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NEWSLETTER FOR .SI TOP LEVEL DOMAIN

register.si

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TODAY THE VIRTUAL AND REAL WORLDS ARE CLOSELY LINKED, AND THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN THEM ARE DISAPPEARING. WE USE THE WEB TO COMMUNICATE, DO BUSINESS, SHOP, READ, FIND INFORMATION AND SHARE IT WITH THE WORLD, EXPRESS OUR OPINIONS, MAKE FRIENDS, RECEIVE EDUCATION, ADVERTISE... THE WEB HAS BECOME SO INTEGRATED INTO THE BONDS OF SOCIETY THAT WE TAKE IT FOR GRANTED, AS SOMETHING BOTH ESSENTIAL AND PERVASIVE. IT IS THUS HARD TO IMAGINE A TIME BEFORE DOMAINS AND WEBSITES WERE PART OF DAILY LIFE.

20^{YRS}

The story of the .si domain **begins almost exactly 20 years ago**, with the acquisition of the ISO two-letter country code for the newly created Slovenian state. What was then the Ministry of Science authorised the Academic and Research Network of Slovenia to administer the .si address space. The newly established ARNES immediately contacted IANA, specifically Internet leading light Jon Postel, who ensured that the top-level domain became visible on the web.

since 1992

The .si domain has thus been **active and present online since 1992**. We are often asked about the first domain name registered under .si. There was no single first domain, but rather several. Until the Slovenian top-level domain was established, we used the Yugoslav address space, .yu. We then transferred all Slovenian domains from .yu to .si. Things began slowly, taking five years to reach 1000 .si domains; by 2012, that figure had grown to more than 100,000.

DNSSEC

Web expansion has not only brought benefits. The exceptional growth and commercial success has meant ever more attacks, frauds and deceptions. **In 2011 we therefore signed the .si top-level domain using DNSSEC technology**, which blocks certain attacks and prevents DNS spoofing.

This issue of .si News offers a timeline for the last 20 years. Despite hard times and the economic crisis, we believe that the web remains an important economic and social factor. We cannot predict future developments in terms of new technologies, applications and sectors, but we look forward to the next 20 years with optimism and anticipation.

HISTORY OF .SI TLD

1992-1999

6 Mar 1992
SI is the official code of Slovenia (ISO 3166).

16 Mar 1992
Ministry of Science authorises ARNES to administer .si address space – ARNES becomes the registry for .si.

19 Mar 1992
ARNES asks IANA to apply .si in the root zone.



1992
10 | domains

1st domains:
ki.si, arnes.si, aster.si, ijs.si, zrc-sazu.si, izum.si, pasadena.si, hermes.si, uni-lj.si, uni-mb.si.

30 Dec 1992
Transfer from .yu to .si.

1 Apr 1992
.si is in the root zone.

1995
100 | domains

23 Sep 1996
First official Terms and Conditions for .si.

Strict rules, only 1 domain per legal person, names must match company names, registration is free.

1997
1.000 | domains

EPP server and client, registrars, up to 20 domains per registrant, paid registrations, domain dispute procedure (ARDS).

4 Apr 2005
Automatization of the registry.

2000-2009

2001
10.000 | domains

Mar 1998
CENTR is created
www.centr.org



6 Nov 2008
Private persons and foreign registrants are allowed, registration period from 1 up to 5 years.

Feb 2010
New logo.

20 Oct 2010
IDNs and 2-letter domains allowed.

IDNs are internationalized domain names. Such domains also contain other characters besides ASCII A-Z and roman numerals.

2010-2012



Oct 2011
2nd campaign.



Oct 2010
Imej.si - 1st campaign.

Dec 2011
.si News – newsletter about the world of domain names.

Dec 2011
.si is DNSSEC signed, chain of trust completed.

DNSSEC is an extension of DNS protocol that resolves some systemic vulnerabilities and prevents spoofing of the DNS traffic. It ensures authenticity and data integrity of DNS replies.

1992: 10
1995: 100
1997: 1.000
2001: 10.000
2012: 100.000

number of domain names through the years

Jan 2012
100.000
domains