Authoritative Root Database and to inform the named administrative contact(s) and technical contact(s) of the published changes to the name servers for .LU.
- e) maintain authoritative records and an audit trail regarding changes to .LU delegations and records related to those delegations and shall inform Fondation RESTENA of the status of a requested change related to .LU in accordance with the policies, procedures and format as made publicly available by us; and
- f) notify Fondation RESTENA of any changes to our contact information no later than seven days after the change becomes effective.

We agree that we may terminate our commitment to you by giving you notice in writing and if we do, we agree that our obligations to you under this letter shall cease. However we acknowledge that we are to continue to perform our duties to the extent it is within our powers and can be reasonably expected under the circumstances in order to maintain the stability and interoperability of the DNS.

We agree that no breach of a commitment contained in this letter or performance or non-performance under this letter shall give rise to any monetary liability by either one of us to the other.

We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with you.

Regards,

**Rod Beckstrom** 

President and Chief Executive Officer

**Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers**