IDN Implementation Guidelines (IDNG) Working Group (WG)

Notes from Meeting on 18 Nov. 2015

Meeting Attendees

WG members (in alphabetical order):

1. Dennis Tan Tanka
2. Chris Dillon
3. Kal Feher
4. Edmon Chung
5. Mats Dufberg
6. Satish Babu

Staff:
7. Alireza Saleh
8. Sarmad Hussain

Regrets

1. Christian Dawson
2. Wael Nasr

Meeting Notes

1. **Review of reference documents.** The members discussed review of some relevant documents. Based on the discussions, the following initial list of documents was developed:
   a. RFCs covering IDNs
   b. GNSO policies and reports for IDNs
      i. AGB
      ii. GNSO new gTLD guidelines – IDNs work group report
   c. ccNSO polices and reports for IDNs
      i. ccNSO IDN PDP
      ii. IDN ccTLD Fast Track FIP
   d. JIG Report
   e. IDN Variant Project Docs
      i. Variant Issues Report
      ii. LGR Procedure
      iii. User Experience
      iv. LGR Specifications
   f. Unicode reports
   g. Registrar and Registry agreements
   h. SSAC reports
      i. Second level policies of TLDs
Staff to list these at the Wiki and all to add to this list. Staff to also point to the relevant places in the documents. This should include documents which refer to IDN Implementation Guidelines and also documents which refer to IDNs and their implementation.

_Staff (and other members) to develop a list of relevant documents on the WG wiki. Staff to identify areas in these documents where reference to IDNs is made._

2. **Stability, consistency and scope of IDN Guidelines.** The members discussed developing guidelines in a way that they remain stable (to the extent possible) over time until they are revised. Further, the recommendations should be systematic so that they provide a consistent user experience across TLDs. Guidelines should be general, covering all the TLDs, including ccTLDs and gTLDs, and not specific to a particular subset. The guidelines may be applicable to multiple levels and may be binding vs. non-binding.

3. **Discussion on specific issues for the Guidelines.** The members discussed some specific items contributed by the members through emails. These included implementation of some aspects IDNA 2008 standard but which are sometimes not adhered to in practice, e.g. as informed by the Pre-Delegation Testing. The group discussed to make a comprehensive list at this time and not prioritize the items at this time. Some points identified included the following:

   a. Implementation issues related to IDNA 2008  
   b. Use of Hyphen  
   c. Script Mixing  
   d. Script tags

_The members to contribute items and issues to the mailing list. All are encouraged to share as many items as possible._

4. **Regular meeting times.** The group will continue to meet on Wednesdays at the same time, fortnightly. Those who did not attend to share any objection with staff, in case this time is not convenient, for reconsideration of time.

_Those not attending the meeting to let staff know if the current time/day does not work._

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