IDN PDP WG 1 22 Sept
22 September 2010

Attendees:

Jaap Akkerhuis, Expert on Standardisation
Bart Boswinkel, ICANN
Mandy Carver, ICANN
Chris Disspain, .au
Avri Doria, GNSO (Observer)
Baher Esmat, ICANN
Patrick Fältström, Technical Community
Hiro Hotta, .jp
Patrick Hossein, .tt
Manal Ismail, .eg
Cheryl Langdon-Orr, ALAC
Kristina Nordström, ICANN
James Seng, ALAC

Apologies:

Siavash Shahshahani, .ir (observer)

- *Bart Boswinkel* repeated the outcome of the Brussels meeting, where it was decided that Country Names with at least one non-ASCII character would be considered an IDN and eligible under the overall policy. It was also agreed that the issue of general use of Country Names still needs to be addressed. Chris Disspain and Bart Boswinkel will prepare a paper for further discussion. Other main topics that would need attention but are not yet included are processes for the selection of IDN ccTLDs, variant management.

- The group agreed to go through the Decision Points Document that was prepared by the Chair and Bart Boswinkel to see which points would need more discussion.

- *Manal Ismail* raised the issue of whether one voice within a territory might be able to block a delegation process for a certain IDN ccTLD string by officially objecting to it and the issues that may come with that. *Patrick Fältström* noted that full consensus should not be needed in a territory as long as the majority agrees and that ICANN will have to be the judge in these cases. *Avri Doria* pointed out that a delegation must not in any way suppress or oppress the minority of the territory. The group agreed that the consensus issue would need more discussion in the future, when discussing the process, and that it should be noted in the Decision Points Document.

Action 09-01:
Bart Boswinkel to note in the next version of the Decision Points Document that the issue of consensus in respect to delegations needs further discussion.

- The group discussed whether or not an IDN ccTLD should be a meaningful representation of the territory and it was felt that IDN ccTLD names should not be selected for commercial purposes. The group also discussed whether or not a territory should be allowed to register an IDN ccTLD in a none-official language and in that case, for what purpose.

- It was decided that any key decisions by the group would be made over two conference calls so that as many people as possible would be able to take part in the discussion. It was agreed that Bart Boswinkel would summarise the conclusions of the meeting and send a note about it to the Working Group email list.

Action 09-02:
Bart Boswinkel to make a summary of the conclusions reached by the people on the conference call and send them to the Working Group email list.