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**ELECTRONIC AND POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY
STEERING COUNCIL**

No. _____ prot.

Tirana, on ____.____2026

DECISION

No. 12, dated 13.04.2026

ON

“APPROVAL FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION OF THE DRAFT REGULATION ‘ON THE REGISTRATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF DOMAIN NAMES “.AL,GOV.AL, .MIL.AL, .EDU.AL, .COM.AL, .ORG.AL AND .NET.AL””

The Steering Council (SC) of the Electronic and Postal Communications Authority (AKEP), composed of:

Mr. Gentian Sala, Chairman
Ms. Edlira Dvorani, Member
Ms. Diana Dervishi, Member
Mr. Bleron Dokle, Member
Mr. Armer Juka, Member

and with Ms. Dania Nallbani acting as secretary, at the meeting, in accordance with the procedure set forth in Law No. 54/2024 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania”, Law No. 8480 dated 27.05.1999 “On the Functioning of Collegial Bodies of State Administration and Public Entities”, and the Internal Regulation on the Organization and Functioning of the Electronic and Postal Communications Authority (AKEP), approved by Decision No. 11 dated 31.03.2026 of the AKEP Steering Council, upon the proposal of the Directorate of Information Technology and Security, reviewed the matter with the subject:

- Approval for public consultation of the document: Draft Regulation “On the Registration and Administration of Domain Names “.al, .gov.al, .mil.al, .edu.al, .com.al, .org.al and .net.al”.

LEGAL BASIS:

1. Paragraph 1 of Article 133 of Law No. 54/2024 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania”.
2. Regulation “On Public Notification and Consultation Procedures”, approved by Decision No. 21 dated 07.12.2021 of the AKEP Steering Council.

THE STEERING COUNCIL:

Upon reviewing the written documentation consisting of the following:

1. The document submitted for approval for public consultation of the Draft Regulation “On the Registration and Administration of Domain Names “.al, .gov.al, .mil.al, .edu.al, .com.al, .org.al and .net.al”;
2. The explanatory report accompanying the draft decision;
3. The reasoned draft decision,

as well as the discussions held during the meeting regarding the matter, and referring to the above-mentioned legal basis,

NOTES:

1. Law No. 54/2024 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania” entered into force on 20.12.2024, repealing Law No. 9918/2008 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania”, as amended. Law No. 54/2024 partially approximates into national legislation Directive (EU) 2018/1972 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC).
2. The document for public consultation: Draft Regulation “On the Registration and Administration of Domain Names “.al, .gov.al, .mil.al, .edu.al, .com.al, .org.al and .net.al” has been drafted in accordance with the provisions of Article 12, paragraph 2, letter dh, and Article 133 of Law No. 54/2024, according to which: *“AKEP shall establish by regulation detailed specific rules regarding the methodology, fees, procedures and manner of administration of domain names and subdomains, in compliance with the legislation in force and national and international standards, and shall maintain a register of registered domain names and registering entities, in accordance with the applicable legislation on data protection, as well as in implementation of Council of Ministers Decision No. 219 dated 17.04.2025 ‘On the approval of rules for security, resilience and accuracy purposes in the registration of data for “.al” domain names’.”*
3. The draft regulation provides for a comprehensive regulation of this field, including general provisions, criteria and restrictions for domain names, the organization and operation of the registry, the regulation of registrar activities, the rights and obligations of holders, procedures for the registration and administration of domain names, mechanisms for dispute resolution, as well as rules on personal data protection and confidentiality.
4. In this context, the draft act guarantees a more secure, transparent and efficient administration of domain names through the establishment of a clear and standardized regulatory framework, ensuring the protection of third-party rights, enhancing the security and integrity of the “.al” space, and ensuring compliance with the applicable legal framework and international practices.
5. Based on Articles 44 and 45 of Law No. 54/2024 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania” and the Regulation “On Public Notification and Consultation Procedures”, approved by Decision No. 21 dated 07.12.2021 of the AKEP Steering Council, the document approved through this decision shall be subject to public consultation, with the purpose of obtaining the opinion of interested parties.

FOR THESE REASONS:

Based on paragraph 1 of Article 14 and paragraph 1 of Article 15 of Law No. 54/2024 “On Electronic Communications in the Republic of Albania”, and Law No. 8480 dated 27.05.1999 “On the Functioning of Collegial Bodies of State Administration and Public Entities”, the AKEP Steering Council,

DECIDED:

1. To approve for public consultation the Draft Regulation “On the Registration and Administration of Domain Names “.al,.gov.al,.mil.al,.edu.al,.com.al,.org.al and.net.al”, according to the attached document.
2. The public consultation procedure shall be conducted for a period of 30 days from the date of publication of the document referred to in point 3 of this decision.
3. This Decision and the document for public consultation: Draft Regulation “On the Registration and Administration of Domain Names “.al,.gov.al,.mil.al, .edu.al,.com.al, .org.al and .net.al” shall be published on the website of AKEP at www.akep.al.
4. The Directorate of Information Technology and Security is entrusted with the follow-up and implementation of this decision.

This decision shall enter into force immediately.

Chairman	Member	Member	Member	Member
Gentian Sala	Armer Juka	Bleron Dokle	Edlira Dvorani	Diana Dervishi