

Interest Sought in Receiving Names from De - Accredited Registrar

As the result of the de - accreditation of [Registrar Name], the .IN Registry is seeking Statements of Interest from .IN-accredited registrars that are interested in assuming sponsorship of the .IN names that had been managed by [Registrar Name].

[Registrar Name] managed approximately [###] .IN registrations, and is based in [Location].

Request for Statements of Interest

.IN-accredited registrars who wish to be considered as a potential recipient of a bulk transfer of the names should be in good standing with regard to all .IN-obligations and submit a written statement of interest by no later than [TIME] UTC on [DATE], with a description of qualification, which includes at least:

- Registrar experience, including number of registrations and customers managed;
- Availability of sufficient customer service staffing to timely respond to customer service requests during and shortly after the bulk transfer;
- Ability to communicate with customers in languages other than English;
- Experience with and knowledge of bulk - transfer procedures;
- Documentation of procedures to resolve potential disputes of domain name control or registration rights (in the event of contested ownership or inaccurate WHOIS Data);
- Experience as a customer - facing / " retail " registrar business;
- Ability to provide .IN with regular status reports.

Expressions of interest should indicate, approximately, the amount of time needed by the applicant - registrar to prepare to receive the bulk transfer.

This request for information / expressions of interest is made pursuant to the Terminated Registrar Transition Procedure posted at www.registry.in. .IN Registry reserves the right to entertain any or none of the statements of interest submitted in response to this request and to select or approve a bulk - transfer recipient outside this process. To the extent confidential treatment of any information in the submission is required, such information should be designated accordingly. Questions and submissions should be submitted by email to the .IN Registry.

De - Accredited Registrar Transition Procedure

Clause 9.3.1 of .IN Registry RRA states that on Termination of a Registrar, the Registry will transfer sponsorship of Domain names registered by it to another .IN Registrar in compliance with any procedures established or approved by .IN Registry.

Accordingly, the .IN Registry now has approved the following procedure:

- The first step in the selection of a gaining registrar by the .IN Registry is a solicitation of statements of interest through the posting of a Request for Information (RFI) at www.registry.in and distribution through the Registrar mailing list. The RFI will request that applicants submit an application within a time frame of approximately one week. The responses should include details about the applicant - registrar's qualifications, such as ability to technically manage the transition of registrations and capacity to provide competent customer service to new registrants.
- The gaining Registrar will be selected by auction amongst .IN Registrars actively selling .IN domains for more than a year, and on whom no penalty has ever been imposed by .IN Registry.
- No bulk transfer fees will be charged.
- .IN Registry and gaining Registrar will inform all the Registrants by email, as well as by public announcement on the .IN Registry website.
- If **NO** qualified gaining registrar can be located through the Gaining Registrar Selection Process, .IN Registry can:
 - temporarily operate the registrar through its "terminated registrar" registry account and establish a deadline by which all registrants must transfer their names out;
 - operate the de-accredited registrar indefinitely by providing unlocking and auth-code services to registrants;
 - retain the services of a registrar backend service (or backend and customer service) provider either temporarily or indefinitely;
 - compensate a registrar to receive the bulk transfer;
 - offer a temporary accreditation to potential gaining registrars