# Rules for the election of the representatives of Registrars within the Steering Committee of the Registro .it

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The Registro .it is administered by the Institute of Informatics and Telematics of the CNR (IIT) on the basis of appropriate delegation issued in 1987 by the IANA / ICANN (http://www.iana.org), formalized in a separate written agreement.

The Registrar is an organization accredited by the Registro .it and as such can manage in person and through its organization, services of registration and maintenance of domain names in the ccTLD .it in synchronous mode to the conditions set out in this agreement and in accordance with Regulations of the ccTLD .it.

The system of assigning domain names on the Internet is configured on the basis of international technical protocols needed to maintain balance and functionality of the system.

The Registro it relies on the Steering Committee (hereafter CIR), previously referred to as Rules Committee, since 2004, in an advisory capacity, for the preparation of the rules concerning the operation of the Registry. Four (4) representatives of the Registrars, indicated by the most representative organizations, are part of CIR. There are, on the date of publication of this Regulation, about 1,300 contracts held by Registrars.

It is necessary to ensure the widest participation and opportunity to represent all Registrars, in accordance with the procedures adopted by major international organizations such as RIPE-NCC, CENTR, ICANN, and in some ccTLD registries.

For all of the above, the Registro .it issues the following regulations for the election of four (4) representatives of the Registrars as regards the CIR of Registro .it.

## Art. 1 Election eligibility

All Registrar organizations which, at the date of the election procedure of Representatives, hold a contract signed directly between the .it Registry and the Registrar and have passed the technical accreditation procedure, can take part in elections.

## Art. 2 Mechanism for election Registrar representatives

In order to allow the election of the representatives of the Registrars within the CIR, the Registro .it provides a technological platform for automated voting. The procedures and conditions are set out below.

The Registro .it activates the mechanism of election by officially opening the period dedicated to the receipt of applications, with expressed communication addressed to all Registrars and on the RAIN-NG portal (https://rain-ng.nic.it).

The period of "candidacy" has a term of 15 (fifteen) days.

Preliminarily, the Registrar must authenticate on the RAIN-NG portal and access the section "Election of CIR Representatives" in order to create two users: a user with the role of "candidate" and a user with the role of "voter".

Both the "candidate" and "voter" must belong to the Registrar organization.

The candidate must indicate the main objectives of his/her candidacy. He/she must also attach a CV that describes the skills and experiences in the field and must also grant consent to the publication of personal data and information that will be announced to the Registrars participating in the voting procedure, through publication on the RAIN-NG (https://rain-ng.nic.it). The CV must not contain sensitive or judicial data.

#### ENDORSEMENT PHASE

After the nomination period, the Registry publishes on the public portal RAIN-NG (https://rain-ng.nic.it) the list of Registrar candidates who are standing for election and subsequently opens a period of "**endorsement**", which lasts 10 (ten) days, with the following rules:

- The Registrar authenticates on the RAIN-NG portal (<a href="https://rain-ng.nic.it">https://rain-ng.nic.it</a>) as a "voter":
- The Registrar accesses the "Election of CIR Representatives" section and displays the candidates that are standing for election and the information made available;
- Each Registrar voter can express a maximum of 5 (five) *endorsements* to support candidates who intend to bring to the final election stage. The *endorsements* will be published anonymously.

Each candidate can receive only a single "endorsement" from each Registrar; the system does not allow a Registrar to give more endorsements to the same candidate. The Registrar voter cannot give endorsement to its own candidate.

When the period of endorsement is finished, the registry publishes in the "Election of CIR Representatives" section of the RAIN-NG portal, the list of candidates ordered, in a decreasing number of endorsements received, duly anonymized.

The 10 candidates who have received the greatest number of endorsements, will be considered eligible. These candidates, and their curricula, will be published on the RAIN-NG (<a href="https://rain-ng.nic.it">https://rain-ng.nic.it</a>) portal, in the "Election of CIR Representatives" section.

# **Art. 3 Voting procedures**

The final vote takes place online, via the electronic platform made available to the Registrars by the Registro .it.

The procedure of final vote takes place, following the completion of the procedure of endorsement, on a day set by the Registro .it. It starts at 9:00 am (local time) and ends at 19 (local time) the same day.

Each Registrar may cast only one (1) vote. The user having the role of "voter" makes the vote on behalf of his Registrar.

## Art. 4. Process of vote counting

When the period of the final vote is finished, the electronic voting system automatically performs the count and publishes in the "Election of CIR Representatives" the list of candidates, ranked according to decreasing number of votes received.

## Art. 5. Registrar representatives elected and appointed in the CIR

The first 4 (four) representatives of Registrars who obtained the highest number of votes are elected.

They are nominated in the CIR by decision of the Director of the Institute for Informatics and Telematics of the CNR.

The vote is valid regardless of the number of voters and Registrar candidates. If there is a tie vote between two or more elected candidates the youngest prevails.

In the case of any resignation by one of the elected candidates, the first non-elected candidate on the list will replace the person who has stood down, continuing if necessary until completion of the list.