IDN Session

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Prague
Topics

• ccNSO Council response Elise Gerich letter
• Issues and Progress IDN WG 1
• Issues and progress IDN WG 2
Letter on confusingly similarity

• ICANN’s position: Protection of all possible two-character ASCII strings under the Fast Track Process (current and future ccTLD’s).

• Fast Track Process is the result from extensive consultations (IDNC WG Report, Implementation Plan)
• IDNC WG recommendation:

verification that the proposed code cannot be interpreted as any of the elements in the alpha 2-codes used by the ISO 3166/MA (section 5.2 of ISO 3166-1: 2006)
Letter confusingly similarity

• No Indication:
  - Any combination of two-letter ASCII codes should not be protected,
  - nor that the confusingly similarity review should be discontinued.
• However, changes to the confusingly similarity review:
  – Procedural changes
  – Changes of methodology for assessment
  – Addressed in overall policy
Letter

• ccNSO Council position:
  Support ICANN’s position that all possible strings of combinations of two ascii characters should be protected under the Fast Track Process.
Questions?
Overall Policy

• Current status:
• IDN WG 1 discusses draft Final report
  – Overall principles
  – Criteria
  – Processes and Documentation
  – Miscellaneous

• Open topics
  – Standard for confusingly similarity
  – Procedure to review confusingly similarity
Confusingly similarity standard

• Change of standard (under discussion)
  – two different strings of Unicode characters whose appearance in common fonts in small sizes at typical screen resolutions is sufficiently close so that it is probable that a reasonable internet user who is unfamiliar with the script would perceive the strings to be the same or confuse one for the other

• Methodology to be developed during implementation

• To be endorsed by the ccNSO
Review Process

• Under discussion:
  – One stage or two stage process

• Documentation of findings

• Clarification of interaction between parties
Questions?
Inclusion of IDN ccTLD in ccNSO

• Current status formal voting:
  – Members vote ccPDP
  – Election of ccNSO council
  – Selection of ICANN Board members

Seek your sense for:
• One vote per territory majority view
• One vote per member minority view
One vote per territory

• underlying principle or distinguishing factor
ccNSO is an organisation of peers who’s eligibility to ccNSO is direct link with a Country or Territory listed on ISO 3166-1.

• Reflect in voting in territorial
One vote per member

• Underlying principle
ccNSO is a professional organisation based on an understanding of equal peers

• Question: what is difference with GNSO?
Questions?