

RDS PDP WG Poll on Purpose - 15 March

During our March 11th and 15th face-to-face meetings, the RDS PDP WG continued deliberation on the following sub-question:

Question 2.3: What should the over-arching purpose be of collecting, maintaining, and providing access to gTLD registration (thin) data?

The draft Statement of Purpose previously created by the RDS PDP WG, along with poll results from the previous week, can be found at this link: <https://community.icann.org/x/GbLRAw> (These materials may be helpful in completing the poll.)

The following poll questions give all WG members an opportunity to confirm, reconsider, or elaborate upon several proposed revisions discussed at ICANN58. This poll will close at COB on Saturday 26 March 2017.

As previously announced, by submitting a response to this poll, you are granting permission for your entire response - including WG member name and response timestamp - to be included in published poll results. Responses submitted by WG members are not assumed to reflect the views of any organization with which they may be affiliated.

Note: A link to the most recently-opened RDS PDP WG poll, along with links to the last meeting's notes/recordings and next meeting materials, can be found here: <http://tinyurl.com/ng-rds>

*** 1. Your name (must be a RDS PDP WG Member, not Observer, to participate)**

During ICANN58 meetings, the RDS PDP WG reviewed our draft Statement of Purpose for Registration Data and Directory Services (*shown below*).

Draft Registration Data and Directory Service Statement of Purpose:

This statement is intended to define the purpose(s) of a potential Registration Directory Service (RDS) for generic top-level domain (gTLD) names. The statement identifies Specific Purposes for registration data and registration directory services.

Note that it is important to make a distinction between the purpose(s) of individual registration data elements¹ versus the purpose(s) of a RDS, i.e., the system that may collect, maintain, and provide or deny access to some or all of those data elements and services related to them, if any.

Specific Purposes for Registration Data and Registration Directory Services

1. *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name.*
2. *A purpose of RDS is to provide an authoritative source of information about, for example, domain contacts², domain names and name servers for gTLDs, [based on approved policy].*
3. *A purpose of RDS is to identify domain contacts and facilitate communication with domain contacts associated with generic top-level domain names, [based on approved policy].*
4. *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide a record of domain name registrations.*
5. *A purpose of RDS policy is to facilitate the accuracy of gTLD registration data.*

¹ Here, "registration data elements" refers to data about generic top-level domain names collected in the relationship between registrars to registries and in the relationship between registrars/registries and ICANN.

² Contacts related to the domain name, including those directly related to the domain name and also those involved in the registration system as relevant. Further specification may occur at a later stage in the RDS PDP process.

Through discussion, WG members arrived at the following proposed revisions, detailed in the following poll questions. WG members attending the meeting expressed initial support for these revisions.

Understanding that feedback yet to be received from data commissioners may result in further refinement, please indicate below whether you agree or disagree with these three proposed revisions.

2. During our meeting, we tentatively agreed to replace:

- 1) *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name.*

with the following alternative text:

- 1) *A purpose of gTLD registration data is to provide information about the lifecycle of a domain name and its resolution on the Internet.*

Do you agree with this proposed revision? If not, why not?

- Agree with alternative text for specific purpose 1)
- Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

3. During our meeting, based on 7 March poll results and further discussion, we tentatively agreed to replace:

2) A purpose of RDS is to provide an authoritative source of information about, for example, domain contacts, domain names and name servers for gTLDs, [based on approved policy].

with the following alternative text:

2) A purpose of RDS is to facilitate dissemination of authoritatively-sourced gTLD registration data, such as domain names and their domain contacts and name servers, in accordance with applicable policy.

Do you agree with this proposed revision? If not, why not?

- Agree with alternative text for specific purpose 2)
- Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

4. During our meeting, we tentatively agreed to replace:

5) A purpose of RDS policy is to facilitate the accuracy of gTLD registration data.

with the following alternative text:

5) A purpose of RDS policy is to facilitate fulfilling requirements for the accuracy of gTLD registration data.

Do you agree with this proposed revision? If not, why not?

- Agree with alternative text for specific purpose 2)
- Disagree/Unsure (provide rationale in comment box below)

Provide rationale for disagreeing (if any) or suggest necessary clarifications (if any).

Thanks for participating in this poll. Please click below to submit your responses.

By submitting a response to this poll, you are granting permission for your entire response - including WG member name and response timestamp - to be included in published poll results.

Input gathered through this poll will be used as input to further WG deliberation on this charter question.