



Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

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Mr. Geir Rasmussen
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Dear Mr. Rasmussen,

On behalf of ICANN, I am honored to authorize GNR to deploy Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs) on the basis of its commitment to adhere to the "Guidelines for the Implementation of Internationalized Domain Names, Version 1.0". In working so diligently to achieve consensus on these Guidelines with other key IDN registries, GNR has demonstrated its leadership in helping to achieve practical solutions to the many technical and operational challenges that IDN deployment poses.

GNR's leadership is a model of promoting the coordination of the domain-name system in the public interest, which is a vital aspect of missions of both ICANN and GNR.

Accordingly, on behalf of ICANN and acting under ICANN Board resolution 03.48, GNR is hereby granted written approval for the deployment of IDNs in compliance with the provisions of the "Guidelines for the Implementation of Internationalized Domain Names, Version 1.0", including by using tagged domain names beginning with "xn--" as specified in Appendix K of the Registry Agreement between GNR and ICANN.

ICANN looks forward to supporting the efforts of GNR and others to promote the responsible deployment of IDNs based on the principles stated in the Guidelines.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Twomey", written in a cursive style.

Paul D. Twomey
President and CEO