IDN Implementation Guidelines (IDNG) Working Group (WG)

Notes from Meeting on 27 Jan. 2016

Meeting Attendees

WG members (in alphabetical order):

1. Chris Dillon
2. Dennis Tan Tanaka
3. Kal Feher
4. Mats Dufberg
5. Satish Babu
6. Wael Nasr

Staff:

7. Sarmad Hussain

Regrets

1. Jian Chang

Meeting Notes

1. **Homoglyphs and user confusion.** We should be cautious about recommendations about homoglyphs for at least two reasons. There is no authoritative source to get a list of confusable characters. Also, there are existing registrations which should be taken into consideration – will these be grand-fathered if strict homoglyph label restrictions are prescribed? WG members also noted that homoglyph relations may also be dependent on fonts. How should the WG proceed: document should just list approaches versus document should be prescriptive. There is work already done in this area for many languages and scripts. Should the WG make a repository of this work to help the implementers? Or include such information as part of the guidelines and stipulate it?

2. **Methodology going forward.** Though the WG has been discussing each topic in some detail, another approach is to decide whether a topic may be relevant for the guidelines and develop an initial list. The actual level of detail to address each item in the list can be finalized in the second phase. The group agreed to develop a macro level list of items it considers relevant. This will be based on what has already been shared and may also include additional items the WG members may propose over email.

3. **ICANN 55 planning.** An agenda is needed for face to face meeting during ICANN 55. Further, a short presentation is being planned during the IDN Program Update session to update the community on the work by the WG. A nominee is needed to do the presentation and a presentation also needs to be developed for this purpose. This will be covered during the WG's next call. The presentation is requested to be finalized by 22 Feb.

4. **Participation in the calls.** There has been low participation during the calls. We should discuss how to get input of all WG members and more participation in the calls. The time of the call could be a factor but there could be other reasons. So more active email discussion could help get others to contribute.

The next WG call will be on Wednesday 10 February 2016.

Action Items

S.No.	Action	Owner
1	*Develop a macro level list of items relevant for further discussion by the WG*	MD and KF
2	*WG members should check that they have access to the shared wiki area and can edit the contents online*	All
3	*Develop agenda on the mailing list and finalize agenda during next call. Also discuss presentation slides during the next call*	All
4	*Reach out to WG members on email to check how to improve participation*	MD