

Memorandum of Understanding  
between  
**China Internet Network Information Center**  
**(CNNIC) .CN**  
and  
**Coordination Center for Country-Code Top Level**  
**Domains .RU**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made on the 21st day of November 2014, by and between China Internet Network Information Center (CNNIC) and the Coordination Center for Country-Code Top Level Domains .RU (CCTLD.RU). In this Memorandum, CNNIC and CCTLD.RU are referred to individually as “Party” and together as “Parties”.

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS**, the Parties recognize the need for mutual cooperation as defined in the attachment in the technical platform R&D, IDN deployment, DNS security, product development, and in the current and future field of internet address resource;

**WHEREAS**, the Parties desire to establish framework for cooperative activities which are deemed to be mutually beneficial and acceptable to both Parties;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises herein, the Parties herewith agree as follows:

**Article 1 Scope**

The Parties agree to jointly identify specific program and project proposals for a possible cooperation as specified in the **Attachment** hereto.

**Article 2 Implementation and Additional Agreement**

Upon signature of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Parties shall reasonably endeavor to set up a collaborative research laboratory, named as China-Russia Naming and Addressing Technologies Center (CRNATC) before June 2015, and develop a program of mutual study visits to be implemented at least once a year, where cost of setting up CRNATC should be shared by the Parties in equal proportions. In addition, the Parties may enter into a separate agreement on a detailed cooperation project, if necessary.

**Article 3 Duration**

The tasks to be carried out by the Parties shall begin from the date of this Memorandum of Understanding and continue during an initial period of 3 (three) years, unless either Party gives the other Party at least a 3 (three)-month prior written notice of its intention to terminate this collaboration.

**Article 4 Final Provisions**

This Memorandum of Understanding and the Attachment hereto are made in English in two copies having equal legal effect, one for each Party.

For and on behalf of  
**China Internet Network Information Center  
(CNNIC)**

For and on behalf of  
**Coordination Center for Country-Code Top  
Level Domains .RU**

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## **Attachment**

### **Scope of Cooperation**

The Parties agree to jointly identify specific proposals and programs for a possible cooperation in the following specific areas:

#### **■ Joint contribution to development of Internet address technologies**

- Mutual collaboration in ensuring stability and security of DNS server operation for Top Level Domains (TLDs) of China and Russia (mutual technical support in case of server failure, etc.);
- Intensification of the bilateral cooperation by means of sharing and exchange of goods practices in the areas of CCTLD management and development of respective products;
- Technological cooperation with regard to technical platforms and development and promotion of domestic technologies and know-how, and software;
- Setting up a joint research laboratory, named as China-Russia Naming and Addressing Technologies Center (CRNATC).

#### **■ Cooperation to promote new Internet address service**

- Cooperation in promoting IDNs globally and locally, with an emphasis on bolstering universal acceptance;
- Co-research into, and testing for, Email Address Internationalization (EAI) service deployment.

#### **■ Ensuring safety in the country-code top-level domains' operations**

- Joint development and dissemination of advanced technologies to combat malware;
- Joint efforts and sharing good practices pertaining to promotion awareness-raising instruments.

#### **■ Enhancement of relationship between the Parties**

- Holding on a regular basis mutual study visits, joint workshops, etc.;
- Conduct of staff exchange programs.