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Ministry of Communications and Information Technology,
Government of India, New Delhi



Sub: Conference on “New Horizons in IDN’s & Reference to new gTLD’s”

Dear Sir / Madam,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the conference on **“New Horizons in IDN’s & Reference to new gTLD’s”** to be held on *6th July, 2011 at Jacaranda Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi from 09:30 am to 5:10 pm.*

Internationalized Domain Names (IDN’s) enable the user to enter the URL of the website of his choice in the browser in his native language. Earlier this was limited only to Latin characters and therefore we had to use **.in**. However Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), has now permitted Internationalized Domain Names. This means that like www.cdac.in very soon you can have सीडैक.भारत

ICANN has now opened up its policy in the recent meeting and has permitted not only country names and Institutional names but has also new Generic Top Level Domain Names (gTLD’s), which were earlier limited to .edu, .com, .mil etc. Soon one can apply for the name of one’s company or a city such as .kolkata or .delhi or .mumbai.

With this in mind, Department of Information Technology, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, VeriSign SARL, National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) and Centre for Development of Advanced Computing have organized a One-day conference in New Delhi to explain to the relevant stake holders the concept of the New gTLD’s, the application process, the timelines and financial implications of the same. The conference will also serve as a platform for covering the initiatives undertaken by DIT to ensure that our Indian Languages find their rightful place in Internationalized Domain Names.

The conference will have experts from UK, USA as well as Legal and Security experts and experts from CDAC and DIT, explaining the process. Your presence at the Conference is requested and it would be of great utility to you and your organization as well.

We would request you to kindly reserve this date and be with us to share your views and opinions at this important event. The registration is free, but to ensure your participation, you are requested to kindly register online at www.idn.cdac.in

With regards,

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