

## Statement of Interest for the IDN Variant TLDs Issues Project

- 1. Your Name:** Huda Sarfraz
- 2. Current employer and position:** Center for Language Engineering (<http://cle.org.pk/>), Al-Khawarizmi Institute of Computer Science, University of Engineering & Technology, Lahore, Pakistan; Assistant Manager Research
- 3. Type of work performed:** Planning and management of socially motivated language computation and localization projects, recent projects listed at: [www.cle.org.pk/research/projects](http://www.cle.org.pk/research/projects)
- 4. Identify any financial ownership and/or senior management/leadership that are interested parties in IDN Variant TLDs related topics:** I am employed at the Center for Language Engineering (<http://cle.org.pk/>) which is conducting research and development in linguistic and computational aspects of languages, focusing Pakistan and developing Asia. The head of the Center, Dr. Sarmad Hussain, is also the coordinator for the Arabic Case Study team. He has been working on scripts and IDNs, and has been involved with ICANN for around the past 4-5 years.
- 5. Identify any type of commercial or non-commercial interest in IDN Variant TLDs related topics. Are you representing other parties? Describe any arrangements/agreements between you and any other group, constituency or person(s) regarding your nomination/selection as a team member:** NA
- 6. IDN Variant Case Study Team members are expected to demonstrate knowledge or expertise in aspects related to the IDN Variants. Please, identify any knowledge, expertise or experience you have that would be relevant to the work on IDN Variant TLDs Issues Project:** Recent work on localization standards for Urdu language, including review of the standard character set and issues with variants (<http://cle.org.pk/Publication/papers/2011/HLTD201103.pdf>). In the past, I have been working for around five years on language computation and localization projects for Urdu.
- 7. Describe any tangible or intangible benefit that you receive from participation in such processes, for example, if you are an academic or NGO and use your position to advance your ability to participate, this should be a part of the statement of interest, just as should employment by an organization that has an interest in IDN Variant TLDs:** I am using this opportunity to my contribute my knowledge as a community member, where possible, and also to gain the experience of such a process.