

Resolving domain name disputes outside the courts through WIPO

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WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center: who are we?

- Helping to resolve domain name disputes outside the courts
- WIPO panels experienced in IP, Internet disputes and ADR
- Fixed fees
- International neutrality
- Users around the world

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UDRP

- 1999: WIPO-created international ADR procedure
- For clear-cut cases of trademark abuse ("cybersquatting")
- Administrative process with court options preserved
- Contractually mandated
- Direct enforcement via registrar
- Remedies: transfer or cancellation
- International (gTLDs, new gTLDs, many ccTLDs)

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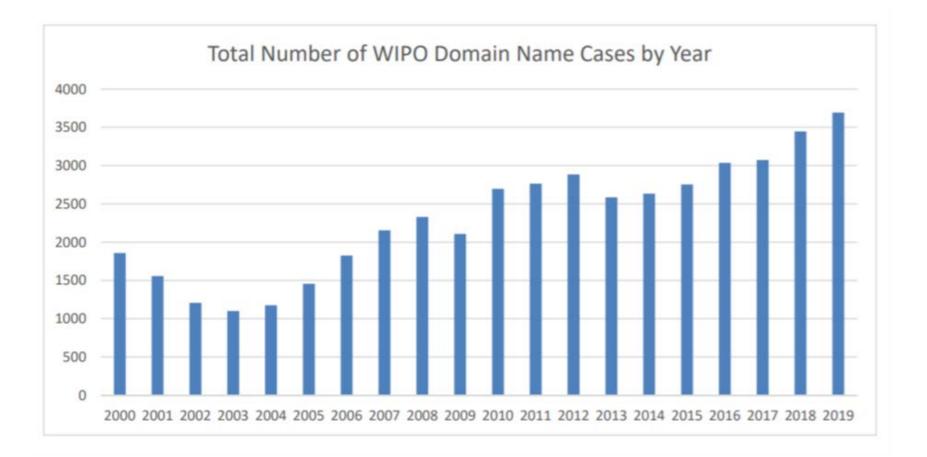
Significantly quicker and cheaper than court litigation

Predictable criteria and results

Decision (transfer) implemented directly by registrar

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WIPO UDRP Case Statistics



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How is a UDRP case decided?

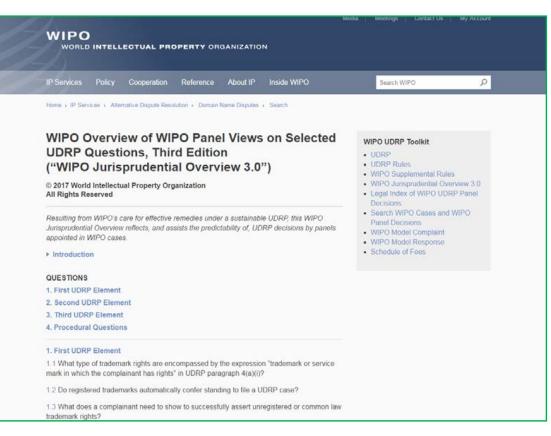
Trademark identical or confusingly similar to the domain name; and

Domain name registrant has no rights or legitimate interests in the domain name; and

Domain name registered and used in bad faith.

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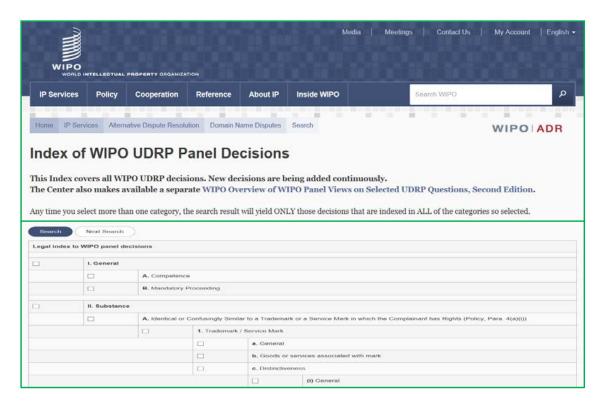
Reflects statements on some 60 substantive and procedural UDRP issues

Draws on the thousands of cases administered by WIPO and decided by WIPO panelists

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- Allows decision research via use of some 260 research key words on substantive and procedural UDRP issues
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WIPO's services for ccTLD registries

Launched in 2000 to assist ccTLD authorities

ccTLD Best Practices

Policies designed to curb abusive and bad faith registration

Minimum standards for IP protection in ccTLDs

Policy Advice

- Registration conditions
- Registration Agreement

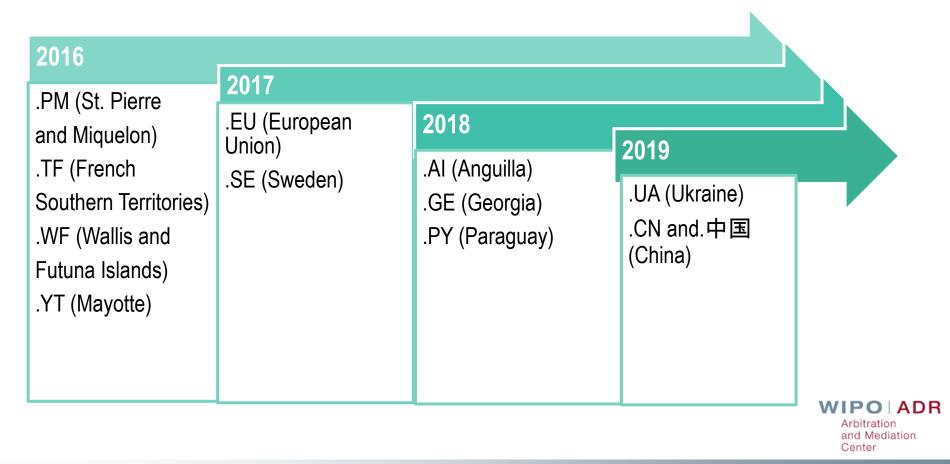
Case administration services

Over 75 ccTLDs use WIPO's dispute resolution services

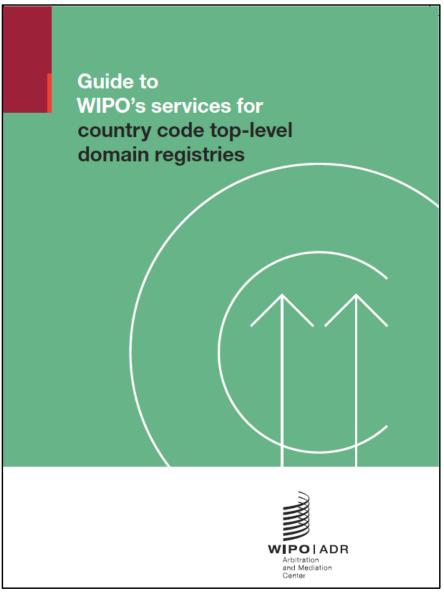
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WIPO ccTLD Progam

Recent ccTLD additions to WIPO's ADR services



Guide to WIPO's services for ccTLD registries



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Ways WIPO can help ccTLD Registry Operators

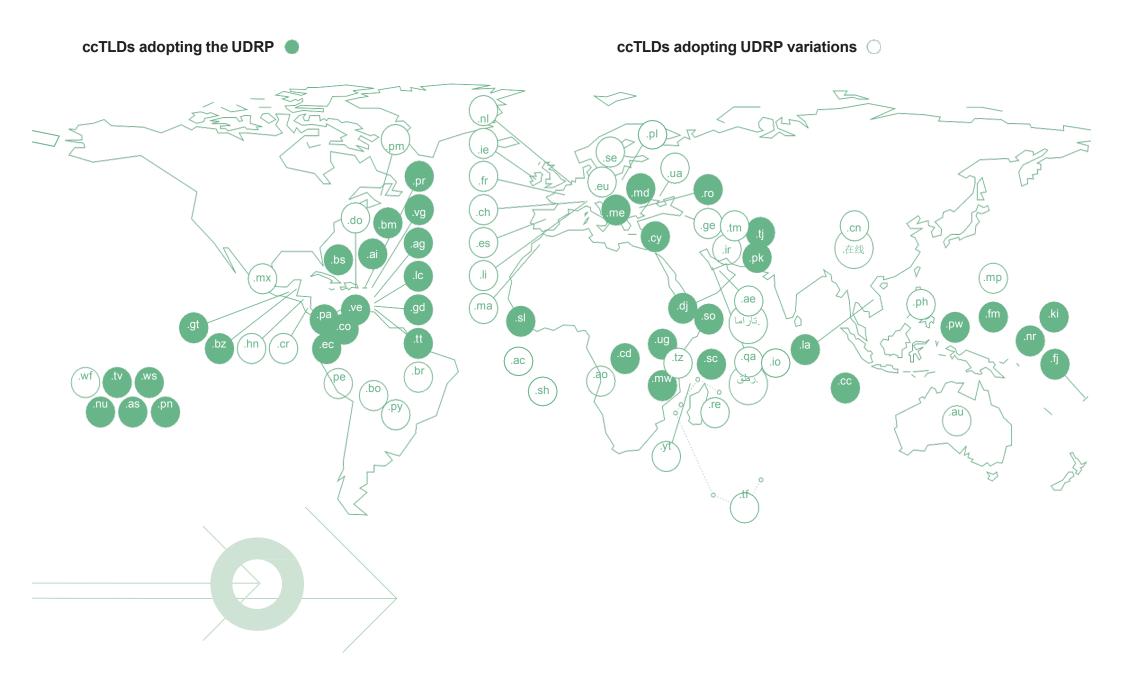
- Leverages WIPO's expertise as the creator of the UDRP as the international Advice on registration terms and conditions
- Free email or phone "help line" and operational assistance
- Advice on new dispute resolution policies
- Case administration of IP-related domain name disputes at no cost to the ccTLD/registry operator
 - Tailoring and updating existing dispute resolution policies

Why choose WIPO?

Outsources IP-related domain name disputes between third parties

- Reduces a need for the ccTLD to devote resources to case administration
- Reduces burdens on national courts
- Leverages WIPO's expertise as the creator of the UDRP as the international model
- Uses WIPO's independence and neutrality as a specialized agency of the United Nations

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WIPO ccTLD web pages

WIPO Domain Name Dispute Resolution Service for .EU	
Country / Territory Code	.EU
Country / Territory Name	European Union
Whois Search	Whois Search
Dispute Resolution Policy	Regulation (EC) No 733/2002
	Regulation (EC) No 874/2004
	Regulation (EC) No 1654/2005
	Regulation (EC) No 1255/2007
	Regulation (EC) No 560/2009
Procedural Rules	Variation of UDRP
	.eu Alternative Dispute Resolution Rules (the "ADR Rules")
	WIPO Supplemental Rules for .eu Alternative Dispute Resolution Rules
	Relevant differences between the UDRP and the ADR Rules
	► Rights covered
	▶ Requirements
	Bad Faith
	Examples of Bad Faith
	Mutual Jurisdiction
	▶ Remedies

Highlights key information for WIPO-serviced ccTLDs

- Registration agreement
- Whols search tools
- Dispute resolution policy and procedural rules
 - Differences between specific ccTLD policy and the UDRP
 - Model case pleadings
 - Prior decision search
 - Supported local language characters

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WIPO ccTLD Database

ccTLD Database

The ccTLD database contains links to the web sites of 252 ccTLDs allowing to determine the availability of a registration agreement, the existence of a WHOIS service and the adoption of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures.

** Please select the country / territory name **

Other resources

- The WIPO ccTLD Best Practices for the Prevention and Resolution of Intellectual Property Disputes provide an overview of practices and policies for ccTLD operations designed to curb abusive and bad faith registration of protected names, and to resolve related disputes.
- The Trademark Database Portal facilitates access to online trademark databases of a number of national and regional intellectual property offices, allowing any person
 wishing to register a domain name to perform a prior trademark search.
- The Center also provides domain name dispute administration services for a number of country code top level domains.

Contains links to the websites of over 250 ccTLDs

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Assists practitioners in determining the applicable registry, registration agreement, WHOIS service, applicable ADR procedure, and any dispute resolute service provider(s)

CSI, Central and Eastern European region

WIPO Center is a provider for 8 CSI, Central and Eastern European ccTLDs :

GE (Georgia)

- .MD (Republic of Moldova)
- .ME (Montenegro)
- .PL (Poland)
- 📕 .RO (Romania)
- .TJ (Tajikistan)
- .TM (Turkmenistan)
- .UA (Ukraine)





.UA and .COM.UA (UKRAINE)

Since 2019

25 cases

■ WIPO Case examples:

- <legotoys.com.ua>
- <googla.com.ua>
- <tiktok.com.ua>



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.GE (GEORGIA)

Since 2018



3 cases

WIPO Case examples

- <carrefour.com.ge>
- <carrefour.ge>

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.ME (MONTENEGRO)

Since 2008

126 cases

WIPO Case examples

- <porsche.me>
- <facebook.me>
- <boehringeringelheim.me>
- <myappleid.me>



.EU (European Union)

Since 2017

82 cases

WIPO Case examples

- <airbnb.eu>
- <kpmg-finance.eu>
- <netaportershop.eu>
- <leasing-allianz.eu>



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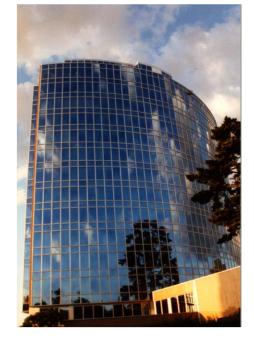
Contact and Further Information

Info on Domain Name Dispute Resolution:

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Thank you!

