



ICANN assigned label “cpб” to Serbia as the second national domain

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) has announced that it accepts the proposal of the Serbian National Register of Internet Domain Names (RNIDS) that the label “cpб” becomes the Cyrillic domain of Serbia and assigned it to our country as the second national domain on the Internet.

In November 2009, ICANN initiated the Fast Track process of establishing IDN ccTLDs, i.e. non-Latin domain names.

At the beginning of the year, the Serbian National Register of Internet Domain Names (RNIDS) initiated the procedure for establishing the IDN ccTLD in the Serbian language and Cyrillic script. Two proposals with the highest number of votes from the Internet community of Serbia (“cpб” and “cpбија”) were sent to the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers for evaluation.

The procedure of assigning the new domain to the authorised national register needs to be finalised so as to bring the entire process to an end. This procedure lasts between three and six months.

On 15 July 2010, the Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Society of Serbia assessed that the Serbian National Register of Internet Domain Names fulfils all technical and organisational requirements defined by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) necessary for managing the register of the national Internet domain in Cyrillic.

A public discussion on principles to be included in the Rulebook on registering the Cyrillic domain of Serbia on the Internet will be initiated in the second half of November. The process of registering the Cyrillic domain is expected to commence during the second half of 2011.