



## .aero TLD

By aviation for aviation

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## Background

- Sponsored TLD created in 2000
- SITA is the Sponsor
  - created in 1949 as a cooperative of 11 airlines
  - now over 600 members - airlines, airports, aerospace companies
- Afiliias appointed Registry Operator in 2005



SITA Paris operations centre c.1950


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## What is .aero?

A community initiative aimed at advancing and simplifying aviation communications by leveraging Internet technologies

1. Policy platform available to the community to develop Internet-style services
  - Convergence VoIP, RFID value processing and interline
  - Some aspects of security and authentication (DNSSEC)
2. Dedicated to and governed by the aviation community
  - Dot Aero Council
3. Domain name registry service operated for the aviation community

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## Who are the members of the community ?

- Any aviation organization or individual ...
  - Airlines, business aircraft operators, airport operators, aerospace, aviation media, aviation works, suppliers and service providers;
  - Commercial and private pilots and other aviation professionals;
  - Air sports and recreational aviation associations and their members.
- Before domain registration, each registrant passes eligibility check
  - Borderline cases consulted with Dot Aero Council;
  - Virtual aviation, aviation media.
- Appeal via Eligibility Reconsideration Process
  - Administered by WIPO, aviation experts as panelists

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## Dot Aero Council

Policy advisory body, open to new members, consulted in all major policy and development matters

- ACI (Airports Council International)
- CANSO (Civil Air Navigation Services Organization)
- FAGSA (Federation of Airline General Sales Agents)
- FAI (Fédération Aéronautique Internationale)
- IATA (International Air Transport Association)
- NBAA (National Business Aviation Association)
- ARINC
- SITA (Société Internationale de Télécommunications Aéronautiques)
- ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization), as an observer

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*“To create a structured, open and constantly evolving Internet naming architecture which helps the aviation community to integrate systems and services, and streamline communications within the community and with its partners”*

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## Lessons learnt

- Same size does not fit all
- Role of ICANN registrars
- Policy delegation
- Acceptance of new TLD strings

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