gTLD Revocation Readiness Report for .helsinki

This Report summarizes the status of the steps required to request the revocation of a generic top-level domain (gTLD) subject to the terms outlined in the Registry Agreement and the Registry Transition Process. This Report was produced by the ICANN Global Domains Division Operations Team and documents the relevant requirements for Revocation.

21 October 2026



REVOCATION READINESS SUMMARY | .HELSINKI

Top-Level Domain:	.helsinki
Registry Operator:	City of Helsinki
Registry Agreement:	https://www.icann.org/en/registry-agreements/details/helsinki
Type of Termination:	Voluntary Termination by Registry Operator, per section 4.4(b) of Registry Agreement
Revocation Requested to Occur on:	23 November 2026 at the latest
Revocation Readiness:	Readiness Confirmed
Submission Date:	28 May 2026
Summary:	On 28 May 2026, City of Helsinki, the Registry Operator for .helsinki, notified ICANN that it wished to terminate the RA citing its own business needs. On 19 August 2026 , ICANN made a preliminary determination that operation of the .helsinki gTLD need not be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator. On 21 October 2026, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, ICANN made a Final Determination to terminate the .helsinki Registry Agreement and revoke the TLD's delegation from the Root Zone.

Checklist for gTLD Revocation Readiness

If any answers are "no," a description of the impact on readiness for revocation (if any) must be provided. The impact should include why ICANN has determined to proceed with the revocation.

Notice of Termination	
1: Did the Registry Operator provide all properly given, required notices to ICANN pursuant to the terms of the Registry Agreement and/or the Registry Transition Process?	Yes
2: Did ICANN provide the notices for public comment, community feedback or other processes required by the Registry Agreement and/or the Registry Transition Process?	Yes

Determination on need to transition operation of the TLD	
1: Did ICANN consult with the Registry Operator?	Yes
2: Did ICANN publish a preliminary determination? *URL for determination:* https://itp.cdn.icann.org/en/files/registry-agreements/helsinki/helsinki-legal-notice-determination-19-08-2026-en.pdf	Yes
3: Did the community have an opportunity to provide input on the preliminary determination? *URL for community input:* http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/ra-termination-comments/	Yes

4: If comments were received, did ICANN provide a summary of community input on the preliminary determination to the extent any input was received? *URL for community input summary:* *N/A* On 21 October 2026, after a 30-day period for comments by interested parties, during which no comments were received, ICANN has determined to move forward with the revocation considering that: • .helsinki has an effective Code of Conduct Exemption. • Transitioning the TLD is not necessary to protect the public interest.	N/A
5: Was it determined that operations of the TLD does not need to be transitioned to a successor Registry Operator? *URL for determination:* https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/gtld-registry-agreement-termination-2015-10-09-en	Yes
6: Has ICANN assessed that revocation of the TLD's delegation in the DNS root zone will not create security, stability, and/or resiliency issues?	Yes
7: Was approval for the final determination appropriately authorized? *URL of the reference authorization:* https://itp.cdn.icann.org/en/files/registry-agreements/helsinki/helsinki-legal-notice-final-determination-21-10-2026-en.pdf	Yes