

Domain Name Registration and Use Policy for <.VERMÖGENSBERATER>

I. General principles

1. Purpose

The <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> Top Level Domain ("TLD") aims to promote trust in the professional financial advisers community by creating online spaces for financial advisors who are verified members of the Bundesverband Deutscher Vermögensberater e.V., Frankfurt a. Main, Germany. The Eligibility Criteria, which will be applied through a verification process, will enhance the integrity of the <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> TLD and ensure that internet users have the confidence that a <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> registrant is an appropriately-regulated and licensed financial advisor. Registry Operator is committed to operating <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> fairly, transparently, without undue preference and in the best interest of the communities and the consumers they serve.

2. Qualified Registrants

The registration of domain names within the <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> TLD shall be restricted to Financial Advisors who are members of the Bundesverband Deutscher Vermögensberater e.V., Frankfurt a. Main, Germany.

3. Registrant Documentation

As part of the registration process, Applicants will be required to provide certain information to Registry Operator's designated Registrars, to verify their eligibility to register a domain name in .VERMÖGENSBERATER. This information may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- a) Full legal name
- b) Business name:
- c) Business address
- d) Business phone:
- e) Business email:
- f) Proof of identity necessary to establish that the Applicant is a Member of the Bundesverband Deutscher Vermögensberater e.V., Frankfurt a. Main, Germany.

Proof of Business license pursuant to § 34 c, f and i Gewerbeordnung

Registry operator has the right to request updated Proof of identity necessary to establish that the Applicant a Member of the Bundesverband Deutscher Vermögensberater e.V., Frankfurt a. Main, Germany in order to ensure that the registrants are still eligible to use <.VERMÖGENSBERATER>. Such proof must be provided to registry operator's designated Registrars within 14 days.

4. Prohibition Against the Use of Proxy/Privacy Registration Services

Registry Operator is committed to ensuring that <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> is administered in a secure and stable manner and that the Whois data of domain names in <. VERMÖGENSBERATER> is reliable, accurate and up to date. Therefore, Registry Operator expressly prohibits the use of proxy or private domain name registration services in <. VERMÖGENSBERATER> by Applicants and Registrants. Additionally, neither Registrar nor any of its resellers, affiliates, and/or partners shall be permitted to offer proxy or private domain name registration services in <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> which would prevent Registry Operator from having and displaying true and accurate Whois data.

II. Domain Allocation Rules

1. String Requirements

Registry Operator, via Registry Service Provider, will not accept a Registration unless the applied-for Domain Name meets the applicable requirements as defined under the Registry Agreement, Specifications 5 and 6, including the following technical and syntax requirements. The Domain Name Label must:

- if ASCII, consist exclusively of the letters A-Z, the numbers 0-9, and hyphens;
- if non-ASCII (e.g., IDN), consist of language scripts offered by the Registry;
- not exceed 63 characters;
- contain at least one character; and
- not contain hyphens in the third and fourth position, except if they represent valid internationalized domain names in their ASCII encoding, namely where two consecutive hyphens (-) are used in the 3rd and 4th positions, when preceded by "xn" and followed by a label that corresponds with an IDN containing characters referred to above.

2. Reserved Names

Registry Operator may reserve, and not allow the Registration of any labels which appear or are referenced by the Schedule of Reserved Names set forth in Specification 5 of the Registry Agreement.

However, Registry Operator may propose the release of any reservations, in compliance with applicable processes established by or in accordance with ICANN policies or procedures (if applicable).

3. Name Collisions

If any <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> domain name is identified by ICANN as a potential name collision risk, pursuant to the Registry Operator's rights and responsibilities under the Registry Agreement, Specification 6, § 6, the Registry Operator reserves the right to take all necessary and proper steps to resolve the conflict, including the blocking of any affected domain name.

III. Registration Period and Renewals

<.VERMÖGENSBERATER> domain name may be registered, and renewed at the end of each registration period, subject to the current terms and conditions offered by the concerned Registrar.

IV. Acceptable Usage Guidelines

1. Acceptable Use

The <. VERMÖGENSBERATER> space established to enable financial advisors who are verified members of the Bundesverband Deutscher Vermögensberater e.V., Frankfurt a. Main, Registry Operator intends that no domain name in the <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> space shall be used in a manner which:

- infringes any other third parties rights;
- is in breach with any applicable laws, government rules or requirements

or for the purposes of:

- undertaking any illegal or fraudulent actions, including spam or phishing activities, or
- defaming Registry Operator or its businesses, affiliates, brokers, employees, etc.

Registry Operator will routinely monitor the use of all domain names registered in the <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> space to ensure that the content displayed thereon is in accordance with good practices for financial advisors. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions set out in this

Registration and Use Policy may result in the immediate cancellation, transfer, deletion or suspension of a registered <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> domain. The Registry Operator reserves the right to make any necessary changes to a domain name registration in the event of breach of the provisions herein established.

2. Dispute Resolution

The Registry Operator for <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> will comply with all dispute resolution mechanisms as defined in the Registry Agreement Specification 7 article 2, and as revised from time to time by ICANN consensus policies and procedures. Registrants of <.VERMÖGENSBERATER> domain names hereby agree to be bound by all applicable domain name dispute policies, as outlined in this Registration and Use Policy.

These dispute mechanisms include, but are not limited to:

- the Trademark Post-Delegation Dispute Resolution Procedure ("PDDRP");
- the Uniform Rapid Suspension system ("URS"); and
- the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy ("UDRP").