

Date: 7 April 2021

ICANN Preliminary Determination Re: Notice of Registry Agreement Termination by ICANN - .wed Top-Level Domain

On 5 October 2020, ICANN org terminated the .wed Registry Agreement with Atgron, Inc. (Atgron) pursuant to Section 4.3(a) of the Registry Agreement.

Subject to an ongoing evaluation, ICANN org has made a preliminary determination that the operation of the .wed TLD should be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator. ICANN org's review and determination regarding transition to a successor Registry Operator are subject to Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement and are based on various factors, including ICANN org's assessment that transitioning the TLD is necessary to protect the public interest. ICANN org has confirmed that there are domain name registrations in the .wed TLD that are registered to third-parties.

Before making its final determination, ICANN org will consider input provided by interested parties via email at <u>ra-termination-comments@icann.org</u>. The deadline to submit input is 7 May 2021 23:59 UTC.

If ICANN org's final determination is that the operation of the .wed TLD should be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator, the selection of and transition to a successor Registry Operator will be conducted in conformance with Section 4.5 of the Registry Agreement and the Registry Transition Process. Additional details will be forthcoming following ICANN org's final determination.

Regards,

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