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.TW To Launch English Second Level Domain Name

WASHINGTON, D.C. – NeuLevel and Taiwan Network Information Center (TWNIC) announced today that the .TW country code will provide English second level domain name registration services starting November 1. Currently, third-level .TW domains are only offered.

NeuLevel – the operator of the .BIZ Internet domain – is the exclusive worldwide Registry gateway for .TW outside of Taiwan. TWNIC is responsible for administering and managing the .TW domain, and oversees all .TW domain name registration services to registrars and resellers in Taiwan.

“Providing a locally recognized domain name extension will enable the global business community to effectively communicate and engage in Taiwan’s rapidly growing business and consumer market,” said Reza Jafari Managing Director, International for NeuStar.

Second-level space for .TW domain name registrations removes attribute tags such as .com and .org to provide registration needs to individuals, companies, products and services.

.TW is open to international businesses, organizations and individuals. Businesses are not required to have a presence in Taiwan, contacts or associations with Taiwan or Taiwanese name servers.

Taiwan’s e-readiness was rated 22 in the world in 2005 by the Economist Intelligence Unit and Institute for Business Value of IBM.

About NeuLevel

NeuLevel, Inc. is a joint venture between NeuStar, Inc. and Melbourne IT, Ltd. Since 2001, NeuLevel has operated the registry for .BIZ, the Internet's only global top-level domain (gTLD) dedicated exclusively to business activity. NeuLevel was named .BIZ administrator after being selected by ICANN from among 40 competitors in a worldwide procurement. NeuLevel is also the exclusive Registry gateway operator for the .CN and .TW country code top-level domains (ccTLDs) to registrars outside of China and Taiwan, respectively.

NeuLevel's parent company, NeuStar, Inc., is a neutral third party provider of mission-critical addressing, interoperability and infrastructure services to telecommunication providers in North America and Internet providers worldwide. NeuStar is the Registry operator for .US, the official ccTLD for the United States.

About TWNIC

Taiwan Network Information Center is a non-profit organization that is established and registered jointly by the donations from Computer Society of the ROC (CSROC) and Directorate-General of Telecommunication (DGT) on Dec. 29th 1999. Center's main services include: IP address allocation in Taiwan and .tw domain name registration management, participate in various international Internet and related activities, provides complete network services in Taiwan and actively participate in all kinds of Internet infrastructure constructions. To know more, please visit www.twnic.net.tw