Organisation and co-organisation of events

SECURITY OF IT SYSTEMS IN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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Security and protection of online business was the topic of a meeting held 20th September in the Belgrade Chamber of Commerce, which included a talk by Žarko Kecić, RNIDS' Chief Technical Officer and was attended by representatives of companies operating in the financial sector.

The financial sector (banks, insurance companies etc.) are especially vulnerable as they not only handle the personal data of their clients but also need to guarantee the security of their digital financial transactions. The annual financial losses caused by attacks by hackers amount to 15 billion pounds in the UK alone. The banking sector, despite its investment in security infrastructure, has not been spared its share of these losses as can be seen in the reports on last year's attacks, one victim of which was a large Brazilian bank which saw the data of hundreds of thousands of its clients compromised.

A brief analysis of the security of websites of banks operating in Serbia suggests that their security is at a satisfactory level, however very few organisations are making use of domain locking features.

Protection of the domain name is of crucial importance for the overall security of company ICT systems. Registrants of .СРБ and .RS domains have three types of domain locking available to them (*safe mode*, *client side lock* and *registry lock*), and can activate the desired level of protection by contacting their accredited registrar. In his talk, Žarko Kecić particularly focused on DNSSEC, explaining

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that this was a DNS security extension which added a cryptographic signature to DNS records, ensuring the authenticity and integrity of exchanged data..

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HIGHLIGHTS

VERIFYING PROPER DNS CONFIGURATION AT ZONEMASTER.RS

Recently the RNIDS ICT Services Sector implemented and adapted a tool – zonemaster.rs – intended to be used for detailed verification of the DNS configuration of a given domain name. The verification performed by Zonemaster covers the root DNS level, the TLD and the DNS servers that hold the information for the specified domain name. Zonemaster also supplies information on other parameters that are important for the domain to function smoothly – checking relevant records in the relevant zones, checking nameservers for the given domain name, verifying the validity of DNSSEC signatures and more

Partnership with accredited registrars

TECHNICAL AND MARKETING SUPPORT FOR ARS

The advertising co-financing programme was utilised during Q3 by the companies Adriahost and Eutelnet.

AR marketing departments were regularly updated with information – AR ranking lists, invitations to RNIDS events, training sessions and conferences, and reports and information on the activities of RNIDS, as well as on those of CENTR that were of relevance.
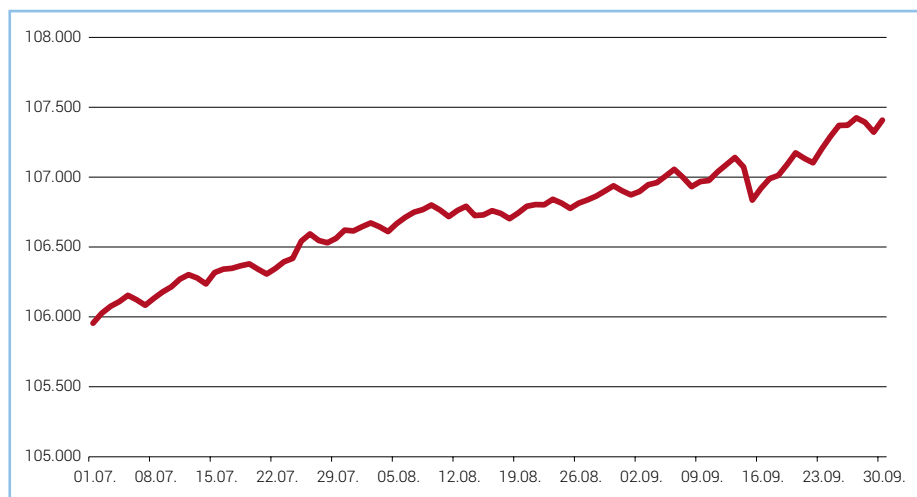
During Q3 an analysis was conducted of the services being offered by accredited registrars relating to .RS and .СРБ. domains. The report and analysis were forwarded to the Board of Governors and an AR Working Group.
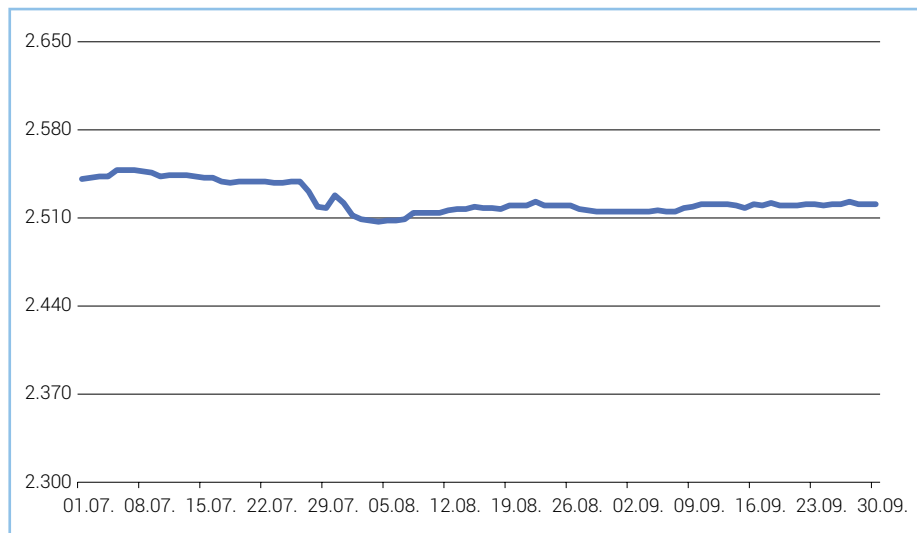
Growth of the domain market

DOMAIN STATISTICS

Number of registered .RS domain names
july-september 2019.

Number of registered .СРБ domain names
july-september 2019.

RNIDS ONLINE

Serbian National Internet Domain Registry Foundation
rnids.rs | рнидс.срб

Home of Serbia's Domains
domen.rs | домен.срб

Serbian Internet Domain Day (DIDS)
dids.rs | дидс.срб

RSNOG
rsnog.rs | рсног.срб

SOCIAL MEDIA:
linkedin.com/company/rnids
facebook.com/rnids.rs
twitter.com/rnids
youtube.com/rnidsonline
instagram.com/rnids

ACCREDITED REGISTRARS

Accredited registrars
domen.rs/registri

WHOIS lookup
domen.rs/whois

Joining RNIDS
rnids.rs/pristupanje

Publications
rnids.rs/publikacije

General terms for registration of domains
rnids.rs/uslovi

Dispute resolution procedure
rnids.rs/arbitraza

Activities of the Foundation

VLADIMIR ALEKSIĆ IS NEW CHAIR OF THE RNIDS CONFERENCE OF CO-FOUNDERS

Vladimir Aleksić was elected Chair of the Conference of Co-founders of the Serbian National Internet Domain Name Registry Foundation at an electoral session of the Conference of Co-founders held 14th September at the Holiday Inn hotel in Belgrade. Authorised representatives of 121 co-founders attended the session. The role had been performed for the last four years and over two terms by Zoran Buhovac.

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Vladimir Aleksić had been a member of the Board of Governors of RNIDS for three terms: 2009-2011, 2013-2016 and 2016-2019, as well as a member of multiple RNIDS working groups between 2009 and 2019. He is director of the company CRI Domains DOO, a RNIDS accredited registrar.

> VIDEO: **September meeting of the Conference of Co-founders**

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WORKSHOP FOR ACCREDITED REGISTRARS ON THE DATA PROTECTION LAW

Ahead of the enactment of the new Law on Data Protection (21st August 2019), RNIDS organised a workshop at the Falkensteiner Hotel on 30th July, to address compliance with the new law with partners from RNIDS' accredited registrars. The workshop was facilitated by Nevena Ružić, assistant to the General Secretary of the office of the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance and Personal Data Protection.

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The Data Protection Law and its recently passed subsidiary legislation are subjects of importance for companies whose business is connected with the domain industry, in view of the fact that domain registration itself entails the processing of personal data.

During the workshop, Nevena Ružić highlighted the key principles of the Law and explained the terminology used and what the obligations of the data controller are, and also explained some of the details regarding the appointment of a data protection officer within a company. She also explained the guidelines that needed to be followed in order to safeguard the principle of transparency, i.e. how individuals were to be properly informed regarding the process of collection and processing of personal data.

During the time set aside for discussion there was a chance to address questions and uncertainties regarding the role of the data controller. In addition there was discussion of European practice in this area and of the effects of the implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation – the GDPR.

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International partnership

RNIDS ACTIVITIES IN EUROPE AND WORLDWIDE

COMPACT Project – Budapest Symposium: 11/9/2019, Budapest (Hungary)

A professional gathering, the COMPACT Budapest Symposium: Intermediaries and their Liability, was held during September at the ELTE University Faculty of Law in Budapest, focusing on the liability of Internet platforms and Internet intermediaries with regard to posted content. Dejan Đukić, RNIDS' Chief Legal and Administrative Officer, was invited by the organisers to talk to the gathering about the practices and procedures of RNIDS and other registries in the event of complaints regarding content posted on a domain.

48th CENTR Administrative Workshop: 19-20/9/2019, Oslo (Norway)

The workshop was attended by Bojana Živković, Domain Name Registration and Data Analysis Coordinator at RNIDS. In addition to numerous presentations and sessions, voting was also held at the workshop for a new vice-chair of this working group, with Mickaël Vigreux of the French registry Afnic being re-elected to this post.

60th CENTR Legal & Regulatory Workshop 24-25/9/2019, Split (Croatia)

RNIDS' Chief Legal and Administrative Officer took part in this regular legal workshop. In addition to the customary topics, there was additional discussion of information security, with presentations held on the topic by representatives of the Israeli and German registries.

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APTLD76: 5-6/9/2019, Iskandar Puteri (Malaysia)

A meeting of the Asia Pacific Top Level Domain Association (APTLD) was held in Iskandar Puteri in Malaysia, with Goran Milanković, member of the Foundation's Board of Governors representing RNIDS at the gathering.

> MORE: **APTLD**

TLDCON 2019: 10-11/9/2019, Vilnius (Lithuania)

The Russian national Internet domain registry organises an annual conference for TLD registries of the Central and Eastern European countries. This year's event was held in Lithuania and was attended by Goran Milanković, member of the RNIDS Board of Governors.

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Activities in the ICANN community

Dejan Đukić, Chief Legal and Administrative Officer, took part as a member in the ICANN ccNSO Guideline Review Committee ("GRC") working group.

Mirjana Tasić, Advisor for Strategy and Development, took part in a number of ICANN working groups: Latin Generation Panel (of which she is Chair), Study Group on Technical Use of RZ-LGR, ccNSO Guideline Review Committee ("GRC"), ccNSO Review Working Party, Policy Development Process (PDP) Retirement Working Group and Work Track 5: Geographic Names at the Top-Level.

News from the world of domains

CENTR (the Council of European National Top Level Domain Registries) this year celebrates an important milestone – its 20th anniversary. During the quarter a number of articles were published to mark the occasion, on the role of TLD registries in the work of ICANN, research into the domain market and sovereignty and digital identity.

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