

Introduction of “.日本”

1. Name of New Country-Code Top-Level Domain

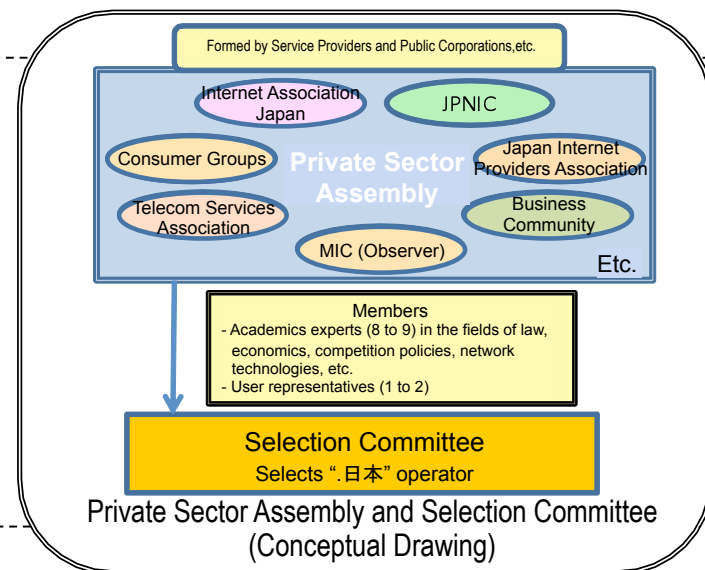
- “.日本” is appropriate as a domain name because it should be short and easy to remember.

2. Basic Rules for Managing “.日本”

- (1) To make the basic rules of domains, the “.日本” Registry should hear the opinion of parties concerned and collect public comments.
- (2) To ensure appropriate usage, the initial applicants for “.日本” should be limited to Japanese individuals and corporations.

3. Method of Selecting the Operator

- (1) The operator should be selected under the initiative of the private sector, and the Government, in principle, should accept the selection and send an endorsement to ICANN.
- (2) Specifically, a private sector assembly to establish a “Selection Committee,” and conduct fair, neutral, and transparent comparative evaluation & selection.
Selection Criteria: Technological expertise, financial stability, reliability on fair and transparent business management, compliance system, user support system, international capability, and contribution to Internet advancement.
- (3) Applications from existing operator will be accepted; however, consideration will be given to new applicants to enable them to compete equally.



4. Monitoring of “.日本” Management

- (1) The private sector assembly to establish a “Monitoring Committee,” and establish fair, neutral, and a transparent monitoring system in cooperation with the Government.
- (2) The Monitoring Committee to review the operator management status (including handling of complaints and enquiries) once or twice a year and improve their performance, as necessary.

