IDN ccPDP update

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IDN ccTLD Policy

- Recommendations overall policy selection of IDN ccTLD strings

- inclusion of IDN ccTLD's in ccNSO

- Replace Fast Track methodology

Structure of Policy

- Recommendations selection of IDN ccTLD strings
  - Overarching principles
  - Criteria
  - Procedures and documentation
  - Miscellaneous recommendations
- Recommendations on inclusion
  - Overarching principles
  - Recommendations
  - Proposed changes ICANN Bylaws Article IX and Annex B
- Notes and comments not part of policy, but to assist interpretation

Inclusion of IDN ccTLD's in ccNSO

IDN ccTLD's
and
ASCII
ccTLD's
should be
treated
similar

- Adjustment of membership definition

- One vote per Territory
  - only for Council elections and vote on PDP
  - Board selection: voluntary arrangement

- Initiation of PDP: 10 members of the ccNSO from different territories

- No further major changes

Policy Selection IDN ccTLD strings

Current policy Delegation and redelegation applies

- Proposed policy builds on Fast Track methodology

- Major substantive changes:
  - String contains at least one non-ASCII character
  - Confusing similarity issues addressed
  - Placeholder IDN variant management
  - Update and clarification of processes

Procedural changes

- Review of Policy in five years
- Creation of Advisory Group to assist:
  - Implementation
  - Operational

- ccNSO: monitor and adopt Implementation Plan

IDN ccPDP: Confusing similarity

- Issue is not technical in itself, but is threat to stability and security of DNS
- Balancing overall interest SSR of DNS, political interest in IDN ccTLD string and accountability and transparency
  - Strong interest of the GAC (members) in adjusting method under Fast Track process (GAC Prague communiqué)
  - Strong Interest technical community to ensure SSR
  - Implementable and Manageable process

IDN ccPDP: Confusing similarity Recommendations

- Adjusted standard for confusing similarity
- Method and criteria for review to be developed as part of implementation
- Two stage review
    - Role and responsibilities need to be specified
    - Explicit communications, and what they should contain (names of panelist, rationale for decision
- Transitional arrangement for current application under Fast Track Process

Next steps

- Final Report is submitted to ccNSO Council for adoption (Beijing meeting)
  - Closure of WG 1 and WG 2
  - Request to implement confusing similarity to experiment new approach
- GAC has formally been asked for advise (ccPDP rules).
- ccNSO Members vote
- Recommendations to the Board (Durban meeting)