

# ENUM Update UKNOF6, Southampton 19/1/07



# Historical Background

First DTI ENUM Workshop in 2001 Led to the formation of UKEG, the UK ENUM Group

Informal, representative industry body

No legal status or membership

All work on a best efforts basis

Produced and produces lots of good stuff

Open and transparent (sort of)

Not good at outreach

## **UKEG Achievements**

Report defining roles, interfaces and responsibilities

Ran a successful trial in 2003

Trial report published in 2004

Encouraged DTI to proceed towards commercial operation of ENUM

Produced governance documents & models, accreditation criteria, codes of conduct, and so on

Gave birth to UKEC Ltd

## **UK ENUM Consortium**

Company formed in October 2006 Non-profit, limited by guarantee Initial "trustee" directors:

Adrian Snell

Jim Reid

John Souter

**Nigel Titley** 

## **UKEC** Limited

Will oversee ENUM in the UK
Analogous to ICSTIS supervision of premium rate telephone services
Main responsibilities:

Issue RFP and contract for Registry Stakeholder representation Handle disputes, maintain consumers

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Governance structure aligned with government's recommendations
Outcome of DTI Consultation Exercise

## **UKEC** and Government

Government, not Ofcom, "owns" UK ENUM delegation

ENUM is an industry initiative

DTI recognises UKEC Ltd as the ENUM body for the UK

Lightweight, self-regulation by industry

Safeguards for competition, privacy, data protection and consumer confidence

Representative, stakeholder model

# **UKEC** Roadmap

Engage independent assessors for RFP Issue RFP for Tier-1 Registry Transitional arrangements Business Plan & budget Membership criteria & fees Arrange contract with RFP winner Outreach & awareness "Trustee" directors replaced by a board elected by membership

## Provisional timetable

Date	Optimistic timeline
End of January 2007	RFP finalised and issued
(as early as possible)	Indications of RFP response requested from potential bidders
End of February 2007	RFP responses in from bidders
End of March 2007	Assessor review complete
Mid April	UK Board selects winner
Mid May 2007	Contract negotiations complete
During May/June 2007	UKEC holds AGM/elections

## Remarks on timetable

Timetable presented is ambitious but optimistic-realistic

UKEC aims to work to this timetable, but acknowledges there are some potential problems:

Getting bids in on time

Assessing the bids

Negotiating the final contract

# Membership Model

Membership is expected to be for businesses and organisations

=> No individuals

Honorary memberships?

Membership fees related to turnover?

General structure analogous to comparable organisations:

LINX, Nominet, RIPE NCC, etc

# Funding Model

Discounted fees planned for first year to encourage membership Future fee structure expected to cover mature running costs
RFP process will be self-financing Application fees

# Exiting the Bootstrap Phase

AGM scheduled for May/June 2007
Trustee directors will resign
Replaced by a Board elected by
the membership

## **CRUE**

Carrier Registrations in User ENUM Scheme for bulk data population Ofcom database for authentication "Culturally compatible" with telcos Shadows NP process Already in use by some VoIP providers Gaining traction with major telcos Possibly millions of UK ENUM entries

## **Further Information**

UKEC has a web site!

www.ukenumc.org

Summary of UKEC Board meetings

**UKEC** documents & presentations

Coming soon:

Details of RFP