

Structuring a ccTLD Policy Development Process

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Why a “PDP” for ccTLD The Internet-

- The communication vehicle “par excellence”
- Affordable or potentially affordable
- Global reach
- Universal acceptance

POLICY

- A set of regulations, rules or procedures
- Clear
- Easily understood
- Consistent
- Simple
- Adaptable

A Process for Definition of ccTLD Policy

- Brings transparency
- Adds credibility to the exercise
- Can be subject to change
- Provides a tool for testing compliance/standards
- Involves or can potentially involve several stakeholders

Essential elements of the policy

- Who has authority to decide?
- The need for consultation
 - (a) Public hearing
 - (b) Written submission
 - (c) Publicity
 - (d) Specific timeframe for representation(s)

Post Implementation Phase

- Evaluation –
 - (a) Have the objectives been attained?
 - (b) Is there the need to amend, adapt or change?
- Review –