

ccNSO IDN PDP Working Group 1 in San Francisco
17 March 2011

Attendees:

Jaap Akkerhuis, Expert on Standardisation
Bart Boswinkel, ICANN
Lyman Chapin, Chair IDN Fast Track Stability Panel
Chris Disspain, .au (Chair)
Patrick Fältström, Technical Community
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Dennis Jennings, ICANN
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ALAC
Kristina Nordström, ICANN
Vaggelis Segredakis, .gr

- The Chair informed the group that the ccNSO Council had passed a resolution to ask the IDN PDP WG 1 to investigate the issue of confusability:

Resolution 61-02:

THE COUNCIL RESOLVED TO request the IDN PDP Working Group 1 to develop, as soon as possible, guidelines (within the framework of the existing rules for the Fast Track) to improve the predictability of the evaluation relating to string confusion as defined in the IDNC Final Report and the Final Implementation report adopted by the ICANN Board in November 2009.

He further noted that a sub-group of impartial experts should be put together for this task and that a note would be sent out to the email list asking for volunteers. Initially, Vaggelis Segredakis, Hiro Hotta, Jaap Akkerhuis, Patrik Fältström, Bart Boswinkel and Chris Disspain would be part of the group, and that a formal invitation should be sent to Lyman.

Action: *Bart Boswinkel* to send a note to the IDN PDP WG 1 email list asking for volunteers for the sub-working group that will address the confusability issue.

Action: *Bart Boswinkel* to invite Lyman Chapin to join the IDN PDP WG 1 sub-group that will investigate the Confusability Issue.

- Patrik Fältström pointed out the importance of involving people representing different scripts than Latin, Cyrillic and Greek, to cover all possible angles of confusion.
- The Chair noted that the first call of the sub-group will be held in about two weeks time. *Bart Boswinkel* added that the work of the group will be very intense with possibly several calls a week.
- The IDN PDP Working Group 1 members agreed to put the work on the Policy Development Process in hibernation until more input regarding the variant issue is received from the ICANN Board, and to communicate this decision to the ccNSO Council.

Action: The Chair to inform the ccNSO Council that the Policy Development Process work of the IDN PDP Working Group 1 will be hibernated until further input on the variant issue is received from the ICANN Board.

- The group discussed different definitions of variants.

Dennis Jennings pointed out that the purpose of the ICANN Board Variant Project is to define a 'statement of user requirements' and to investigate possibilities to implement them.

Dennis further welcomed feedback from the IDN PDP Working Group 1 to the Variant project, initially to the Draft Project Plan. *Bart* confirmed that further input would be provided once the sub-group on Confusability has been formed.

The meeting closed.