



CENTR Update

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CENTR Passport

Full name : **C**ouncil of **E**uropean **N**ational **T**op Level Domain **R**egistries

Membership: **48** Full members (ccTLD registries from Europe and beyond)
10 Associate members (gTLD registries, ccTLDs outside Europe)
12 Observers

CENTR Members account for over 62 million ccTLD domain name registrations which is 80% of the total number of ccTLD names registered world wide

Staff: Brussels based secretariat with **4** staff

1. Current issues
2. Future plans



CENTR Thematic workshops

TECHNICAL

- DNS infrastructure
- DNSSEC
- OpenDNSSEC
- DNSSEC signing methods
- EPP
- Detection of Fast Flux Botnets
- Security Audit of a ccTLD registry
- Conficker monitoring
- ...

MARKETING

- ccTLD market analysis
- Growth prognosis for ccTLDs
- ccTLD awareness
- Promoting domain names
- Communication strategies
- Social networks
- ...

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Registrar relations
- EPP
- Registration systems
- DNSSEC implementation
- Public Relations
- Registrant data verification
- customer satisfaction
- ...

LEGAL

- Registry policy
- DNSSEC
- Dispute Resolution
- National legislation
- Whois policy
- Court cases
- ...

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Registry's R&D activities
- ONS Platform
- Certificates in DNS
- Internet Health check
- ...

- DNS-CERT
 - Again a topic at our GA
 - Not a single CENTR member supports it
 - Strong support for cross-constituency WG
 - Map existing initiatives (in cooperation)
 - Avoid mistakes like one-sided security survey

The comment can be found at

<https://www.centri.org/main/news/5548-CTR.html>

- Whois
 - Accuracy (and the difficulty to check it)
 - Opt-out (improves accuracy)
 - Additional services (search)
 - A tool against phishing
 - Whois Review Team
 - Study the areas of friction between Whois policy and local law

- Blocking
 - What is it?
 - Preventing access to illegal content by DNS poisoning, packet filtering or proxy server based blocking
 - Why is it an issue on our agenda?
 - EU Member States, EU Commission
 - Why is it a problem?
 - Not efficient and not scalable
 - Telecoms Regulations
 - Undermines user's trust in DNS
 - What can we do about it?
 - Educate, educate and educate

- Reputational DNS
 - What is it?
 - DNS policy information inside a specially constructed DNS zone
 - Currently used in email filtering tools
 - Why is it an issue on our agenda?
 - Recent discussions started by ISC
 - Recent bad experience with Spamhaus
 - Do we like it?
 - No (It hands control over DNS to third parties.)

- Building a Data Clearing House: Large scale survey on all measurable aspects of
 - Domains
 - Registrars
 - Registry
- New website
- Legal library (open to everyone)
- CENTR Newsletter

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MONTHLY ROUND UP

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Member News

Upcoming Events

Statistics

Member spotlight: SIDN

MEMBER NEWS (click title for full article)

[.be]
DNS.be launches DNSSEC in the .be zone

On the 17th of August in Leuven, Belgium, DNS BE launched the DNSSEC protocol. From the press release: "DNS BE has always put a high priority and focus on the safety aspects on management of DNS for .be. From now on, and just a few weeks after the rollout of DNSSEC from ICANN, the infrastructure name servers DNS BE supports the DNSSEC protocol."
[Full press release \[French/Dutch only\]](#)

[.ja]
Best performing 2nd quarter for .je domain registrations to date.

1.1% year on year increase in Q2 registrations
The IC Domain Registry (IDR) today reported the best performing second quarter for .je domain registrations in Ireland since records began.

[.cz]
DNSSEC protects more than one seventh of the Czech Internet

The Czech Republic is maintaining its leading position in the number of domains secured by DNSSEC technology. To this day, 100 024 of .CZ domains have been protected from misuse and forgery (the 100,000th DNSSEC-secured .CZ domain was registered on July 29
In August .cz hit 700,000 domains

[.lv]
Rise in Latvian botnets prompts Spamhaus row

Article detailing the recent dispute and problems between Anti-Spam organisation Spamhaus and NIC.lv after Spamhaus added a large chunk of Latvian IP addresses to their anti-spam list
[Read open letter and report here \(CERT NIC.LV\)](#)

[.nl]
SIDN has successfully implemented DNSSEC for the .nl zone

In Arnhem (23 August), SIDN successfully signed the .nl zone with DNSSEC, signing the zone is the first step towards a large-scale roll-out of DNSSEC
SIDN has also hit 4 million domains in late August

[.ru]
Internet grows in Russia

Internet usage is growing rapidly in Russia, with over 43.3 million people, or around 30% of the population, now accessing the web at least once a month.

[.se]
Putting .se's DS records into the root zone

Since the root zone is now signed, .se has submitted its DS records to the root zone.

[.uk]
Nominet Chief tells Domainers to grow up.

Article from a recent "MeetDomainers" conference in Manchester where Nominet Chief Executive spoke on the impacts of domainers on the DNS community and reputation.

ACTIVE CENTR SURVEYS
(click to access)

Redemption and Dropcatching (ends 20 September)

Evaluation Survey on GA42, Dublin, Ireland, June 2010



Thank you for your attention!

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<http://www.centri.org>