II. EWG Mandate, Purpose, and Outputs

b. Purpose

To help guide the EWG in its deliberations, the group developed a high-level statement of purpose from which to test its conclusions and recommendations, as follows:

In support of ICANN's mission to coordinate the global Internet's system of unique identifiers, and to ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier system, information about gTLD domain names is necessary to promote trust and confidence in the Internet for all stakeholders.

Accordingly, it is desirable to design a system to support domain name registration and maintenance which:

- Provides appropriate access to accurate, reliable, and uniform registration data
- Protects the privacy of personal information
- Enables a reliable mechanism for identifying, establishing and maintaining the ability to contact Registrants
- Supports a framework to address issues involving Registrants, including but not limited to: consumer protection, investigation of cybercrime, and intellectual property protection
- Provides an infrastructure to address appropriate law enforcement needs
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