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Registration Policies

- Open to non-resident applicants but at a higher cost than locals
- Second level domains are made available but at a higher cost than third level
- gov.tt is managed by the TT Government
- edu.tt is managed by TTNIC but is provided free of charge to local schools
- Applicants must abide by Terms and Conditions stated on web site and accept WIPO UDRP

Domain Structure

- Registrants can apply for second level domains (e.g., companyname.tt) or third level domains within co.tt, com.tt, org.tt, net.tt, biz.tt, info.tt, pro.tt, int.tt, coop.tt, jobs.tt, mobi.tt, travel.tt, museum.tt, aero.tt, or name.tt.
- gov.tt managed by TT Government
- edu.tt are managed at www.edu.tt

Hardware and Software

- Primary DNS is run on Enterprise Edition Redhat Linux
- Registration software was developed in-house (including periodic and event triggered scripts)
- Uses Apache/PostgreSQL/Perl
- Data is backed up on a nightly basis to a geographically distributed machine

Staffing and Relevant Regulatory Bodies

- Presently managed by two part-time staff members (admin/tech and billing/accounts)
- Plans made to hire new staff member as human resource backup for admin/tech person
- Automation is used to reduce human intervention to a minimum
- We follow the WIPO Uniform Resolution Dispute Policy

Fee Structure and Funding Model

- For local applicants \$50 every three years for third level and \$500 for first two years for second level
- Pricing for foreign applicants is twice that of locals
- TTNIC is self-funded
- A portion of profit is used to provide free hosting for school websites and also for scholarships for MSc in Telecommunication program at UWI.

Future Plans

- Implement DNSsec
- Switch operating system to either OSX or FreeBSD
- Continue to streamline the operational process
- Offer credit card payment option