



## **HEXONET Support GmbH, First to Standardize Global ccTLDs Through EPP**

**Homburg (Germany), 2008-10-30**

The Extensible Provisioning Protocol (EPP), created in 2004 by the Provisioning Registry Workgroup (provreg) and the IETF, was built as a robust and an extensible standard for the handling and registration of domains between Registries and Registrars. Since the introduction of the protocol, EPP has gained industry-wide acceptance and is the dominant and preferred way Registrars connect with the various Registries. EPP has essentially made integrating with a Registry easy and cost-effective. This wasn't the case when Registries had their own proprietary protocols.

Though gTLD Registries (general Top Level Domains) are EPP compliant, ccTLD Registries (country code Top Level Domains), on the other hand, still use proprietary protocols. As a result, many Registrars forgo selling ccTLDs since the cost and investment is too high. Many Registrars have long awaited for EPP to come to the ccTLD side of the industry.

HEXONET Support GmbH is proud to announce the first EPP Platform strictly according to EPP 1.0 (RFC 4930-4933) which integrates popular non-EPP ccTLDs under a united and compliant solution. This service, according to Jens Wagner (CEO of HEXONET), „is exactly what Registrars need, since Registrars today can rarely afford to go through the arduous and cost-prohibitive accreditation/implementation process across separate Registry protocols. HEXONET has done all the heavy lifting so any Registrar can offer more ccTLDs through a standard EPP 1.0 interface, even if the respective ccTLD Registry doesn't support EPP.”

The EPP Platform from HEXONET is available to Registrars in two flavors: Reseller System and Registrar Operations Center (RegistrarOC). Most resellers will want to connect and manage TLDs through HEXONET's reseller platform, which includes a wide variety of gTLDs and ccTLDs, including the new EPP Platform. For more advanced Registrars and resellers with their own accreditations, RegistrarOC, HEXONET's turnkey

Registrar Platform, simply requires the credentials and can deliver end-to-end Registrar services out the box, all in EPP 1.0 format.

For more information on the EPP Platform, or managing your own TLD Accreditation through RegistrarOC, please contact us at [epp@hexonet.net](mailto:epp@hexonet.net).

Please also visit our EPP Online Demo under <http://www.hexonet.net/epp.php>.

#### About HEXONET:

HEXONET Support GmbH, with more than 6000 resellers from 100 different countries, is one of Europe's leading domain management companies. Through HEXONET, resellers can get access to domain registration services along with support and additional Internet services like web hosting, SSL certificates and dedicated servers.

Founded: 1999 | Company Headquarters: Homburg, Germany

Web: <http://www.hexonet.net>

Press Contact: Dennis Nizard ([dnizard@hexonet.net](mailto:dnizard@hexonet.net))