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ICANN Update

- Internationalized Domain Names
  - Fast Track Process
  - Long-term Country & Territory Names Process
  - Variant Program

- New generic Top Level Domain Program
Top-Level Domains (as of 11 April 2012)

313 delegated

21 gTLDs
- 14 sponsored
- 4 unrestricted
- 3 generic restricted

280 ccTLDs

31 non-Latin

249 Latin

12 special purpose

11 testing

1 infrastructure
IDN Fast Track Process

Since November 2009

- 40 approved strings
  - 32 delegated IDN ccTLDs, representing 22 countries and territories
  - 8 strings have been approved & are either in IANA delegation process or are readying to go into delegation process
IDN Fast Track Process

UNGEGN experts have provided meaningfulness assistance to requesting entities in two cases.

Detailed information on strings that have gone through the process is available at http://icann.org/en/resources/idn/fast-track/string-evaluation-completion
Country & Territory Names Process

Long-term policy development process within ICANN’s ccNSO

• Study Group on Use of Country & Territory Names

• Policy Development Process for the Selection & Delegation of IDN ccTLDs associated with the ISO 3166-1 list
New gTLD Process

- List of 1930 applied-for strings revealed on 13 June 2012
  - 66 Geographic strings
  - 116 IDNs
  - Applications from 60 countries & territories
More Information:
- icann.org/en/resources/idn
- newgtlds.icann.org
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