

# WHOIS Recommendation 12 Implementation

## Internationalized Domain Names

31 December 2015

### Implementation 12 Timeline



Internationalized  
Domain Name

### Status of Deliverables

	Responsible	Due Date
Evaluate technical protocols and develop a new protocol known as the Registration Directory Access Protocol (RDAP)	Staff	✓
Work on IRD requirements	Staff	✓
Final Report of IRD Team	Staff	✓
Board Approval of IRD recommendations	Board/Staff	est. Feb 2016
Implementation Plan to be developed	Staff	(TBD) 2016

### Recommendation 12 Implementation Description

ICANN should task a working group within six months of publication of this report, to determine appropriate internationalized domain name registration data requirements and evaluate available solutions (including solutions being implemented by ccTLDs). At a minimum, the data requirements should apply to all new gTLDs, and the working group should consider ways to encourage consistency of approach across the gTLD and (on a voluntary basis) ccTLD space. The working group should report within a year of being tasked.



Complete  
Planned/In Process  
Behind schedule, expected to recover within original plan  
Behind schedule, original plan to be adjusted



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### Project Status

- The IETF WEIRDS Working Group has concluded its evaluation of technical protocols and has developed a new protocol known as the Registration Directory Access Protocol (RDAP). Once adopted by the IETF, the new gTLD Registry Agreement and the New 2013 RAA include commitments to adopt the new protocols.
- ICANN has tasked a team to work on the IRD requirements; the final product will be dependent upon the conclusion of the GNSO PDP on translation/transliteration described in #13 below.
- [Interim Report of IRD Team](#) – Apr 2014
- ICANN conducted a [Study to Evaluate Solutions for the Submission and Display of Internationalized Contact Data](#) – 2 June 2014
- IETF published new protocol in March 2015
- [Final Report](#) of the Expert Working Group on IRD published 23 September 2015
- Board Approval of IRD recommendations – est. February 2016
- Implementation Plan to be developed – (TBD) 2016

IRD Team analysis under way

- Draft Final Report of IRD Team published for [Public Comment](#) – 9 Mar 2015
- Public Comment Summary – 5 May 2015
- [Final Report](#) of the Expert Working Group on IRD published 23 September 2015
- Board Approval of IRD recommendations – est. February 2016
- Implementation Plan to be developed upon Board approval – (TBD) 2016

### Implementation Notes

This recommendation is in progress.

