.IKANO registration policies

§ 1 Preamble

Ikano S.A. is the Registry Operator for the top-level domain .IKANO. It allows the registration of second level domain names below the TLD .IKANO. The TLD .IKANO will be exclusively used by Ikano S.A. and its affiliated companies in the Internet, especially for the operation of websites, email communications and other DNS-based services. The domain names under the TLD .IKANO are not available to the public for registration and active use. Ikano S.A. will act both as a registry, as well as the sole beneficiary registrant. As far as Ikano S.A. acts as the registry, it is hereinafter referred to as the Registry Operator. If Ikano S.A. acts as eligible registrant, it is referred to as registrant.

The rights and obligations of the Registry Operator for the operation of .IKANO are regulated in the contract between the registry and the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN below) – the Registry Agreement - and is part of the registration conditions. The following statutes constitute the rights and obligations of Ikano S.A. to third parties and themselves.

§ 2 Domain registration

A domain below the TLD .IKANO can only be registered through the Registry-accredited registrars, which are concurrently accredited by ICANN. The legal relationship between the Registry Operator and the registrars are governed in the "Registry Registrar Agreement", which is also subject to these policies.

§ 3 Eligibility

The right to register domain names under the TLD .IKANO only belongs to Ikano S.A.. As far as Ikano S.A. acts as registrant of domain names, it is party to the relevant registration by the registrar. The registration and / or management of domain names through a trustee, so-called proxy service, is not permitted.

§ 4 String Requirements

A .IKANO domain name can only consist of digits (0-9), hyphens, the letters a through z and the small letters of the ISO 8859-1 (Latin-1) character set. It must neither start with nor end with a hyphen nor must there be hyphens in the third and fourth place. IDN Registrations under .IKANO will be allowed in Latin, Cyrillic and Thai and might be extended at the discretion of the Registry Operator from time to time. The minimum length of a domain is one (1), the maximum length sixty-three (63) characters. If the domain contains special characters, the maximum length is determined in accordance with RFC 5890 and RFC 5891.

§ 5 Reserved Domain Names

Registry Operator reserves, and does not allow the Registration of any labels which appear or are referenced by the Schedule of Reserved Names set forth in Specification 5 of the Registry Agreement. However, Ikano S.A. may propose the release of these reservations, subject to review by ICANN's Governmental Advisory Committee and approval by ICANN.

§ 6 Registration period

Domain names can be registered for 1 - 10 years. The registration of a .IKANO domain name follows the normal life cycle.

§ 7 Registration termination of a domain name

A termination of the registration of a domain name shall be carried out by the Registrar, at the discretion of the registrant and requires no justification. If in the notice no actual calendar day on which the termination shall take place is determined, the registration of the domain name is terminated with immediate effect. With the effective date of termination the terminated domain name is deleted.

§ 8 Transfer of a domain name

The transfer of registered domains, paid or free, to another registrant than Ikano S.A. is prohibited. Both the corporate transfer (sale of shares), as well as the transfer of the Registry Operator as an asset sale must be approved by ICANN.

§ 9 Use of registered domain names

Ikano S.A. operates services, especially websites and email services, which are associated or connected with a registered domain name, by itself. Ikano S.A. is entitled to authorize the use and operation of such DNS-based services to third parties. In this respect the only authorized entities are Ikano S.A. and all affiliated entities of Ikano S.A. (in particular parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, or otherwise connected companies that the ICANN definition of "affiliate" in the Registry Agreement, § 2.9c, corresponds to). The use of registered domain names and related services is permitted only for business-related purposes of Ikano S.A.. A domain name cannot be made available for use by a third party who is not entitled to use.

The registrant provides a legally binding declaration that in case of a letter/letter two-character ASCII label domain name registration he will take steps to ensure against misrepresenting or falsely implying that the registrant or its business is affiliated with the respective government or country-code manager if such affiliation, sponsorship or endorsement does not exist.

§ 10 Abusive registration and / or use of a domain name

It is illegal to use a domain name, either as registrant or user to whom the domain was left to use, abusive. Abusive is any use that is prohibited under Luxembourg law. This is especially true for domain name registrations which violate trademark or name or personal rights. Examples for abusive use are, but not limited, spamming (sending unsolicited bulk mail), phishing (fraudulent data collection) and the infringing content from websites. For obvious abusive registration or use the Registry Operator is entitled to delete the domain name, without prior consultation of the user.

§ 11 Dispute procedures

The Registry Operator will comply with all dispute resolution mechanisms as defined in the Registry Agreement Specification 7 article 2, and as revised from time to time by ICANN consensus policies

and procedures. Registrants of .IKANO domain names hereby agree to be bound by all applicable domain name dispute policies, as outlined in this Registration and Use Policy.

These dispute mechanisms include, but are not limited to:

- the Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedure (Trademark "PDDRP");

- the Uniform Rapid Suspension system ("URS"); and
- the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy ("UDRP").

§ 12 Whois

The Registry Operator maintains a publicly accessible database in which all data of the registrant of a domain name in accordance with the Specification 4 and 10 of the Applicant Guidebook (currently as of 04.06.2012) and the RFC 3912 will be published. This includes the specification of the registrant of the domain name with name, postal address, email, phone and fax, the appointment of an Admin C, Tech C and optionally a zone manager who is published, with details in the Whois database. Admin C, Tech C and Zone Manager can be specified using the contact details of the company for which they are employed.

To prevent misuse of the Whois database, the Registry Operator will secure access to Whois data via a CAPTCHA code and limit the access through the number of query requests per IP address, or otherwise.

§ 13 Applicable law and jurisdiction

Luxembourg law is applicable to all disputes in connection with the registration and use of domain names, unless a non-judicial dispute resolution process is prejudicial. If after a decision in a nonjudicial dispute resolution procedure the ordinary courts are open, Luxembourg law is applicable. Jurisdiction for all disputes arising from the registration and / or use of a domain name is Luxembourg.