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Opening of second level domains

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Introduction

National Academy of Science

Board of domains

NIC-Internet

Background

- Clients asking for domain names with higher presence.

- NIC conducts a study to open second level domains in 2003. (feasibility)

- During 2005-2006 is developed a concept of service, impact on IT, policies, etc..

- In August of 2007 start a system development and other activities for the opening.

Features

- Greater presence and visibility on the Internet.

- Different and unique presence on the Internet.

- Specific conditions of service:
  - Costumer care 365 days a year.
  - Lower processing times.

- Different rates from third level domains

- All domains must be paid.

- Protection of trademarks.

Policies

- **Category .cr:**
  - ✓ Available for: academic, commercial, educational, financial, government, organizational, health, personal, etc.

- **For 3rd level domains registered before the opening:**
  - ✓ Reserved for 90 calendar days.

  - ✓ An exception in case of the new 2nd level domain name can cause a confusion to the public and/or disputes to the National Academy of Sciences in the administration of ccTLD .CR

Process

- After 90 days, the reserved names will be available .
- In case of duplicate 3rd level domain name, the first applicant has the right to register.

- Max time to apply the registration is 24 hours.

- Fees:

Dominios de segundo nivel	Años de registro o renovación	Tarifas en US$
.cr	1	$100
	2	$180
	5	$440

- Trademarks protection.

New Home Page

Domain Registration

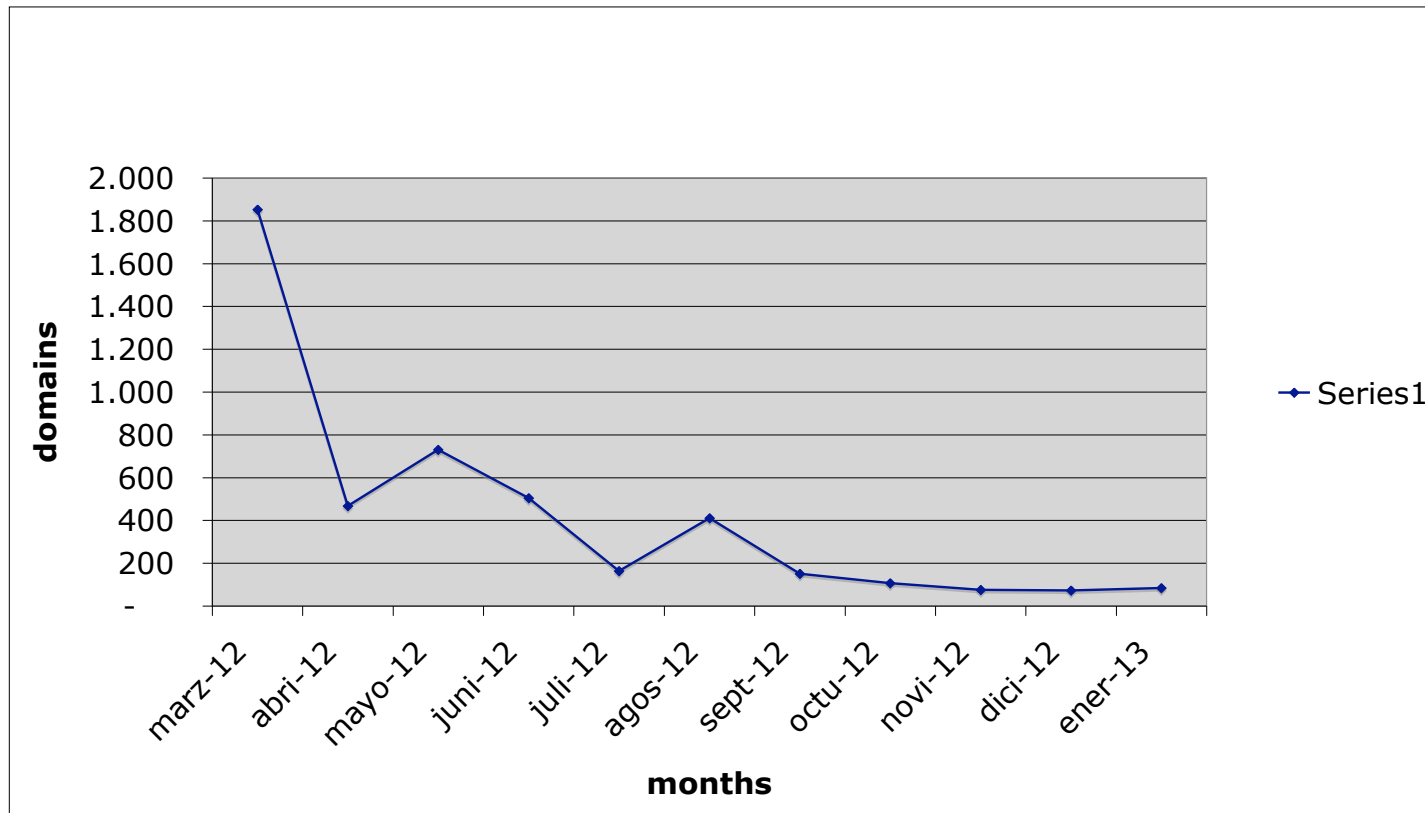# Communication

- First Notice: Notify the opening of the new category and the blocking of the names for the already registered 3rd level domains names.

- Second Notice: Notify the benefits of the new product.

- Third Notice: This one is the re-send of the second.

- Change image of the web site: The creation of a new home page.

- Press conference few days before of the launch for the new service.

Second level registry Roadmap

Second level registry registrations 2008/09

Months	Domains
March	1852
April	468
May	730
June	504
July	164
August	410
September	151
October	107
November	75
December	72
January	84
total	4617

2nd Level Participation

Domain sectors	Quantity	Percentage
.cr (2nd level)	4684	**39%**
.co.cr (commercial)	6144	51%
.or.cr (ONGs)	221	1.8%
.fi.cr (Finantial)	166	1.3%
.ac.cr (Higher Education)	175	1.4%
.go.cr (Gov)	378	3.16%
.ed.cr (Schools)	128	1.07%
.sa.cr (Health)	61	0.51%
TOTAL	**11957**	

Questions?

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