# IDN Variant Plenary Session I

ICANN Singapore Meeting 0830-0930 Saturday 18 June 2011 Olivia Stamford Ballroom



# Agenda

- Brief Introductions
- The Variant Issues Project
- Roles and Responsibilities
- ICANN Support and Resources
- Statements of Interest
- Definitions Document
- Initial Questions Document
- Potential Outcomes from Singapore Case Study Meetings

#### **Brief Introductions**

- ICANN Project Staff and Subject Matter Experts
- Case Study Team
   Coordinators
- Host Organizations

# **ICANN Project Staff**

- Kurt Pritz Executive sponsor
- Dennis Jennings Project leader
- Hayley Laframboise Project coordinator
- Case Study Liaisons
  - Arabic : Baher Esmat
  - Chinese: Steve Sheng
  - Cyrillic: Francisco Arias
  - Devanagari : Naela Sarras
  - Greek: Julie Hedlund
  - Latin: Kim Davies

## ICANN Project Staff - cont

- Andrew Sullivan DNS & IDNA consultant
- Francisco Arias Registry operations expert from staff
- Kim Davies Security expert from staff
- Nicholas Ostler Linguistic consultant
- Steve Sheng Policy expert from staff

#### Case Study Team Coordinators

- Arabic Dr. Sarmad Hussain
- Chinese Dr. Xiaodong Lee
- Cyrillic Alexey Sozonov
- Devanagari Dr. Govind
- Greek Vaggelis Segredakis
- Latin Jothan Frakes

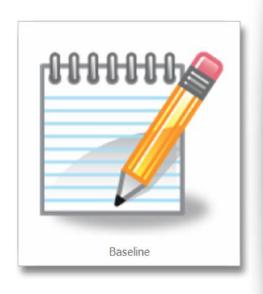
## Local Host Organizations

- Arabic: Qatar Supreme Council of Information and Communication Technology (ictQATAR)
- Chinese: Chinese Domain Name Consortium (CDNC)
- Cyrillic: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- Devanagari: Department of Information Technology (DIT), Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India
- Greek: Institute of Computer Science of the Foundation for Research and Technology - Hellas (FORTH-ICS)
- Latin: The Internet Infrastructure
   Foundation Registry Operator for .SE

# **IDN Variant Project**

- Scope of Work
- Deliverables
- Project Schedule

# Scope of Work



- 1. Create a glossary of terms vetted with technical and linguistic communities.
- 2. Identify challenges (requirements) of IDN variant TLDs based on:
  - a) linguistic accuracy
  - b) technical feasibility & accuracy
  - usability (including minimize user confusion)
  - d) accessibility and
  - e) security and stability

## Project Deliverables



- Issues Report from each case study - 30 September 2011
- Issues Report integrating common and case-specific issues - 15 December 2011

# Roles and Responsibilities

- Case Study Coordinators
- Case Study Teams
- Host Organizations
- ICANN Project Staff
  - Case Study Liaisons
  - Subject matter Experts

#### Available at:

<a href="http://www.icann.org/en/topics/new-gtlds/idn-variant-tlds-call-for-volunteers-case-study-teams-20apr11-en.pdf">http://www.icann.org/en/topics/new-gtlds/idn-variant-tlds-call-for-volunteers-case-study-teams-20apr11-en.pdf</a>

#### **ICANN Support and Resources**

- Case Study Liaisons
- Subject Matter Experts
- Limited Travel Support
- Administrative Support
  - Mailing lists
  - Tele-conference Facilities
  - Wiki

#### Statements of Interest

- To ensure transparency and the confidence in the results of the project, it is necessary for members to submit statements of interest (SOI)
- SOIs will be published on the IDN Variant wiki

#### **Definitions Document**

- Need to define the terms that are being used
- Initial document developed
- Case Study Team feedback required
- Two types of definitions
  - Existing References (IDNA, Unicode 6, RFC 3743, draft-ietf-appsawg-rfc3536bis-01)
  - New Definitions (to be finalized)

#### **Definitions Document**

- The Project asks that Case Study Teams use the terms only as defined.
- If a term is defined in a way that the Team finds undesirable, or if there is not a term for something the Team needs to discuss, the Project prefers the Team to define a new term so that it is always clear what a given term means.
- The goal of this restriction is to minimize the difficulty later during the harmonization step.

#### **Draft Questions Document**

- Some framing questions for case study teams
- Intended be used as a starting point to stimulate discussions
- Not meant to be a complete list of questions

# Desired Outcomes from today's meeting

- Agreement on Definitions
- Initial Classification of Issues
- Plan and timeline for Case Study Teams
- Team Work Assignments

#### Logistics

 Case Study Coordinator meet on Sunday (tentatively 1pm Sunday) to discuss Monday public meeting agenda

#### Rooms

- Arabic Olivia
- Chinese Moor
- Cyrillic Morrison
- Greek Moor
- Latin Olivia
- Devanagari Morrison