

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
 - c) 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:

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

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