

Statement of Interests and Affirmation regarding Conflicts of Interest Policy

By Richard Wilhelm for participation in the ICANN IANA Naming Function Review Team

1. Current vocation, employer and position:

I am the Vice President of Platform Management at Verisign

2. Type of work performed in 1 above and declaration of relationships with entities holding a Financial (or declarable) Interest in ICANN:

My role is to lead the Verisign teams that are responsible for translating the requirements resulting from ICANN contracts and policies, along with the those from governments, into requirements for our domain name registration and resolution systems.

Other than being an employee and shareholder of Verisign, I have no other financial or declarable relationships within the ICANN community

3. Do you, or any company you work for, hold a contract to perform services for ICANN? If so, please identify the nature of that contractual relationship and the scope of work performed under that contract.

Verisign holds the Root Zone Maintainer Agreement (RZMA) with ICANN. Under this agreement, Verisign provides services for root zone maintenance, root zone signing management of the root zone's zone signing key, and distribution of the root zone file and related files to the root server operators

4. Identify any financial ownership or senior management/leadership interest in registries, registrars or other firms that are interested parties in ICANN policy or any entity with which ICANN has a transaction, contract, or other arrangement:

I am a member of senior management at Verisign.

5. Are you, or a company you work for:

- An applicant for a new gTLD with a pending application?
- Providing advice to any new gTLD applicants with pending

New gTLD Program, such as providing service in support of an applicant or having a financial interest in an applicant?

If your answer is yes to any of the above, please identify the interest you have in the pending application submitted for the New gTLD Program.

Verisign was an applicant for new gTLDs and does not have a pending application.

Verisign also has disclosed interest in the pending .WEB delegation.

Verisign provides back-end registry services for new gTLDs of which one customer has a pending application.

I have no other interests in gTLD applicants with pending applications.

6. Identify any type of commercial interest in ICANN policy development outcomes or the outcomes of this IANA Naming Function Review. Do you represent other parties in any PDP or other ICANN related processes?

Verisign's interest in ICANN policy development or outcomes of the IANA Naming Function Review is as a registry operator and registry services provider only.

I have no other commercial interests in ICANN policy development outcomes or the outcomes of this review.

7. Geographic Region associated with the domicile of volunteer (Africa, North America, Latin America/Caribbean, Asia/Australia/Pacific and Europe):

North America

8. Stakeholder Group(s), ACs, SOs, CCWGs or other RTs in which you currently participate within ICANN:

Registry Stakeholder Group

9. Formal Statement of Affirmation to the IANA Naming Function Review Team Conflict of Interest Policy (DRAFT attached) and as modified and adopted by the IANA Naming Function Review Team at a future date.

Affirmation

I, Richard Wilhelm, hereby affirm that I have received a copy of the IANA Naming Function Review Team Conflict of Interest Policy (DRAFT September 2019); have read and understand the Policy; and agree to comply with this DRAFT Policy, and as modified and adopted by the IANA Naming Function Review Team at a future date.

Except as described above, I have no (i) ownership or investment interest in any entity with which ICANN has an existing or proposed transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement; (ii) a compensation arrangement with any entity or individual with which ICANN has a transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement; and (iii) a potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which ICANN is negotiating a transaction, contract, dispute, or other arrangement.

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 10/25/19