



CENTR

OVERVIEW OF RECENT ACTIVITIES

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What is CENTR?

- Council of European National Top Level Domain Registries
- Non-profit organisation based in Brussels
- Forum for TLD managers
 - Primarily ccTLDs (but also gTLDs) 55 Registry members representing 68 TLD operations
 - European focus (but members from around the world)
 - European Commission, invited Governments, RIPE and ICANN observers.
- One of 4 Regional Associations
- More than 42 Million ccTLDs (May 2008)



Most Recent Meeting Themes

- General Assemblies
 - Market analysis and new services
 - ZookNIC study
 - Whois services
 - Trademark protection
 - Meeting in October « TRENDS »
- Admin WS
 - Registry/registrar communication
 - ENUM
 - IDNs
 - Administrative survey (43 members)
- Legal and Regulatory WS
 - European Electronic Communications Framework Directive
- Technical WS
 - IPv6
 - Critical Infrastructure



A Level Survey

- General overview of practices and domain registration principles
- 77 detailed questions
- 3rd time – good comparison reference points
- Key results:
 - Majority private structure (55%)
 - Average growth since 2005: 98%
 - Almost 90% strictly « First come first served »
 - 21% only under second level domain
 - 60% of registrations takes less than 1 hour
 - 65% takes less than 4 hours to be « live »
 - 72% works with a registrar system
 - 46% requires presence in the country
 - 60% does not allow IDN registrations (yet)

- Following APTLDs initiative in 2007
- Analysis of Factors of demand for ccTLD domain names
- Key findings:
 - Does price matter?
 - Yes, but only insignificant effect in high and low ranges
 - Growth of Internet use is a key factor in the demand for domain names
 - SSL and broadband penetration
 - Very mild .com substitution effect
 - Policy changes towards liberalisation have a strong short term effect
 - More registrars equals more ccTLDs under that domain
 - Marketing campaigns that go hand in hand with price decreases work well in the short term.

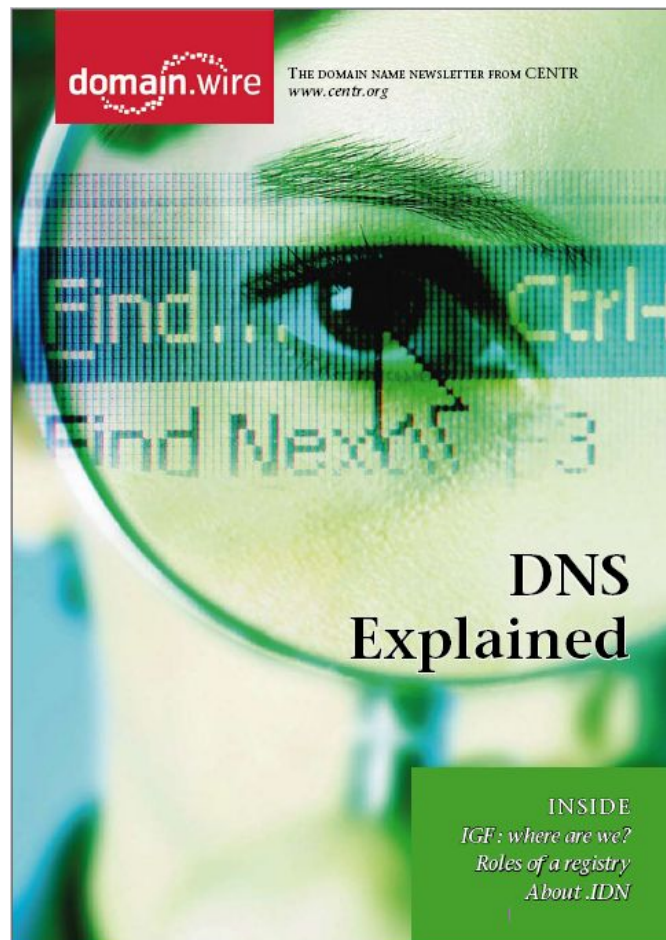



3 initiatives:

- Thematic Workshop
 - “Around the world in 8 ccTLDs”
- Searching for partners for an open session with focus on IPv6 implementation
- Educational booth



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About CENTR

CENTR is an association of Internet Country Code Top Level Domain Registries such as .uk in the United Kingdom and .es in Spain. Full Membership is open to organisations managing an ISO 3166-1 country code top-level domain (ccTLD) registry. The project that became CENTR was formed in March 1998 ...

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Meetings

General Assembly

 [35th CENTR General Assembly](#)
06/03/08 - Brussels, Belgium

 [34th CENTR General Assembly](#)
09/10/07 - Paris, France

Technical Workshop

 [18th CENTR Technical Workshop](#)
04/05/08 - Cologne, Germany

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21/10/07 - Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Legal & Regulatory Workshop


 [25th CENTR Legal and regulatory Workshop](#)
20/02/08 - Vienna, Austria

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28/09/07 - Riga, Latvia

Administrative Workshops

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- Next meetings
 - General Assembly: 2-3 October 2008 – Pisa
 - Technical Workshop: 25 October 2008 – Dubai
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