



## DotDM champions Internet Governance for Dominica



**L - R Deputy-Manager CARICOM Secretariat, Jennifer Britton, CEO of CDNS, Paul Kane CEO of DotDM, Ambassador Jennifer Aird, ICANN Caribbean Manager, Albert Daniels**

**Roseau, Dominica** -- The DotDM Corporation recently announced the deployment of a Domain Name Server Node in Dominica to improve internet security, speed and resilience for DotDM domain names through strategic partnership with Community DNS (CDNS) Limited (a world renowned leader in the area of cyber security). The announcement was made at the 10<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Internet Governance Forum (CIGF) which was held in Nassau, Bahamas from August 5-8, 2014 by the Caribbean Telecommunications Union (CTU) in collaboration with internet stakeholders ICANN, ISOC and ARIN.

The Dominica node is a first for Dominica and the Caribbean and the first node to be deployed on the CDNS platform in the Caribbean and South America. It is supported on one of the world's largest global networks consisting of 59 nodes located in data centers in 50 countries and 6 Anycast Clouds. The benefits of an in-country node include heightened resilience against cyber attacks, improved response, performance, robustness to mitigate against international internet failure, and overall upgraded service to local Internet Service Providers and internet users in Dominica.

"CDNS offers one of the largest and most secure anycast DNS constellations in service on the internet. Our platform has been tested to support over 500 million names and presently supports 73% of all registered domain names on the internet" says Paul Kane, President of CDNS and Holder of one of the Seven Keys to the Internet.

Jennifer Aird, CEO of the DotDM Corporation and Administrator of the .DM Domain Name Registry adds, "In keeping with our mission, we have forged a strategic alliance with Community DNS, an established global leader in operational capacity and are privileged to partner towards enhancing internet governance in the region and providing a case and experience to share with our neighboring CARICOM Member States. The DotDM Registry platform currently resolves queries for numerous domain names including government, local and international web sites. Undergirded by Dominica's cyber security legislation, the .DM Domain Name Registry is uniquely poised to defend its customers against cyber crime, combat growing economic cyber threats and thwart attacks on the Dominica namespace.

Along with ICANN officials and other Caribbean Registry operators attending the CIGF, Jennifer Britton, Deputy Programme Manager of the ICT4D Program of the Caricom Secretariat offered "Congratulations on this very forward-thinking move by you and your organisation in Dominica and for Dominica".

"Congratulations to you and your team and certainly a bold step with positive implications for Dominica. Well done!" says General Manager Jeffrey Baptiste of Internet Service Provider LIME,