



# **Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery Working Group Update**

Saturday, 24 October 2009

# Background

- To what extent should registrants be able to reclaim their domain names after they expire? At issue is whether the current policies of registrars on the renewal, transfer and deletion of expired domain names are adequate.
- PDP initiated by GNSO Council in May 2009
- Working Group started deliberations in July 2009 and has been tasked to answer the following charter questions (see next slide)

# Charter Questions

- Whether adequate opportunity exists for registrants to redeem their expired domain names;
- Whether expiration-related provisions in typical registration agreements are clear and conspicuous enough;
- Whether adequate notice exists to alert registrants of upcoming expirations;
- Whether additional measures are needed to indicate that once a domain name enters the Auto-Renew Grace Period, it has expired;
- Whether to allow the transfer of a domain name during the Redemption Grace Period.

# Status Update

- WG started with addressing some definitional issues, discussing evidence of harm and data, role of resellers, development of public comment announcement and constituency statement input template
- ICANN Compliance Team provided feedback on outcome of RGP audit
- Development of Registrar Survey to address the need for further information on current registrar practices regarding domain name expiration, renewal, and post-expiration recovery
- Development of matrix for and review of public comments received

# Next Steps

- Public meeting on Monday 26 October at 13.30 in Sapphire 4 (L3)
- Review of initial registrar survey results
- Continue deliberations on charter questions
- Development of Initial Report

# Further Information

- PEDNR Wiki -  
<https://st.icann.org/post-expiration-dn-recovery-wg/>
- Post-Expiration Domain Name Recovery Issues Report –  
<http://gnso.icann.org/issues/post-expiration-recovery/report-05dec08.pdf>
- Translations available at:  
<http://gnso.icann.org/policies/>



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