

## JIG Working Group Telephone Conference Notes

30 March 2010

### Attendees:

Edmon Chung, RySG (co-Chair)  
David Cowen  
Rafik Dammak, NCSG  
Terry Davies, NomCom Appointee  
Chris Disspain, .au (ccNSO Chair)  
Jian Zhang, .cn (co-Chair)

### Observers:

Avri Doria, NCSG  
Chuck Gomes (GNSO Chair)  
Sarmad Hussain, Pakistan National University  
Han Chuan Lee, .sg  
Yeo Yeeling, .my

### ICANN Staff:

Bart Boswinkel, ICANN  
Olof Nordling, ICANN  
Kristina Nordström, ICANN  
Glen de Saint Gery, ICANN  
Gabiella Schitteck, ICANN

- *Edmon Chung* welcomed everyone to the call and noted that the call is aiming to identify issues of common interest between the GNSO and the ccNSO as well as discuss how to move forward. He further noted that the issues identified by the SO Chairs are:
  1. **Single character IDN TLDs** – What will the policy be? Will they be allowed?
  2. **Variant management at the root** (IDN TLD)
  3. **Acceptance of IDN TLDs** – (software, etc) What should be done to address this issue?
- *Edmon Chung* noted that there are currently no specifications on policy requirements for single character TLDs in the IDN implementation report. He welcomed ICANN Staff to clarify what they think should be included in the policy.
- *Chris Disspain* pointed out that the Working Group needs to find out whether there is an existing policy for single character IDN TLD's and then make recommendations to the respective SO's. He further noted that the discussion should involve a definition of the word "character". He also suggested that a briefing session with appropriate ICANN Staff experts would be useful.

- *Sarmad Hussain* reported that there are no technical restraints for single characters.
- *Han Chuan Lee* reported that the IDN implementation working team report included a definition of character based on section 3 of Unicode Standard Annex #29.
- *Bart Boswinkel* offered to contact Tina Dam and seek clarification on single character IDN TLDs as well as variant management at the root. He will ask her to provide the group with a written note on the topic, as well as a follow up call to answer questions from the group.

*Action 01-01:*

*Bart Boswinkel* to contact Tina Dam and ask her for a written note on single characters and variant management, and also to follow up the note with a telephone session.

- The group decided that the three topics should initially be handled in parallel, but to form subgroups if the workload becomes overwhelming.
- It was decided that the logistic support should consist of notes, recordings and transcripts. It was also decided that support staff should look into the possibilities of using a realtime tool for collaborate editing. Rafik Dammak is to provide the link for this tool.

*Action 01-02:*

*Rafik Dammak* to distribute a link for the Realtime tool to ICANN Staff in order for the Staff to arrange for a collaborate-editing tool.

- It was decided that the next call should take place in about three weeks, based on Tina Dam's availability and prospect to provide the group with background information. After that, the calls should be held twice a month leading up to Brussels.