

Swiss Confederation

CH-3003 Bern FDF

To whom it may concern

Berne, 3 April 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

The Swiss Federal Council has mandated the Federal Department of the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications to file an application for ".swiss" in ICANN's New gTLD program.

The Federal Council believes that the gTLD ".swiss" should be used to promote Swiss economic, social and cultural activities in the virtual world and therefore be placed at the disposal of the Swiss community. The President of the Swiss Confederation therefore fully supports this application and is sending you this letter to endorse it.

The Swiss Confederation understands that in the event of this application being successful, the Federal Department of the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications as its representative will be required to enter into a Registry Agreement with ICANN.

Should additional information concerning the application or this letter of endorsement be necessary, please contact Mr. Walter Thurnherr, Secretary General, Federal Department of the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications at the following address:

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We thank you in advance for the efficient processing of this application.

Yours faithfully

Eveline Widmer-Schlumpf