Alexei Sozonov: statement of Interest for the IDN Variant TLDs Issues Project

1. Your Name: Alexei Sozonov

2. Current employer and position: Regtime.net (webnames.ru)

3. Type of work performed: co-CEO

4.Identify any financial ownership and/or senior management/leadership that are interested parties in IDN Variant TLDs related topics: Regtime.net might be interested in applying for IDN TLDs in future

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: - I'm representing Russian Language name internet consortium – non profit Russian language community representing organization. I don't have any arrangements/agreements between myself and other groups, constituency(s) or person(s) regarding nomination/selection as a team member

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: I serve in a Board discussions of
http://cctld.ru (http://cctld.ru/) Russian ccTLD Administrator body (.RU and .РФ - one of the world's largest ICANN cctTLDs) as an institutional member.
 I have strong expertise in Russian Cyrillic linguistic issues and have over the years coordinated a Cyrillic language working group amongst several Cyrillic language countries (Russia, Ukraine) in the region and have presented our linguistic work (including local cultural views specific to the politics of Russia and Cyrillic countries) at ITU and ICANN (our company initiated and created Cyrillic screept language tables RFC-5992, Sergey Sharikov http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5992)
I've been attending ICANN meetings since 2003. Registrar constituency active Member. Active ICANN public comments participant, GNSO PPSC (Policy Process Steering Committee) WG active member. I have work experience to initiate and launch Cyrillic in existing ascii gTLDs (worked with Afilias, Verisign, Neustar)
We have been addressing expertise we have as an advisory power for the President's Administration and the Government .

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: As intangible benefit that I might receive from participation in the processes I might consider to use this work experience to advance the ability to participate in other related activities to serve the need of IDN internet communities.