

IDN ccTLD Fast Track Update



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IDN ccTLD Fast Track Status

- Successfully launched 16 November 2010
- 100% up-time and no technical issues
- Total of 19 requests received so far
 - 4 requests has successfully passed String Evaluation and are now going through String Delegation
 - 15 requests are actively being processed
 - Spam requests are not calculated in stats
- Requests span over 11 languages
- Requests are kept confidential
 - Per the Fast Track Process requirements
 - Until String Evaluation is successfully completed, or
 - Until country or territory makes it public





IDN ccTLD Fast Track Experiences

- Annual review of the process
 - Ensure the process works adequately for participants and the need of the global Internet community
 - Updates are subject to Board review
 - http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-30oct09-en.htm#2
- Initial staff experiences provided the ccNSO IDN PDP:
 - Transparency
 - In keeping the process open and transparent it could be considered to public information at earlier stage than following String Evaluation
 - Many end-users inquires and interest has been received
 - Some requests were not eligible and did not have adequate support, hence a too early public posting would cause unnecessary issues
 - Community Support
 - Clarification has been provided in a blog post on the subject matter
 - http://blog.icann.org/2010/02/community-support-for-idn-cctlds/
 - Including questions to be covered in community support doc



IDN ccTLD Fast Track Experiences cont.

- Identification of IDN ccTLD manager
 - Clarification: needed for String Delegation and not String Evaluation
- Variants
 - Solution is still under development and discussion
 - http://icann.org/en/public-comment/#3cv-final-report
 - May need consideration in root-zone scaling study
- Disputes
 - No controversial strings have been experienced at this stage
 - No between countries/territories experienced
 - In-country/territory disputes are managed well locally
- Confusingly similar strings
 - confusability is determined by the DNS Stability panel, works well
 - different opinions on whether a string is confusingly similar or not
 - Publication of evaluation details to come
- Management of Spam/ineligible requests
 - 3 weeks notice for communication or close of request

