15 September 2021

ICANN Final Determination
Re: Notice of Registry Operator Request for Termination of Registry Agreement - .rmit

On 31 May 2021, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .rmit Registry Agreement entered into on 19 November 2015. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, Registry Operator may terminate the Registry Agreement for any reason upon one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance notice.

Pursuant to the terms of Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org consulted with Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology to assess whether to transition operation of the .rmit top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 29 July 2021, ICANN org made a preliminary determination that operation of the .rmit TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:
   1. .rmit qualifies as a .Brand TLD.
   2. Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.

On 28 August 2021, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, no comments were received. Pursuant to Section 4.4(b) of the Registry Agreement, ICANN org will proceed to terminate the .rmit Registry Agreement by 27 November 2021.

In conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement (as modified by Section 6 of Specification 13 for this .Brand TLD), ICANN org may not delegate the TLD to a successor registry operator for a period of two years without Registry Operator’s consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

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