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## ENUM

Dear Axel,

I would like to come back to our discussions in Melbourne and Stockholm. As you know, in spring some organisations as well as individuals within the German Internet community pointed out that they feel it would be a good idea if DENIC provided ENUM services for the German community and especially DNS service for the domain 9.4.e164.arpa. Since then I have been trying to evaluate this idea with some of the major stakeholders in the German community.

First of all we discussed the issue in a joint meeting of DENIC's executive board and oversight board on April 24<sup>th</sup>. In that meeting we agreed that DENIC will support ENUM services if there is enough support from the community. We felt that this service would be a good supplement to our current service and both services can benefit from each other.

As the ENUM discussion is not only a technical one, we also tried to get support from the political side. I therefore searched contact with German officials and presented the idea in a letter to Ministerialrat Dr. Witte with the German Ministry of Economics and Technology and upon his invitation to a broader group of officials from the Ministry and the German Telecommunication Authority (RegTP) on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

By the letter exchange and the discussions it became clear that a formal endorsement by the Ministry or the RegTP is not possible because of their neutral position. But I am convinced in the light of our discussions there is now a clear understanding of what we are planning concerning ENUM, and I can at least say that we felt no reservation from this side.



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With the support of the German community we therefore feel now ready to ask you for the delegation of the domain 9.4.e164.arpa to the following nameserver:

enum1.denic.de (Frankfurt)  
enum2.denic.de (Amsterdam)  
enum3.denic.de (Vienna)

For your further information I have enclosed a copy of my letter exchange with Dr. Witte and he will also get a copy of this letter for his information.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a series of loops and a final flourish.

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