Experiences of a privately organised ccTLD

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.at domain management

- DNS: according to Austria's Telecoms Act not subject to numbering plans
- not covered by regulators activities
- since management of the Internet by LIC, DNS privately administered too
- administered by private sector

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governmental view

- "never touch a running system"
- states heavily dependent on the Internet
- self restriction to supervision as long as no interference seems to be necessary
- domain name council as valuable instrument for good advice and information

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Domain name council

- members:
  - registrars
  - user organisation
  - judge organisation
  - government
  - regulator
  - press
  - international expert

- advice
  - arbitration procedure
  - general policy
  - domain grabbing
  - idn
  - phishing
  - etc...

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- no legislation regarding domains in .at
- good relationship with government
- private bottom-up self administration
- broad support from the LIC
- all stakeholders are happy
- no reason to change anything in the future
Questions?

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