

Domain Name Law and Practice

20 March 2005	Russian Federation	Part II: The ccTLD (“.ru”) Registration Conditions and Procedures
	Type of update: Termination of Registrar Duties by RosNIIROS (RIPN)	
	<p>From 1 January 2005 RosNIIROS (RIPN) is no longer the “.ru” Second Level Domain Names Registrar. RU-CENTER is the successor to the responsibilities of RIPN that relate to domain name registration issues.</p> <p>RIPN remains the “.ru” Registry Operator and provides technical support relating to domain name registration systems and name servers for “.ru” ccTLDs and registrar services concerning “.org.ru”, “.net.ru”, “.pp.ru”, and “.com.ru” third level domain name registration and maintenance. All the second level domain name “.ru” registration agreements between RIPN and persons or entities were terminated on 1 January 2005.</p> <p>It is no longer possible to extend registration terms of the domain names sponsored by RIPN after the termination of the second level domain name “.ru” registration agreements. All domain names registered before 1 January 2005 will be supported by RIPN till the expiration date. To maintain and renew the domain name registrations it is necessary to transfer the domain sponsorships to another active registrar. The list of accredited registrars (in Russian) is available at: http://www.cctld.ru/ru/regdom/reglist.shtml.</p> <p>The autonomous non-commercial organisation “Regional Network Information Centre” (RU-CENTER) has taken over the responsibilities of RIPN that relate to domain name registration issues. RU-CENTER is the accredited registrar for the “.ru”, “.su”, “.net.ru”, “.com.ru”, “.org.ru”, “.biz.ru” and “.info.ru” TLDs.</p>	