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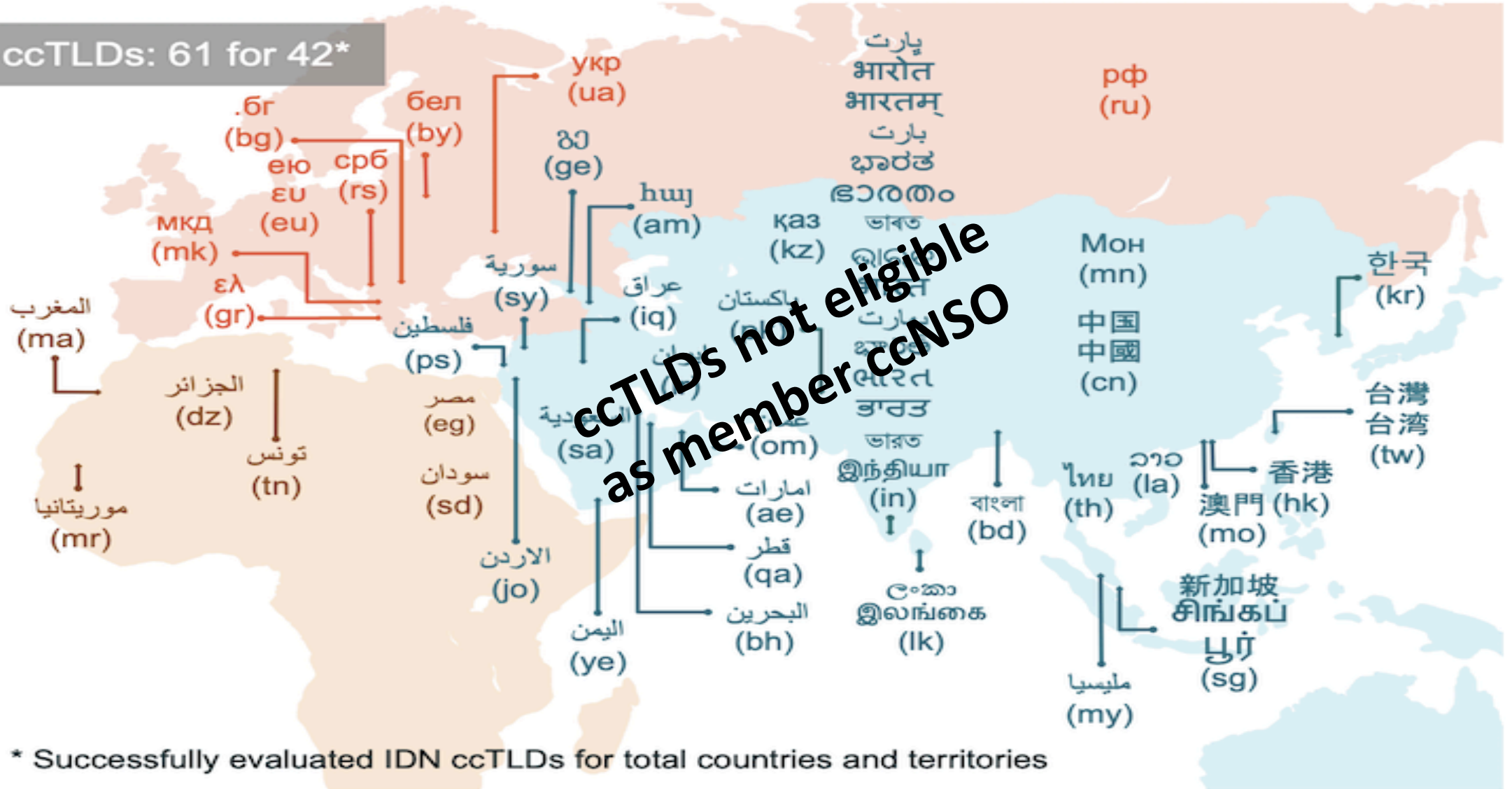
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Why are we discussing this?

Current State of Play

Known Open Issues March 2019

Variant management

- Root Zone – Label Generation Rules & need for policy around variant management of TLD
- Placeholder in ccPDP 2

Evolution of process confusing similarity evalaution under Fast Track Process

- From DNS Stability panel to extensive and extended process and evolution of assesment methodology and criteria

Retirement of IDN ccTLD

- What triggers the retirement of an IDN ccTLD?
  - Change in name of country or territory in official language of the country?
  - Change in status of the language of the country (from language used from administrative purposes to non-specific language)?
  - Dissolution of the Country (although non-IDN: AN)
- Once retirment is triggered the retirement process applies

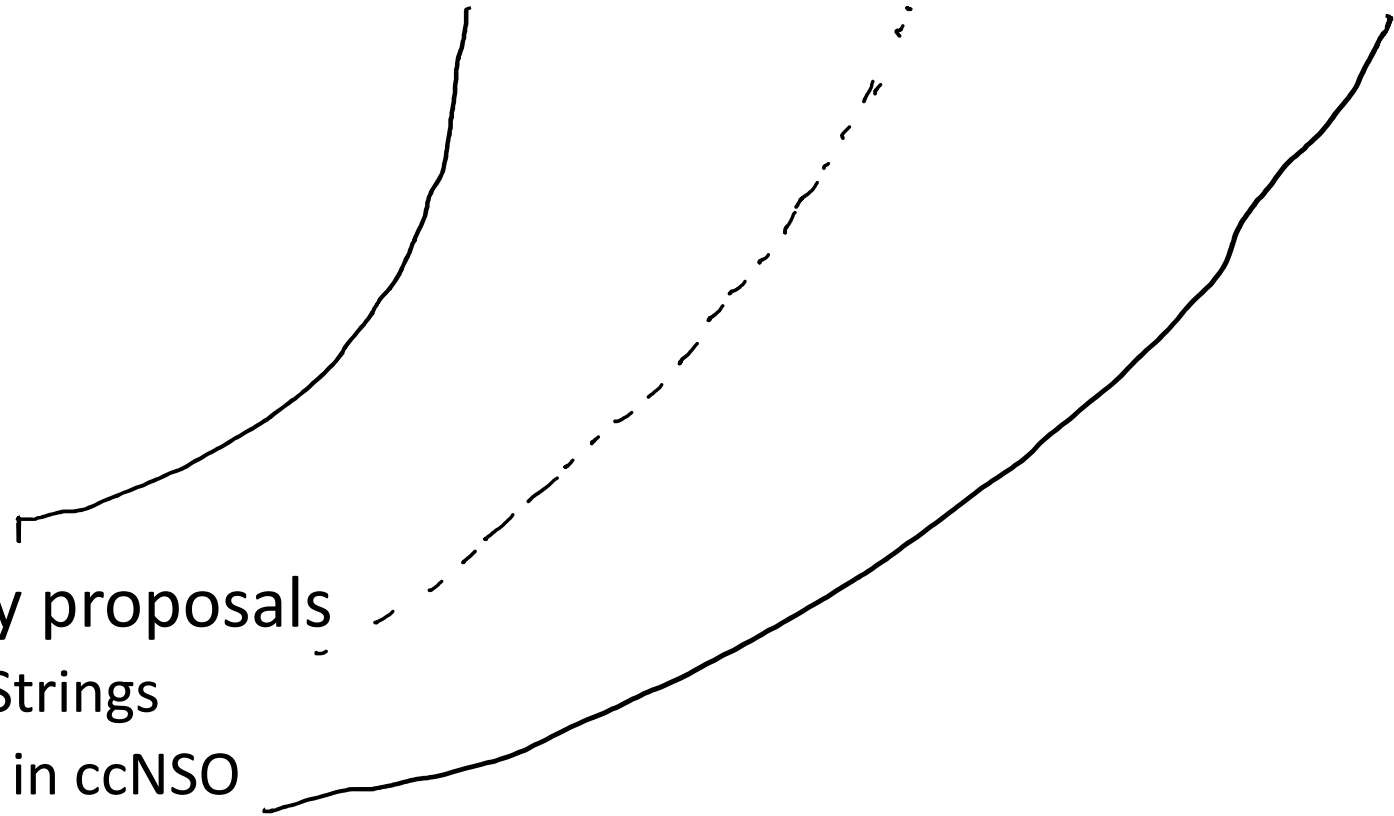**Inclusion IDN ccTLDs in ccNSO**

The Roadmap

So what is the roadmap?
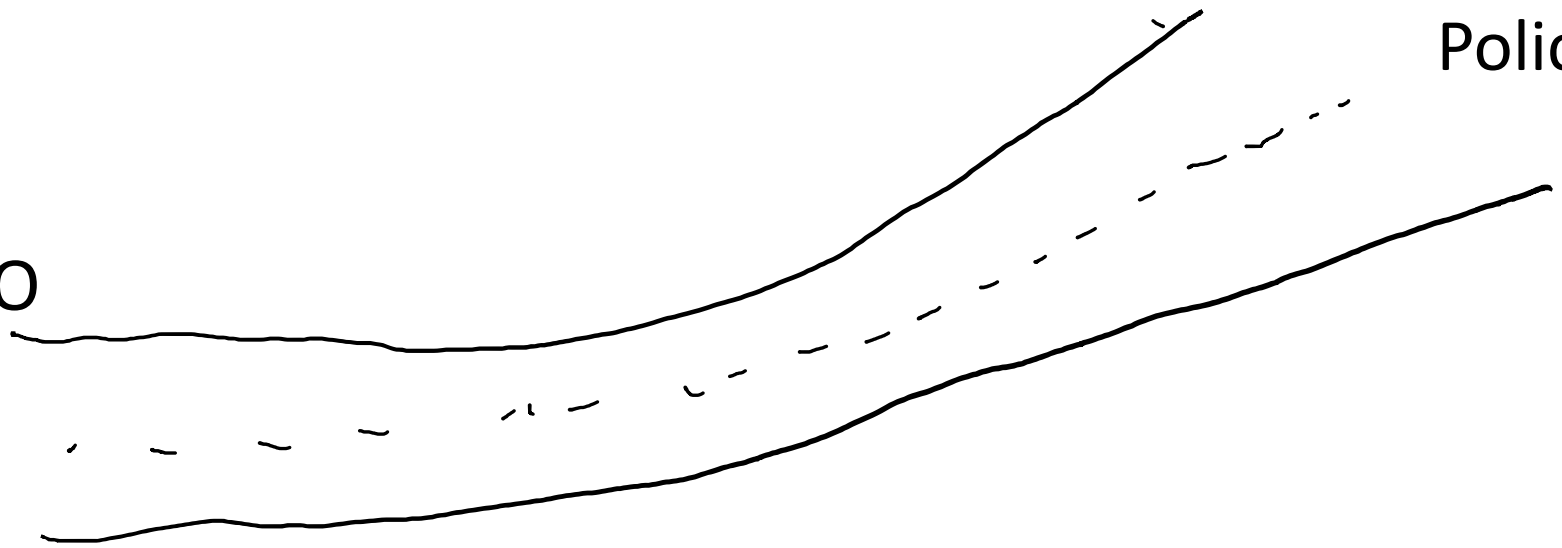
To get from:

- Fast Track Process
&
- Overall IDN ccTLD policy proposals
  - Selection of IDN ccTLD Strings
  - Inclusion Of IDN ccTLDs in ccNSO

To:

- Policy for Selection of IDN ccTLD String
- Amended ccNSO Article 10 ICANN Bylaws

To
Inviting & Inclusive ccNSO •
and
Stable, Predictable &
Simple
Policy •
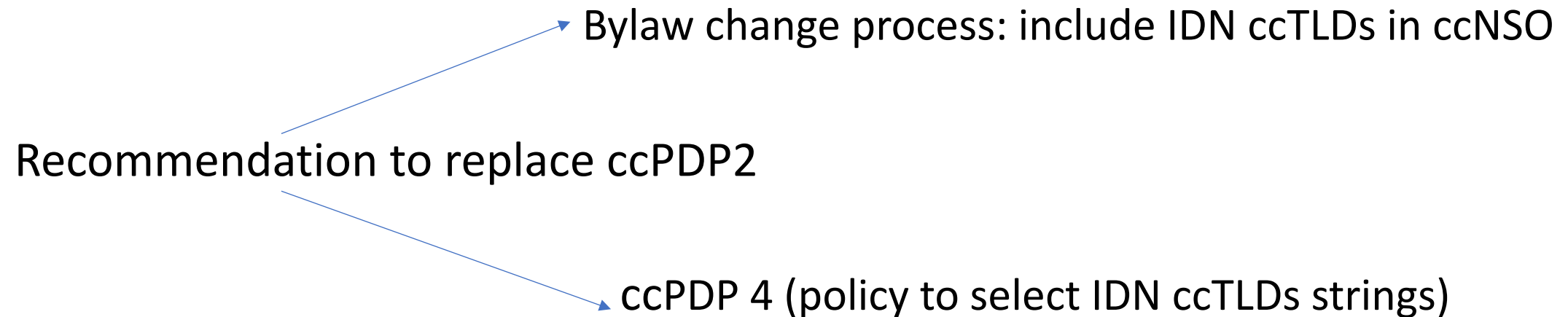
To get from
• Exclusive ccNSO

• Open issues
 & Diverging,
 & Complicated
Method &Proposals

The roadmap

Request closure ccPDP2 and Stop Evolution of Fast Track Process: requested August 2019

Gap Analysis Overall IDN ccTLD policy (PDP 2): completed June 2019

Bylaw change process: include IDN ccTLDs in ccNSO

Recommendation to replace ccPDP2

ccPDP 4 (policy to select IDN ccTLDs strings)

Preliminary Findings of GAP Analysis PRT (Summary)

- No Major updates required in section on Inclusion IDN ccTLDs in ccNSO

- Need to develop policy around Retirement of IDN ccTLD and Variant Management

- Update relevant parts of IDN ccTLD selection processes, criteria and procedures

- Reconfirm the principles underpinning the policy

What are the next steps?

Evolution of Fast Track & ccPDP 2

Board has responded 31 October 2019

ccPDP 2 is taken back and no more additional steps

Proposed Actions Area
Update of IDN ccTLD string selection proposals

Start Launch ccPDP 4 at **Montreal** meeting.

Requires:

- Request Issue Report: includes proposals how issues identified in GAP Analysis report will be addressed
- Appointment Issue Manager: mandate issue manager to ask for volunteers to assist in defining WG Charter & terms of Reference working parties
- Tentative timeline

Meeting for interested people already scheduled in Montreal (Thursday 7 November 2019

Proposed Actions Area: Inclusion IDN ccTLD in ccNSO

Check if Proposals on inclusion of IDN ccTLD in ccNSO as included in ccPDP 2 are still adequate:

• Adjustment membership definition

• Representation

In Addition Opportunity to adjust change of ccNSO membership definition October 2016

ccNSO Membership definition

- Original Text (pre 2016): **For purposes of this Article, a ccTLD manager is the organization or entity responsible for managing an ISO 3166 country-code top-level domain and referred to in the IANA database under the current heading of "Sponsoring Organization", or under any later variant, for that country-code top-level domain**.

- Current Bylaw text (post 2016): **For purposes of this <u>Article 10</u>, a ccTLD manager is the organization or entity responsible for managing an ISO 3166 country-code top-level domain, or under any later variant, for that country-code top-level domain.**

ccNSO Membership definition

- Proposal in ccPDP 2: For purposes of this Article (Article IX ICANN Bylaws), a **ccTLD manager is the organization or entity responsible for managing a country-code top-level domain according to and under the current heading "Delegation Record"** in the Root Zone Database, or any later variant **AND referred to in the IANA Root Zone Database under the current heading of "Sponsoring Organization",** or under any later variant, for that country-code top-level domain.

- New proposal: For purposes of this Article (Article 10 ICANN Bylaws), a ccTLD manager is the organization or entity responsible for managing a **country-code top-level domain according to and under the current heading "Delegation Record"** in the Root Zone Database, or any later variant **AND referred to in the IANA Root Zone Database under the current heading of "ccTLD Manager",** or under any later variant, for that country-code top-level domain.

Example 1: ASCII

ccTLD Record

- **Delegation Record for .CA**

(Country-code top-level domain)

- **ccTLD Manager**

Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA)

Autorité Canadienne pour les enregistrements Internet (ACEI)

gTLD record

- **Delegation Record for .VET**

(Generic top-level domain)

- **Sponsoring Organisation**

United TLD Holdco, Ltd

Example 2: IDN

ccTLD

• **Delegation Record for .বাংলা**

（Country-code top-level domain designated for two-letter country code BD)

• **ccTLD Manager**

Posts and Telecommunications Division

gTLD

• **Delegation Record for .时尚**

(Generic top-level domain)

• **Sponsoring Organisation**

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Do you agree with the proposed change of the membership definition?

For purposes of this Article (Article 10 ICANN Bylaws), a ccTLD manager is the organization or entity responsible for managing a **country-code top-level domain according to and under the current heading "Delegation Record"** in the Root Zone Database, or any later variant **AND referred to in the IANA Root Zone Database under the current heading of "ccTLD Manager",** or under any later variant, for that country-code top-level domain.

Formal representation in ccNSO

Formal representation:

- Nomination of Board seat 11 and 12

- Council election

- Raise issue to be addressed through ccPDP

- Vote on results of Policy Department Process

Future Issue: Balance of power in the ccNSO

Balance of power in the ccNSO

- Currently one Manager one vote

- However if IDN ccTLD are eligible:

- Some territories 2 or more ccTLD Managers (2 votes per country)

- Some territories one entity manages 2 or more ccTLDs (2 or more votes per country

- Some countries: no IDN ccTLDs, only 1 ccTLD (limited to 1 vote)

Introduce Emissary

- *In the event **two or more ccTLD Managers from one and the same Territory**, are members of the ccNSO, **those ccTLD managers are to appoint an emissary** to vote in the specific cases enumerated in this Article on behalf of the members from that country, territory or area of particular geopolitical interest, for purposes of voting in the ccNSO.*

- *For the purposes of this Article, and Annexes B and C, Territory is defined to mean the country, dependency or other area of particular geopolitical interest listed on the 'International Standard ISO 3166-1, Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions – Part 1: Country Codes', or, in some exceptional cases reserved by the ISO 3166 Maintenance Agency.*

Specific points re Emissary

- During any period in which an emissary is not appointed, the ccTLD manager that has been the member of the ccNSO for the longest period of time is deemed to be the emissary for that Territory

- If there is a single ccTLD manager, the Representative selected by that manager in accordance with Section 4.5 shall be the Emissary for the purpose of voting.

In 2013 the ccTLD Managers voted in favour of the system

DO YOU STILL SUPPORT THE SOLUTION OF EMMISSARIES TO MAINTAIN THE BALANCE WITHIN THE ccNSO?

Next?

Council will request Bylaw change