



June 16, 2010

Dear Ms./Mr.

I'm writing to you on behalf of ECLID (European Cultural and Linguistic Internet Domains), a working group composed of five initiatives whose aim is to create our own Internet domains for our respective cultural and linguistic communities: .BZH, for Breton; .CYM, for Welsh; .EUS for Basque; .GAL for Galician and .SCOT for Scottish; and .CAT, the only existing Cultural and Linguistic Top Level Domain, that serves the needs of the catalan speaking online community, acting as ECLID advising member. All ECLID members are politically independent and non-profit entities.

Representatives of these five projects and .CAT will be attending the 38th ICANN International Public Meeting in Brussels, from June 20th-25th 2010. ICANN is the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, the organization in charge of approving new Internet domains. It's a non-profit corporation responsible for managing the assignment of domain names and IP addresses.

As the meeting is to be held in Brussels, we would like to present our projects to European society through the EU institutions, and share our communities' online aspirations.

To this end, we're carrying out a **presentation of ECLID at the European Parliament on Thursday, June 24th 2010, from 9.00 to 11.00**. It will be an introduction to European cultural and linguistic Top Level Domains, followed by a debate on the benefits these initiatives can provide to their communities, as well as to the global net. This event is addressed to an audience composed of members of ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers), CENTR (Council of European National Top Level Domains Registries), MEP's, and members of the Comission High Level Group on Internet Governance.

The panel consists of three speakers in an exceptional position to provide a balanced insight of the relevance of cultural and linguistic top level domains.

- Mr. Bertrand de la Chapelle, special envoy for the Information Society, French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs

- Mr. Mathieu Weil, CEO Afnic (.fr) and CENTR chair

- Mr. Jordi Iparraguirre, CEO Fundació puntCAT (.cat)

We would like to invite you to assist to the event. We would be honoured to have you joining our session, and the following debate.

RSVP: Please respond by 22 June to amadoz@domini.cat or to susan.reynolds@puntogal.org. Due to Parliament security reasons, attendees need to provide name, date of birth and nationality.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,

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