General Terms and Conditions
for the registration and maintenance of
.stockholm Domain Names

These General Terms and Conditions set out the terms for the use of .stockholm Domain Names and must be fully incorporated in any agreement between a Registrar and Registrant for the registration or renewal of a .stockholm Domain Name.

The .stockholm TLD is a geographical top level domain for the exclusive use of The City Of Stockholm. Domain Names may only be registered under the gTLD .stockholm by a limited group of registrants within The City of Stockholm and moreover, are subject to special conditions of use.

The operation of .stockholm requires and is based upon fair and transparent guidelines for the issuing of Domain Names under .stockholm. These take account of the requirements to permit the operation and management of the gTLD .stockholm as specified by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), by the corresponding contract with ICANN as well as by the various interest groups (multi-stakeholder approach).

1 The Policies

By applying to register or renew a Domain Name in the .stockholm Top Level Domain Registry (hereinafter referred to as an "Application") or by registering one or more Domain Name(s), the Registrant agree and acknowledge that in addition to these General Terms and Conditions the Domain Name(s) will be subject to the following Policies:

a. the Registry Policies (as amended from time to time):
(i) Nexus Policy,
(ii) Acceptable Use Policy,
(iii) Privacy Policy,
(iv) WHOIS Policy
(v) Sunrise Dispute Resolution Policy;
(vi) any Complaint Resolution Service Policy; and
any other policy or policies as may be released by the Registry;

b. the ICANN Policies that apply from time to time to the .stockholm Top Level Domain Registry, including:
(i) the UDRP, and
(ii) the URS

Copies of the Registry Policies are available on the Registry's website at www.nic.stockholm. The Registry Policies may be changed by the Registry on reasonable notice provided on the Registry's website at www.nic.stockholm.

The ICANN Policies that apply from time to time and the procedures and circumstances in which they may be changed are to be found on the ICANN website at www.icann.org.

2   Stockholm Nexus

Subject to the Registry Policies, Domain Names are available to Operations controlled by The City of Stockholm administration, Companies owned by the municipality.

Second-level Domain Name applications will be handled on a first come⁄first serve basis.

It is permissible to set up subdomains (third-level domains) beneath registered second-level domains. It is not permissible to provide third-level Domain Name registrations to independent third parties (parties other than the registrant).

3   Term

The registration of the Domain Name shall continue for the term specified in the accepted Application (the "Term"), subject to suspension or termination pursuant to these General Terms and Conditions or the Registry Policies.

Domain Name Registrations may be made for an annual term of between one (1) and ten (10) years.

4   Renewal Process

A renewal reminder will be sent by the registrar to the registered billing handle information by e-mail three months prior to the expiration date, with additional reminders according to the registrar's routine.

Domain Name registration data need to be reviewed and approved by the billed municipal entity in connection with the renewal, to ensure that the domain's purpose and use remain the same.

All renewed second-level Domain Names are sent to The City of Stockholm Executive Office for information. In the event of non-payment one month after the expiry date, an e-mail is sent to The City of Stockholm Executive Office for verification of removal of the second-level Domain Name.

5   Registration Fee

The Registrant shall pay to the Registrar the appropriate registration fee ("Registration Fee") applicable at the time that the Registrant submit its Application to the Registrar.

6   Assignment

As a general principle, Domain Names can be transferred to other registrants provided they are authorised entities. Registrants taking over a Domain Name must themselves comply with all of the requirements in these General Terms and Conditions.

If the registration of a Domain Name is subject to a special award process, transferring it to another registrar may also be subject to special conditions.

7   Breach of obligations, termination and suspension

The City of Stockholm can terminate a Domain Name at any time. The second-level domain registration fee cannot be refunded. The termination shall be sent in writing to the registrar. Terminated second-level domains are notified to The City of Stockholm Executive Office.

Deregistration or blockage of a second-level domain can also take place in the event of breach of these Terms and Conditions including the Policies, including if a registrant does no longer fulfil the criteria to submit an Application.

In addition, The City of Stockholm Executive Office may conduct audits of selected registered domains to ensure compliance with these regulations.

8   Governing Law/Forum Selection

These Terms and Conditions shall be exclusively governed by Swedish law.

Any controversy, claims or disputes in which the Registry is a party and that arise out of or otherwise relate to these General Terms and Conditions or any Registry Policy shall be settled by Swedish courts, with the District Court of Stockholm as the court of first instance.