

## Introduction



- Foundation date
  - June 29, 1999 : Established KRNIC
  - July 30, 2004 : KRNIC became NIDA

('National Internet Development Agency of Korea')

- ☐ Location : Seoul, Korea
- □ Number of Employees : 87 Employees
- ☐ Role of NIDA:
  - establishes stable framework for managing the Internet address resources
  - promotes international cooperation and comprehensive policies for development of the Internet in Korea.

# .kr History



3<sup>rd</sup> level .kr(i.e. nida.or.kr)
Third level .kr started in 1986

한글(IDN).kr

Internationalized domain name (IDN).kr service started on 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2003.

nida.kr

Second level domain name(Brand Name : Quickdom) launched on 18<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2006.

한글.한글

IDN TLD in progress.

## Role of NIDA



**Cooperation with Internet-related international organizations** 

**R& D of Internet-related subjects** 

**Release Internet-related Statistics** 

**Technical Support** 

**Policy Development** 

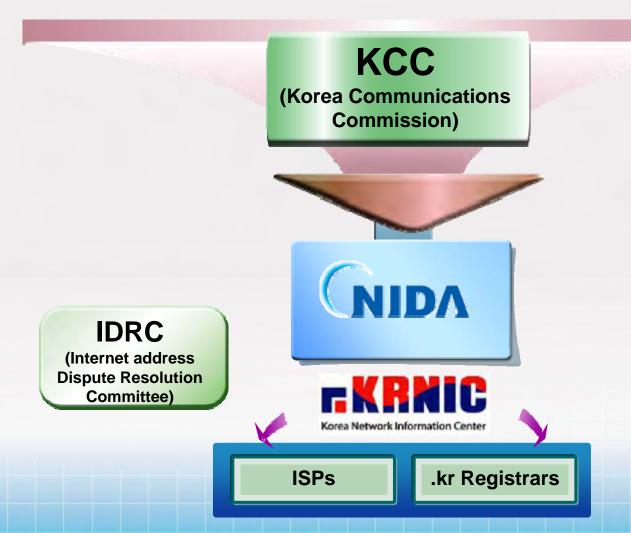
- .kr DNS Service
- Allocation of IP Address as NIR
- ENUM, RFID, WINC etc.

<sup>\*</sup> NIR: National Internet Registry

# **Internet Governance in Korea**

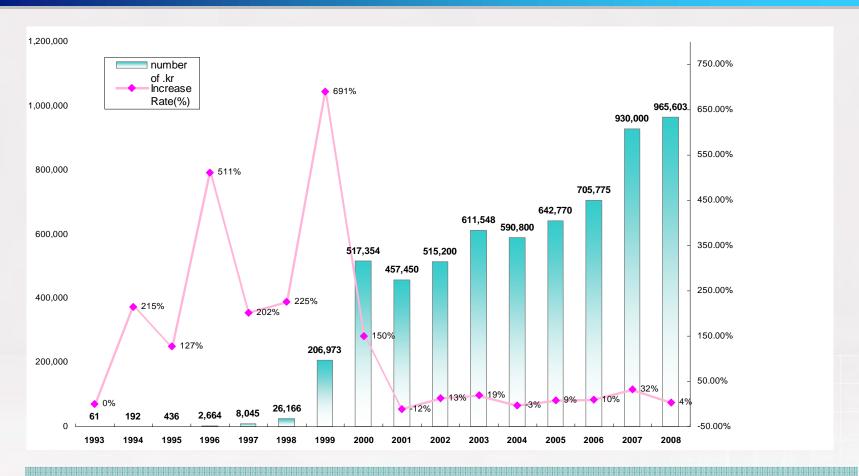


#### **Act on Internet Address Resources**



# Registration Trends in Korea





- · As of Nov 4th 2008, total .kr registrations numbered 965,603
- •With the successful launch of  $2^{nd}$  level English .kr and increase in IDN registrations, there has been a rapid growth between 2006 and 2007

# Statistics on Internet and Domain Use NIDA



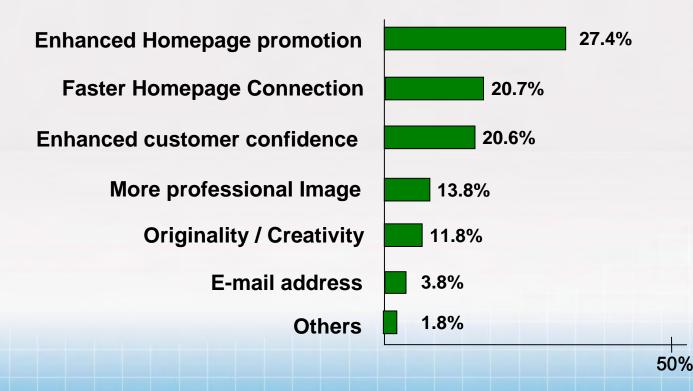
- 1. Merits of Using .kr
- 2. Number of Internet Users in Korea
- 3. The Purpose of Domain Registration
- 4. Considerations for Registrar Selection
- 5. Market Share of TLDs in Korea
- 6. Reasons for TLD selection
- 7. Domain Deletion/Non-Extension

# 1. Merits of Using .kr



The main merits of using the .kr are...

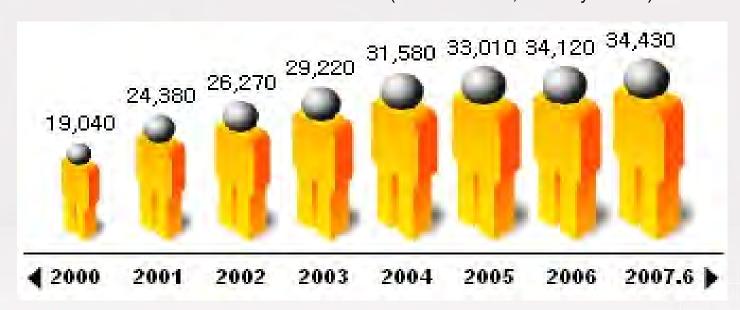
- 1. Enhanced Homepage Promotion (27.4%)
- 2. Homepage Connection Speed (20.7%)
- 3. Enhanced customer confidence (20.6%)



### 2. Internet Users in Korea



(unit: thousand, over 6-year-old)

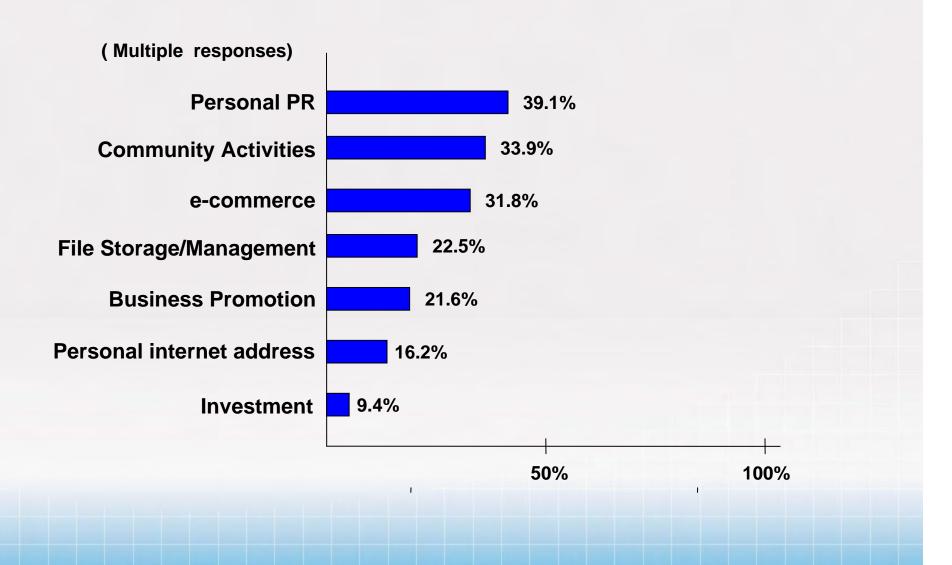


Over 70% of the total population\* of Korea use the Internet.

<sup>\*</sup> Population of Korea is about 48,000,000.

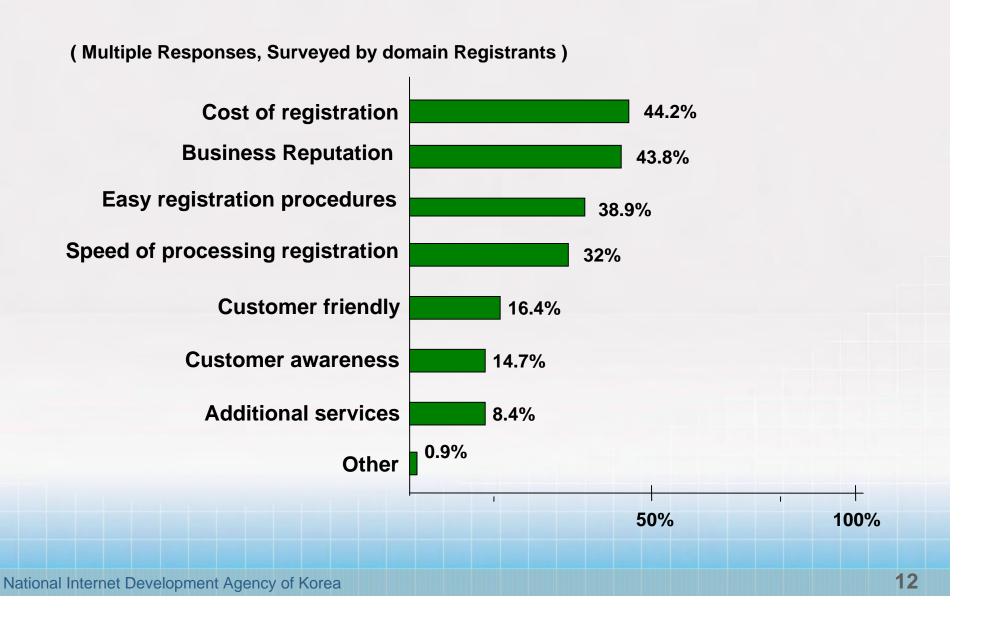
# 3. Domain Registration Purposes





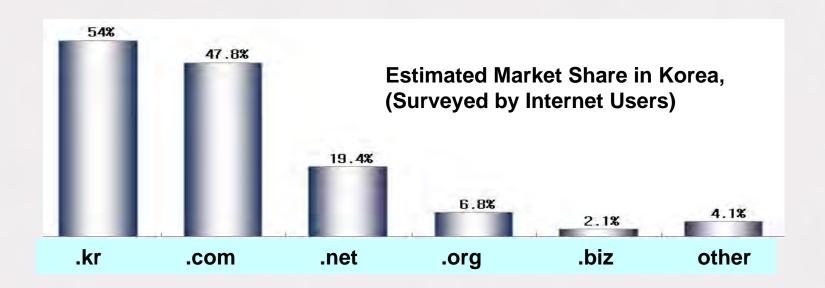
# 4. Registrar Selection Considerations





## 5. Market Share of TLDs in Korea







## 6. Reasons for Domain Selection



#### Only .kr

- 1. To promote a Korean Company homepage (34.1%)
- 2. The second best choice against a 3<sup>rd</sup> party prior registration (27.9%)
- 3. The .kr image is better than gTLD (9.3%)

#### .kr + gTLD

- 1. Provides for clearer domain naming (35.7%)
- 2. To prevent confusion(27.3%)
- 3. For future use (19.9%)

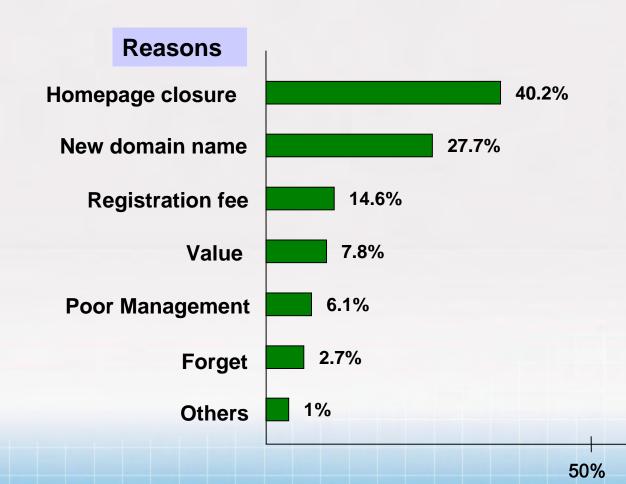
### only gTLD

- 1. A better fit for purpose (.com, .biz, etc) (35.2%)
- 2. The gTLD image is better than .kr domain(22.8%)
- 3. The second best choice against a 3<sup>rd</sup> party prior registration (16.1%)

### 7. Domain Deletion/Non-Extension



44.7% of registrants delete or do not extend domain name registration



## http://www.nida.or.kr



