

At-Large .post Agreement Amendment Workspace

Comment /Reply Periods (*)	Important Information Links <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Comment Announcement • To Submit Your Comments (Forum) • View Comments Submitted
Comment Open:	9 April 2012
Comment Close:	9 May 2012
Close Time (UTC):	23:59 UTC
Reply Open:	10 May 2012
Reply Close:	29 May 2012
Close Time (UTC):	23:59 UTC
Brief Overview	
Originating Organization:	ICANN
Categories /Tags:	Contracted Party Agreements
Purpose (Brief):	ICANN is posting today for public comment the Universal Postal Union (UPU) request to amend its 2009 Sponsorship TLD agreement to remove the requirement to reserve the "previously-reserved IANA domain strings" at the second level. The UPU is the registry responsible for the management of .post generic top-level domain. This amendment, if approved, means that .post would be allowed to register second-level domains, like, for example, biz.post, com.post, uk.post, etc. Comments may be submitted through 9 May, 2012 and can be accessed here .
Current Status:	UPU is seeking amendment to its 2009 sponsorship agreement.
Next Steps:	Once the public comments are reviewed, the ICANN will consider the amendment.
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Detailed Information	
Section I: Description, Explanation, and Purpose	<p>ICANN is posting today for public comment the Universal Postal Union (UPU) request to amend its 2009 Sponsorship TLD agreement to remove the requirement to reserve the "previously-reserved IANA domain strings" at the second level. This amendment means that .post would be allowed to register, for example, biz.post, com.post, uk.post, etc. Comments may be submitted through 9 May 2012.</p> <p>It is worth mentioning that these "previously-reserved IANA domain strings" at the second-level are in many cases already registered in existing gTLDs. These names are also not going to be required to be reserved in new gTLDs pursuant to advice from the Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO).</p> <p>The UPU submitted the request to ICANN in accordance with the Registry Services Evaluation Policy (RSEP) and process set forth at http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/rsep/policy. The UPU .post RSEP request can be found here [PDF, 25 KB].</p> <p>ICANN has conducted a preliminary review and did not identify any significant competition, security or stability issues. The implementation of this request requires a modification to the .post TLD Sponsorship Agreement signed 11 December 2009. This public comment seeks community feedback on the proposed amendment. Below is the redlined version of the proposed amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POST Registry Agreement UPU 7Dec11 RSEP Proposed Amendments [PDF, 222 KB]
Section II: Background	The Universal Postal Union (UPU) signed a sponsor agreement with ICANN in 2009. UPU is a specialized agency of the United Nations, represented by the Director General of its International Bureau, whose purpose is to secure the organization and improvement of the postal services, to promote in this sphere the development of international collaboration and to take part, as far as possible, in postal technical assistance sought by its member countries.
Section III: Document and Resource Links	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current .post agreement and its appendices may be viewed at:http://www.icann.org/en/about/agreements/registries/post • Registry Services Evaluation Process: http://www.icann.org/en/resources/registries/rsep • Open comment forum processes and standards: http://www.icann.org/en/news/public-comment/rules-and-procedures • About UPU and .post: http://www.upu.int/en/activities/electronic-services/post/about-post.html
Section IV: Additional Information	None

(*) Comments submitted after the posted Close Date/Time are not guaranteed to be considered in any final summary, analysis, reporting, or decision-making that takes place once this period lapses.