Roadmap to update the IDNccTLD policy

ccNSO Meeting Kobe
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Why are we discussing this?

Current State of Play
ccTLDs: 59 for 41*

ccTLDs not eligible as member ccNSO

* Successfully evaluated IDN ccTLDs for total countries and territories
Open Issues

• Variance Management & Root Zone LGR

• List of County names to be reserved: is it needed?

• Increasing divergence Fast Track Process & recommended policy

• Financial contribution models IDN ccTLDs and ASCII IDN ccTLDs differ
Divergence
Confusing Similarity
Evaluation process
Fast Track

DNS
Stability
Panel

Extended
Process
Similarity
Review
Panel
(EPSRP)

Risk
Mitigation
Panel
(New)

Need to harmonise and update recommended policy
So what is the roadmap?

It is to get
From
• Fast Track Process
• &
• Overall IDNccTLD policy proposals
  • Selection of IDNccTLD Strings
  • Inclusion Of IDNccTLDs in ccNSO

To

Policy for Selection of IDNccTLD String •
Amended ccNSO Article in ICANN Bylaws •
To An Inviting & Inclusive ccNSO • and Stable, Predictable & • Simple • Policy

To get from
• Exclusive ccNSO
And
• Open issues
• Diverging
• Complicated
Method & Proposals
The roadmap

Stop Evolution of Fast Track Process & PDP 2 (IDNccTLD)

Gap Analysis Overall IDNccTLD policy (PDP 2)

Bylaw change process to include IDNccTLDs

Split PDP2

PDP 4 (policy to select IDN ccTLDs strings)
Step 1: Stop Evolution & PDP 2 Process

• Agreed with Board & community in San Juan (ICANN 60March 2018)

• Await introduction Risk Mitigation Panel & Guideline (February 2019)

• End of evolution: Fast Track Process should remain available for requesting IDNccTLDs!

• Next: letter from Council to the Board and vice versa confirming closure And need to review recommended policy
  • Alternative approach: Go through motions of Board vote and ask Supplemental Recommendation
  • ccNSO to rescind PDP.
Step 2:
Gap Analysis Overall IDNccTLD policy

• Council to define scope and working method Gap Analysis
  • Working party & Terms of Reference
  • ccTLD community members, Issue Manager PDP2, ICANN staff, other interested parties

• Light weight Gap Analysis & Review
  • Required Bylaw changes to include IDNccTLD in ccNSO
  • Changes needed to IDNccTLD string selection process
  • Ensuring IDNccTLD are treated similar as ccTLDs

• Report to Council & community
  • What needs to addressed/ changed and propose way forward
Step 3: Split PDP 2 -> Amendment Article 10
To Include IDNccTLD in ccNSO

Mechanism?
• ccNSO to request Bylaw change or PDP

How and when?
• To be decided by Council at suggestion of working party Gap Analysis
Step 3: Split PDP 2 -> Launch PDP 4
IDNccTLD string selection process

• PDP recommended policy required to replace Fast Track Process

• Core of process already defined and proven to be sound & predictable

• Gap Analysis basis of what needs to be addressed & Issue Report

• Coordination with other SO/ACs required, however under rules of ccNSO
  • Harmonise Confusing Similarity
  • RZ-LGR/Variant management
When will happen next

At this meeting:
- ccNSO Council resolution to send letter to the Board
- Request draft ToR for review working party
- Call for volunteers

In Marrakesh (ICANN 64)
Discuss Gap Analysis Report & next steps
  • Inclusion IDNccTLD: request Bylaw change or PDP
  • Need to launch PDP on IDN sting selection policy
Questions