



## APNIC EC Call for Comments on National Internet Registry Application

**Tuesday, 27 October 2009:** The National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) has lodged an application for recognition as a National Internet Registry (NIR). If recognized as an NIR, NIXI would be able to offer Internet Protocol (IP) address allocation and other APNIC services at a national level in India.

India is one of the fastest growing economies in the Asia Pacific region. More than 19 million addresses are already allocated to APNIC Members in India.

The Executive Council of the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC EC) is responsible for evaluating and approving the application.

Before it can approve the application, the APNIC EC must be satisfied NIXI meets the "Criteria for the recognition of NIRs in the APNIC region" as set out in the policy available at <http://www.apnic.net/policy/nir-criteria>.

### These criteria require NIXI to:

- Demonstrate formal endorsement at the national level by the appropriate Government body,
- Be an independent legal entity with a non-profit structure,
- Demonstrate a stable funding model,
- Demonstrate it holds a neutral position,
- Have the organizational and technical capacity to implement APNIC address management policies.

In the interests of openness and transparency, the APNIC EC requests public review of the NIXI application and has issued a Call for Comments to gauge community support.

The APNIC EC encourages all stakeholders in the Internet community to forward comments either publicly or confidentially using one of the mechanisms below.

### Confidential comments may be:

- Emailed to the Executive Secretary of the EC at [exec-sec@apnic.net](mailto:exec-sec@apnic.net)
- Submitted via the web form at [http://www.apnic.net/NIR\\_Comments](http://www.apnic.net/NIR_Comments)

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Comments may also be made publicly and discussed on the "apnic-talk" mailing list. More information on the list is available at:

<http://www.apnic.net/mailling-lists>

The APNIC EC will accept comments until 17:30 (UTC+10) on 30 November 2009.

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### **Press Resources**

A backgrounder and details of the application are available at <http://www.apnic.net/nir>

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