

Total applications: 1930 Total withdrawn: 580 Total delegated: 1165 Total GAC EW: 187

Applications with GAC EW:

- 84 delegated (of which 50 added PICs - primarily for sensitive or regulated sectors like .tax, .doctor, .casino etc.)
- 64 withdrawn
- 8 in PDT
- 6 in string contention
- 15 "will not proceed" (so will not be delegated I guess but not withdrawn)
- 8 "on hold"
- 2 in other situations

However these numbers are somewhat misleading as there are quite a few "multiple applications" for the same name, for example ".hotel" (7) [*not to mention ".hotels" for which there was also an application*], ".gmbh" (6) which by definition can only be delegated to one applicant and the others usually withdraw (even though the GAC EW advice applies to all).

For example for .gmbh there were 6 applications (TLDDOT-DE; Internetwire Webdevelopment-DE; New Dot Co-USA; Charleston Road-USA; GMBH registry-USA; Extra Dynamite-USA), the GAC EW is to each one so 6 GAC EW¹ and there were 5 withdrawals (TLDDOT-DE; Internetwire Webdevelopment-DE; New Dot Co-USA; Charleston Road-USA; GMBH registry-USA), while .gmbh was delegated to Extra Dynamite. The GAC EW submitted by Germany suggested that the successful applicant ensure that registrants using .gmbh were indeed legally eligible to use this and met the national requirements to do so; hence the addition of a PIC. Therefore GAC EW *per se* was not relevant to withdrawal of the 5 other contestants for .gmbh as it was ultimately delegated (with PIC added). However GAC EW was relevant regarding the inclusion of a PIC.

Another case where a GAC EW stopped one applicant but the string was delegated is the case of .swiss. Swiss Airlines and the Swiss Confederation both applied for .swiss (the latter as a community application) and the Swiss government submitted a GAC EW against Swiss Airlines on the grounds

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1-1952-21459	gmbh	InterNetWireWeb	Germany	GMBH-DE-21459.pdf
1-1693-16758	gmbh	GMBH Registry LLC	Germany	GMBH-DE-16785.pdf
1-1682-34664	gmbh	Charleston Road Registry Inc	Germany	GMBH-DE-34664.pdf
1-1477-91047	gmbh	Extra Dynamite	Germany	GMBH-DE-91047.pdf
1-1296-52581	gmbh	NU DOT CO LLC	Germany	GMBH-DE-52581.pdf
1-1273-63351	gmbh	TLDDOT GMBH	Germany	GMBH-DE-63351.pdf

that .swiss was a geographic name, amongst others. The string was delegated to the Swiss Confederation (so of 2 applications, one withdrawn following GAC EW).

On the other hand there were clearly some withdrawals due to GAC EW and these seem primarily to be based on geographic name concerns. For example: [.Chinese characters] (#49 in the list) was withdrawn and is indicated as "geographic" (Guangzhu Wei was the applicant). There are four such cases (two in Chinese script, .roma and .zulu – although the Geographic Names Panel said that in their opinion the last string did not fall within the criteria for a geographic name).

Also, the cases of .halal and .islam are still "on hold" and most likely due to the GAC EW concerns.