Wildcard Study Group Telephone Conference Notes 3rd June 2010

Attendees:

Bart Boswinkel, ccNSO Ondrej Filip, .cz (Chair) Young-Eum Lee, .kr Kathryn Reynolds, .ca Gabriella Schittek, ccNSO Yoshiro Yoneya, .jp

Bart Boswinkel summarised what the Study Group has been doing so far and informed the group that Kim Davies was contacted in order to clarify why some ccTLDs did not appear in his list of wildcarding ccTLDs, which technical checks, performed by other parties, showed. Jaap Akkerhuis from NL Netlabs was involved in the correspondence. The email conversation between Kim and Jaap will be forwarded to the study group email list.

Jaap and Kim agreed that there are various ways of performing wildcard tests and that it is not entirely clear how to identify redirections and what actually is measured, as there is no uniform identification method.

Bart therefore suggested that the Study Group considers whether the Working Group should ask the SSAC to look into the measuring methods, so that the community can get a common understanding on how to identify wildcarding. He further suggested that examples should be given on how different measuring methods can lead to different results. He also thought that it would be worth to do a list of why some cc's are using wildcards.

It was also suggested that the group's final report should contain a compilation what the study group did, including the harms list and Young-Eum's summary of individual cases, which will be sent to the Study Group shortly.

Kathryn Reynolds agreed to help drafting the report.

Ondrej Filip and Young-Eum Lee will start working on a powerpoint presentation, which will be given during the Brussels meeting.

It was finally agreed that the Study Group will have another call before the Brussels meeting on the 15th June at 15.00 UTC.