At-Large Workspace: Proposal for Hebrew Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules

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Brief Overview

Purpose: The Hebrew community has formed the Hebrew Script Generation Panel (GP), which in turn has developed a *Proposal for Hebrew Script Ro* ot *Zone Label Generation Rules* (Proposal and Supporting Document). As per the LGR procedure, this proposal is being posted for public comment to allow those who have not participated in the Hebrew Script GP to make their views known to the GP. Based on the feedback, the Hebrew Script GP will finalize the proposal for submission for integration into the Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone (RZ-LGR)

Current Status: Currently there are multiple script communities which have formed generation panels and are actively working towards developing Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone, including Chinese, Greek, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Myanmar, Neo-Brahmi, and Sinhala GPs. In addition, Arabic, Armenian, Cyrillic, Ethiopic, Georgian, Khmer, Lao and Thai script GPs have already completed and submitted their LGR proposals. Except for Armenian and Cyrillic which have been deferred, the remaining six scripts have been integrated into the RZ-LGR.

Next Steps: Following the public comment period and submission of the proposal by the Hebrew Script GP with any changes to reflect the public comments, the Integration Panel (IP) will evaluate the proposal. If the proposal is successfully evaluated, it will be integrated into a subsequent version of the RZ-LGR. Otherwise, the proposal will be sent to the Hebrew Script GP with comments for further consideration and revision.

Section I: Description and Explanation

Following the Call for Generation Panels to Develop Root Zone Label Generation Rules, the Hebrew community organized to form the Hebrew Script Generation Panel (GP), which was seated by ICANN on 15 October 2018. The Hebrew Script GP has developed the *Proposal for Hebrew Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules* (Proposal and Supporting Document), following the format prescribed in the LGR specification.

According to the LGR procedure, the starting point for creating a script LGR for work of the Hebrew Script GP is the latest version of the Maximal Starting Repertoire (MSR-4). The work has been carried out following the specification of the Generation Panel's tasks, as described in the LGR Proced ure, in particular, Section B.3 "Variant Rule Generation Procedure." These tasks are summarized in the guide on Setting up and Running a Generation Panel.

Each generation panel's proposals are posted for public comment. This permits those who have not participated in the generation panel to make their views known. A well-functioning public comment is a critical component of this procedure, because there is no formal appeal mechanism for the RZ-LGR being developed.

The LGR Procedure consists of two passes. The first pass creates a set of LGRs, each specific for a given script or writing system; this task is carried out by Generation Panels composed of people with deep experience or interest in the script, writing system, or language used by some community of Internet users. These panels submit their LGR proposals for review by an Integration Panel. The Integration Panel consists of independent experts in DNS, Unicode and scripts, and has responsibility for the second pass. This second pass involves integrating the proposals into a unified set of LGRs for the root zone, taking into account the need for a secure, stable and reliable DNS root zone.

Section II: Background

Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone (RZ-LGR) are being developed to define a conservative mechanism to determine valid IDN TLDs and their variant labels, for stable and secure operation of the Internet's Root Zone.

Successful development of Label Generation Rules depends on having community-based Generation Panels for each script that will be used in the Roo t Zone. Generation Panel members are representatives of the each of the communities that use a particular script or writing system – their role is to identify the valid characters, variants and Whole Label Evaluation (WLE) rules for the given script or writing system. Each Generation Panel starts by considering the code points for the relevant script that are present in the Maximal Starting Repertoire and, based on these, develops a Label Generation Rules proposal to be used to generate TLD labels for that script. In doing so, they may need to coordinate efforts with other GPs, whenever their respective scripts are closely related. These proposals are then reviewed by the community through public comment and by an expert Integration Panel for approval and integration into the LGR for the Root Zone. The details are defined in the LGR Procedure.

Section III: Relevant Resources

Proposal for Hebrew Script Root Zone Label Generation Rules (Proposal and Supporting Document)

Section IV: Additional Information

Related materials can be found at the following links:

- Root Zone Label Generation Rules: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/root-zone-lgr-2015-06-21-en
- Maximal Starting Repertoire: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/msr-2015-06-21-en
- Procedure to Develop and Maintain the Label Generation Rules for the Root Zone in Respect of IDNA Labels: https://www.icann.org/en/system/files/draft-lgr-procedure-20mar13-en.pdf
- Machine readable specification for the Label Generation Rules: https://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc7940.txt
- Guidance on Designing LGRs Supporting Variant Labels: https://tools.ietf.org/rfc/rfc8228.txt
- LGR Toolset: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/lgr-toolset-2015-06-21-en
- Repository of Guidelines and other relevant documents: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/root-zone-lgr-documentation-2017-12-15en
- LGR proposals already received: https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/lgr-proposals-2015-12-01-en

Section V: Reports

FINAL VERSION SUBMITTED (IF RATIFIED)

The final version to be submitted, if the draft is ratified, will be placed here by upon completion of the vote.

FINAL DRAFT VERSION TO BE VOTED UPON BY THE ALAC

The final draft version to be voted upon by the ALAC will be placed here before the vote is to begin.

DRAFT SUBMITTED FOR DISCUSSION

The first draft submitted will be placed here before the call for comments begins. The Draft should be preceded by the name of the person submitting the draft and the date/time. If, during the discussion, the draft is revised, the older version(S) should be left in place and the new version along with a header line identifying the drafter and date/time should be placed above the older version(s), separated by a Horizontal Rule (available + Insert More Content control).