

ACTIVITY REPORT
of the Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies
and Infrastructure Development (FAITID) in 2012



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INTRODUCTION

This Report contains information on the activities of the Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies and Infrastructure Development in 2012. The Report is publicly available for reviewing without any restriction.

The Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies and Infrastructure Development is a public organization that takes consistent efforts focused on Russian and international initiatives to increase the use of the Internet for the benefit of Russian and global community; furthermore, FAITID undertakes expert reviews in the field of infrastructure projects and provides informational and organizational support for such projects.



KEY ACTIVITIES IN 2012

Implementation of the .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA Top Level Domains (TLDs) Project

Pre-launching activities of .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs for the Russian capital remained a key area of the Foundation's business operations in 2012. They are carried out as part of New gTLD Program announced by ICANN which manages the Internet address space allocation. There were multiple project work areas in this regard.

The Foundation [applied to ICANN for new .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs](#) on April 12, 2012. Pursuant to the New gTLD Program, applications for Cyrillic and Latin scripted domains will be reviewed separately. To this end, the Foundation paid to ICANN two fees (the first one for the .MOSCOW domain and the second for .MOCKBA domain) of \$185,000 each. The applications for the above domains contain technical, organizational and financial details of their operation, in particular a preliminary launch plan. Prior to the launch of the General Availability period, a part of the .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA domains are scheduled for reservation and allocation to the government. In addition, the Sunrise period for trademark owners is planned to be held. Legal entities registered in Moscow that own means of individualization will get priority thereafter. Upon the Sunrise period completion, the Landrush phase for the .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA domains will set in.

The Foundation representatives took part in the [Prioritization Draw to assign priority numbers to New gTLD applications](#) on December 17, 2012, in Los Angeles. Following the event, a list of applications was created determining the order for their evaluation by ICANN. According to the Draw, number 69 was assigned to the .MOCKBA domain application and number 881, to the .MOSCOW domain.

Throughout 2012, the Foundation has been developing a set of documents regulating the launch and operational procedures for the .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA TLDs. [Consultancy support in the development of documents is provided by Sedari](#). In 2012, the Foundation held several working meetings with Sedari to discuss work progress and the document amending procedure.

There is an ongoing cooperation with the JSC International Network Technical Centre (INTC), general engineering contractor of the Foundation. INTC will act as .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA Registry Operator. In this regard the development of a technical platform for TLDs maintenance is under way.

Programs for .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA TLDs marketing support in domestic and foreign markets are being implemented.

Relations with Government Bodies, Professional Associations and Non-Government Organizations

In 2012, the Foundation set forth the initiatives and took an active part in the discussion and expert review of the bills (including in technical aspects) with regard to the Russian Internet segment regulation.

Safer Internet Forum 2012

Dmitry Burkov, the Chairman of the Board of the Foundation, [took part in the 3d annual Safer Internet Forum](#) on February 7, 2012. He prepared in this regard a review on the evolution of international initiatives in the government regulation of the Internet. In his presentation he outlined the sources for legislative initiatives, SOPA and PIPA, which aroused most heated debates.

Extended Session of the Ministry of Communications and Mass Communications of the Russian Federation

The Foundation Board members [took part in an extended session of the Ministry of Communications and Mass Communications of the Russian Federation](#) to discuss the recent legislative initiatives with regard to Internet regulation. The

Foundation officers expressed their expert opinions on the content and methods of technical implementation of the bills. Among other initiatives were the options for the use of .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA and .ДЕТИ TLDs to create educational and awareness resources.

Session of the Public Chamber of the Russian Federation to Address Momentous Issues of the Internet for Children and Youth

Foundation officers [took part in a meeting of the Public Chamber of Russia](#) on the momentous issues of the Internet for children and youth. The attendees addressed the involvement of non-government and non-profit organizations in government and private educational initiatives. The annual All-Russia's Positive Content Contest geared toward designing websites for children, teenagers and youth was also held, with the Foundation acting as its organizational partner.

Participation in the Activities of the RAEC Committee of Hosting Providers and Registrars

Throughout the whole year of 2012, the Foundation's Executive Director, Matvey Alekseev, served as Chairman of the Committee of Hosting Providers and Registrars of the Russian Association for Electronic Communications (RAEC). The following joint meetings were held with the Foundation's active organizational and informational support:

- Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Russian Olympic Committee to Elaborate Measures for Copyright Protection of Olympic Symbols
Following the meeting, the parties entered into an agreement, which sets forth the mechanism of coordinated action and detection of web resources using the Olympic symbols illegally for their own purposes.
- Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Federal Drug Control Service
The meeting was dedicated to the development of mechanisms of coordinated action between the Federal Service and the Internet industry

representatives in combating the spread of illegal information containing directions and calls for using drugs and purchase offers.

- **Joint Meeting with the Representatives of the Safe Internet League, NGO**
The meeting was dedicated to the discussion of proposed amendments to Federal Law No. 139 on Protecting Children against Information Harmful to Their Health and Development. In the course of the discussion, the parties communicated their suggestions as to amendments and decided to set up an expert working group comprising representatives of Internet companies. The Group will evaluate the possibility of the technical implementation of the bill requirements and participate in its optimization.



- **Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Foundation for Internet Development (FID)**
The meeting was dedicated to discussing the .SU Domain Names Registration Policy. Sergey Ovcharenko, FID Deputy Director, made a report, where he outlined that the .SU Domain Names Registration Policy remained unchanged over the past few years, and that a new version of the

Policy ensuring better compliance with the applicable Russian law is now available. Following the discussions, the new version of the Policy was returned for improvement. The attendees agreed to cooperate in preparing recommendations for the Policy and ensure a comprehensive expert appraisal of the proposed document by registrars and non-government organizations.

- Visiting Session of the Committee at the 20th National Hosting Provider Forum “HostObzor (Host Review): Autumn 2012”

The members of the Committee jointly with representatives of hosting providers and registrars traditionally attending the Forum, discussed initial results of registry operation of the websites containing the information harmful to children’s health and development. As a follow-up, next meeting was scheduled to be held together with the representatives of Roskomnadzor (Federal Service for Supervision in the Sphere of Telecom, Information Technologies and Mass Communications) to present recommendations for the elaboration of effective interaction mechanisms between this Service, Registry Operator and hosting providers.



Russian Industry Events, Public Awareness about the Foundation and Its Projects

In 2012, the Foundation officers took an active part in industry and press events as experts on all the most urgent issues of the Russian Internet segment, industry-specific legislation and technical, economic and social matters.

As part of this activity, the reports on .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA TLDs implementation projects for the Russia's capital have been made. The reports outlined the prospective use of these domains for digital representation of the Moscow city and the ways such representation can be applied in public education, health and tourism.

The Foundation speakers took part in the following industry events:

- [Press Conference “Domain Space Management Strategy”](#) (January 2012)
- [12th Inter-Industry Forum on Intellectual Property](#) (March 2012)
- [Infospace Forum](#) (March 2012)
- [RIF+CIB 2012 Conference](#) (April 2012)
- [St. Petersburg Internet Conference](#) (May 2012)
- [All-Russia's E-government Conference](#) (May 2012)
- [19th Conference of Representatives of Regional Electronic Academic and Research Networks “RELARN-2012”](#) (June 2012)
- [International Conference of the Russian Association for Networks and Services](#) (September 2012)
- [Russian Internet Week \(RIW 2012\)](#) (October 2012)
- [Info-Communication Convergence Conference](#) (November 2012)
- [3d Congress of Russian Non-Profit Organizations](#) (November 2012)
- [Conference “Results of the Year. Runet 2012: Crucial Moment”](#) (December 2012)

Furthermore, the Foundation initiated holding [Festival of Moscow Sister Cities and Moscow Partner Cities Domains](#), in which contests and educational

quizzes were organized for the capital city dwellers to increase their awareness about the forthcoming launching of .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs.

In November 2012, the Foundation was included [in the “.PФ and etc.” shortlist](#) for the .MOSCOW and .MOCKBA TLDs Implementation Project within Runet Awards 2012, National Prize for the contribution into Russian Internet development.



International Activities

In 2012, the Foundation officers were involved in a number of international industry events dedicated to the development of information technology and address space security and stability. Furthermore, the Foundation supported a number of international initiatives by organizing their extensive discussion in Russia and within the industry. The Foundation representatives became members of the governing bodies of some international organizations.

CeBIT High-Tech Exhibition

In March 2012, Dmitry Burkov, Chairman of the Foundation Board, [took part in the annual CeBIT high-tech exhibition](#) held in Hannover, where the Moscow City Government presented its stand to demonstrate the innovations in city information technologies and telecommunications infrastructure of the Russia's capital. Furthermore, .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs were exhibited as one of the projects aimed at creation of a convenient and publicly available city infocomm environment. Dmitry Burkov made an overview about these TLDs and took part in a number of open discussions on city TLDs.

Participation in International ICANN Conferences

The Foundation [sponsored the International Conference ICANN 43 held in Costa Rica](#) from March 11 to 16, 2012. From October 14 to 18, 2012, the Foundation's representatives [became delegates to ICANN 45 meeting](#) in Toronto. The Foundation representatives attended various events dedicated to the New gTLD Program and the global domain space development.

Eurasia Network Operators' Group Meeting (ENOG 4)

From October 23 to 24, 2012, [the 4th Eurasia Network Operators' Group \(ENOG\) Meeting](#), an international event to address technological and organizational Internet aspects, was held in Moscow. Dmitry Burkov, Chairman of the Foundation Board, and Vassily Dolmatov, a Foundation Board member,

attended the meeting. They set forth the key legislative initiatives oriented at counteracting the spread of unlawful content, intellectual property rights violation on the Internet and OpenFlow data processing control technology for data transmitted over computer networks.

Internet Governance Forum

Dmitry Burkov, Chairman of the Foundation Board, spoke at the Internet Governance Forum IGF 2012 held in Baku from November 6 to 9. Dmitry Burkov told about the key Internet governance trends, which can be observed in different countries for the present moment, and further discussed with the attendees the possibilities and effects of blocking unlawful content using DNS.

Re-election of D. Burkov to the RIPE NCC Executive Board of Directors

Dmitry Burkov, Chairman of the Foundation Board, [has been elected](#) to a third term as member of the Executive Board of Directors of the Coordination Centre of Internet Resources Allocation in the European Region (Reseaux IP Europeens, RIPE NCC). Elections were held at the 64th RIPE Meeting that took place from April 16 to 20 in Ljubljana. Members of the RIPE NCC Executive Board of Directors discharge their functions on a voluntary basis. Besides addressing current issues, in his next term Dmitry Burkov will focus on fostering a closer cooperation between RIPE NCC and ICANN and other international organizations.

Establishing ISOC Russia Chapter

Dmitry Burkov, Chairman of the Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies and Infrastructure Development, [has become one of the founders of the Russian Chapter of the Internet Society](#) (ISOC). Earlier, during the ICANN's 43rd International Meeting in Toronto, the Foundation President, Aleksandr Panov, handed to ISOC representatives an invitation to set up a Russian Chapter. The ISOC Russian Chapter will engage in supporting private and public initiatives

related to the Internet infrastructure development, education and scientific research, harmonization of relations between all participants to ensure free and unrestricted access to the Internet.

FOUNDATION'S EDUCATIONAL AND AWARENESS PROJECTS. PARTICIPATION IN EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

All-Russia's Youth Forum "Seliger 2012"

As part of the Forum, Matvey Alekseev, Executive Director of the Foundation, [gave a series of lectures](#) about the current Internet structure and principles for a total of 60 lecture hours. In his lectures he told about Global Network infrastructure, operating principles for different services, the content formation and peculiarities of legal relationships between different subjects.

The Far East Educational Youth Forum "SahaSeliger 2012"

Representatives of the Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies and Infrastructure Development took part in the [Forum "SahaSeliger 2012"](#) held in the locality of Us Khatyn at the initiative of Yegor Borisov, President of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia). During the event, the Foundation representatives spoke about cultural and linguistic domains and presented to the participants the .MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs project draft.

All-Russia's Website Contest for Children and Youth "Positive Content 2012"

In 2012, the Foundation became an organizational and informational partner of the Positive Content Contest (www.positivecontent.ru). Safe educational and awareness websites for children, teenagers and youth can present themselves as part of this contest.



All-Russia's Living in a Globalized World Children Drawing Contest

The Foundation has become a partner of the Living in a Globalized World Children Drawing Contest (2011-2012). The contest is oriented at promoting children's artistry, creative representation of the world, developing children's interest in geography and geographical maps, special attention to environmental issues, protection and careful treatment of nature.

Elaboration of Interactive Communications Course Curriculum

The Foundation was engaged in the educational project administered by the Moscow Institute of Steel and Alloys and the Development of Interactive Communications Educational Center as an informative and organizational partner. As a result, a special course providing the basics of the Internet infrastructure, online project management, and statutory and marketing peculiarities on the Internet has been elaborated.

PLANS FOR 2013-2015

.MOSCOW/.MOCKBA TLDs Implementation Project

The.MOCKBA top level domain is scheduled to be delegated in 2013 and .MOSCOW TLD, in 2014. The Foundation for Assistance for Internet Technologies and Infrastructure Development will complete the creation of technical infrastructure and prepare a package of documents required to start the domain name registration in new TLDs. The phases of Sunrise registration and domain name reservation for government bodies and the Foundation projects are planned for 2013-2014.

Promotion of New Top Level Domains and Geodomains

Foundation will carry out extensive public awareness and educational activity focused on promoting and informing about the Russian capital domains and geodomains: industry and press events, policy-making activity in relation to government bodies and potential domain name buyers.

Further Development of Educational Projects

The Foundation is planning to provide informational, organizational and expert support to educational projects and work towards the development of educational institutions offering basic Internet literacy programs.

Collaboration with Government Bodies and Technical Review

The Foundation experts will continue collaborating with government bodies in examining Internet regulation bills. Such collaboration will involve the legislative and executive government branches at all levels, the experts acting both independently and as members of public industry associations.