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#### Setup and Status of .fo Today

A short historical résumé and facts about .fo. How we have chosen to construct the .fo domain space and the considerations we have made in connection with the introduction of the present set of rules governing .fo. The process from our old system to FRED and the challenges we face in the near future.

# Some Facts about the Faroe Islands Were is it?



### **Facts**

- 18 islands (62°North 07°West)
- 1399 km<sup>2</sup>
- Distant: N-S 113 km and E-W 75 km
- Population: 48.589 (feb.2011)
- The capital: Tórshavn (population 19.649)
- Language: Faroese (The language of the Vikings)
- Self governing country within the Kingdom of
  - Denmark (Not member of EU)
- The flag (Merki)

## The World's Best Islands

Faroe Islands were voted the most "authentic, unspoiled, and likely to remain so"

Places Rated by

National Geographic Traveler



# The structure

The university of Tórshavn

The Faroese IT-association

Minister of Industry

Appoint The independent

FO-council

# The History

- It started at the University of Tórshavn 1993
- The first .fo domain name 1995
- The Faroese IT-Association and the Minister of Industry elected the first FO-council in 2001
- Navision based administration system was implemented 2001
- The FO-council produced the first set of rules 2002
- The present council was elected in 2004
- New regulations were implemented 2006
- FRED was implemented late 2010

### The structure

#### FO-council is:

- appointed by the Faroese IT-Association
- manned by two representatives from the private sector and two from the public sector
- a self owned institution
- governed by regulations created by the council
- approved by the minister of Industry

## The FO-council

- there are no employees in the FO-council (it's an hobby)
- all the members have a fulltime job else ware

(two lawyers and two IT-specialists)

- the chairman is the former president of the Faroese IT- association
- the vice chairman is lawyer working at the National Data Security
- the first member is head of IT at the university in Tórshavn
- the second member is the head of National Data Security

## .fo council is:

- a non profit organisation
- not regulated by national law
- renting out domain names for one year at the time with the obligation to prolong the contract one year at the time
- to day managing 3.080 domain names

# In the beginning

- .fo domain names were first and foremost for Faroese companies and people
- you had to prove your right to a name
- not abuse 3th. person right
- .fo administration should check content and usage
- the administration system was insufficient and required much manual work

### Now

- we have loosen up a bit in the regulation
- You can now use 1.fo, a.fo, fi.fo, 123.fo etc.
- we can block names of national or public interests like = city names, islands names etc.
- we do not check content or usage
- only a court order will make us consider whether or not to take down a domain
- FRED is in action and performing good and is not labour intensive

## The near future

- a broader ns-base in collaboration with PCH
- DNSsec in collaboration with PCH
- implementing IPv6 in collaboration with PCH
- updating FRED
- liberalise the regulation
- open up for registrars?

## The Administration

The fo-administration is outsourced to a local security firma

# Applying for a .fo domain name

- First you have to identify you self with a copy of your passport or your the social security #
- Then you have to prove your right to the name with sufficient documentation (national or international register)
- Then you can apply with a A-application and you can now rent the name for one year at the time
- If you can't prove your right to the name, you have to apply with an **B**-application and the name will be publish on nic.fo and in a national newspaper for one month. If no one objects with a valid documentation and applies for the name your application will be approved
- Application fee A- 400,-dk/kr. B-900,-dk/kr.
- Annual fee 450,-dk/kr.



> Forsíða



- Forsíða
- Skráset brúkara.
- B listin
- Karantenu listin
- Prísir
- Um FO-ráðið
- Altjóða web-síður
- Navnaamb, veitarar
- Reglugerð
- OSS
- Fjar hjálp

#### Vælkomin á heimasíðuna hjá FO-umsitingini.

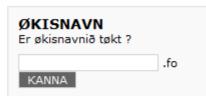
Hetta er umsitingarsíða fyri økisnøvnini (Domain Names) undir .fo landaøkinum, t.v.s. at her kunnu økisnøvn

- stovnast
- strikast
- redelegerast, t.e. at tilvísingin til navnaambætarar kann broytast

Har umframt ber til at stovna og broyta persóns- og virkisupplýsingar (adressu, t-post o.l.), ið eru/verða skrásettar í sambandi við eitt økisnavn.

Tó ber ikki til at skráseta nakað, fyrr enn tú hevur skrásett teg sum brúkara, og hevur innritað teg.

Skráset brúkara



| INNRITAN<br>Brúkaranavn:     |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Loyniorð:                    | 1 |
| INNRITA<br>Gloymt loyniorð ? |   |

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> Home



- ▶ Home
- Register User
- B list
- Protection list
- Fees
- Regulation

#### Welcome to the website of the FO-Administration.

This is the administration page for Domain Names under the .fo country domain. Here Domain Names can be

- created
- deleted
- redelegated (change of Nameservers)

Also you can create and modify data for Persons and Organizations (address, email etc.), which are/were created in connection with a Domain Name.

But before you can register anything, you have to register a user, and login to the system.

Register User

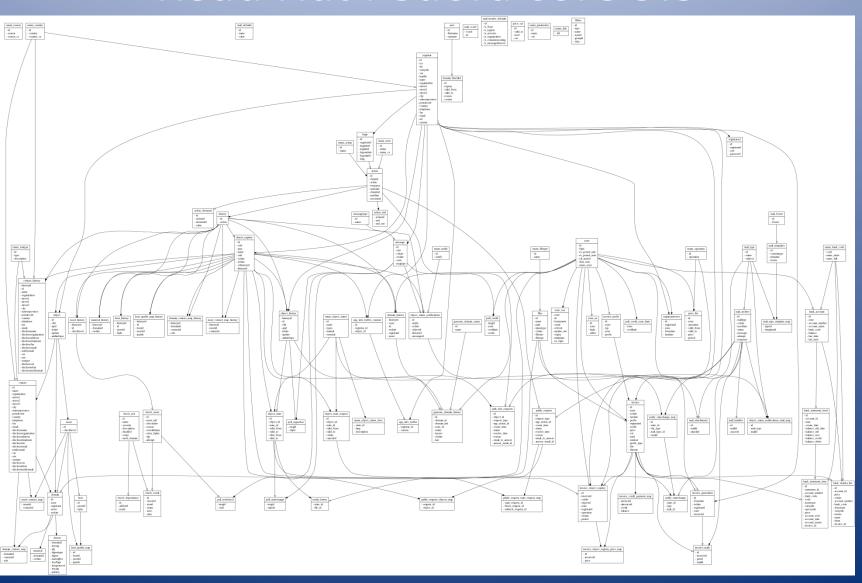
| DOMAIN NAME Is Domain Name availab | ole ? |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| CHECK                              | .fo   |

| LOGIN             |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Username:         |  |
|                   |  |
| Password:         |  |
|                   |  |
| LOGIN             |  |
| Forgot password ? |  |

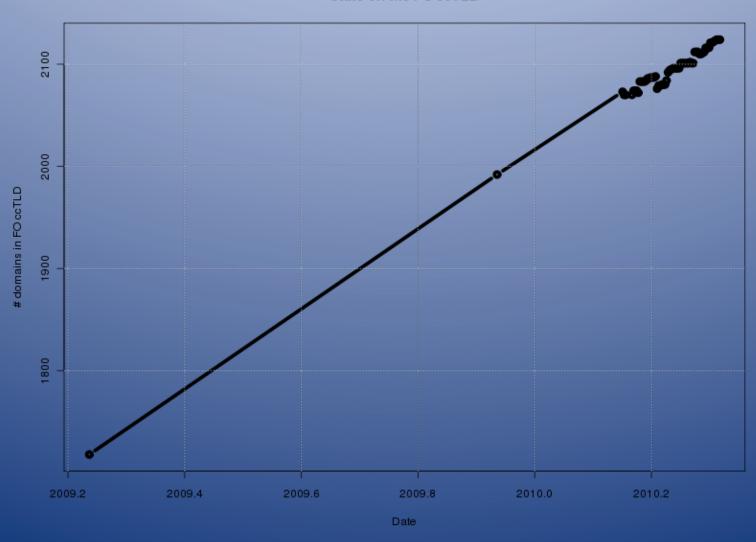
#### Video tutorial



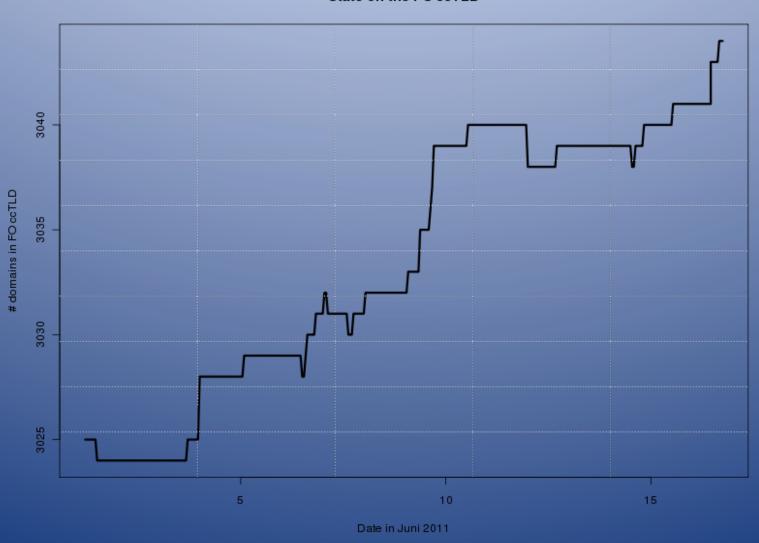
# FRED server 1.10.0 (2.3.10) Read Hat Fedora core 9.5



#### Stats on the FO ccTLD



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# Any questions?

