11 November 2026

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

On 14 July 2026, Beijing Qihu Keji Co., Ltd. notified ICANN org of its intent to terminate the .xihuan Registry Agreement entered into on 08 January 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, ICANN org consulted with Beijing Qihu Keji Co., Ltd. to assess whether to transition operation of the .xihuan top-level domain (TLD) to a successor Registry Operator.

On 07 September 2026, ICANN org made a preliminary determination that operation of the .xihuan TLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator based on the following rationale:

ICANN org's review and determination regarding transition to a successor registry 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 not necessary to protect the public interest. Beijing Qihu Keji Co., Ltd. attested and ICANN org confirmed that there are no domain name registrations in the .xihuan TLD beyond those required by the Registry Agreement.

On 07 October 2026, 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 .xihuan Registry Agreement no later than 10 January 2027.

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