ICANN IDN TLD Variant Issues Project

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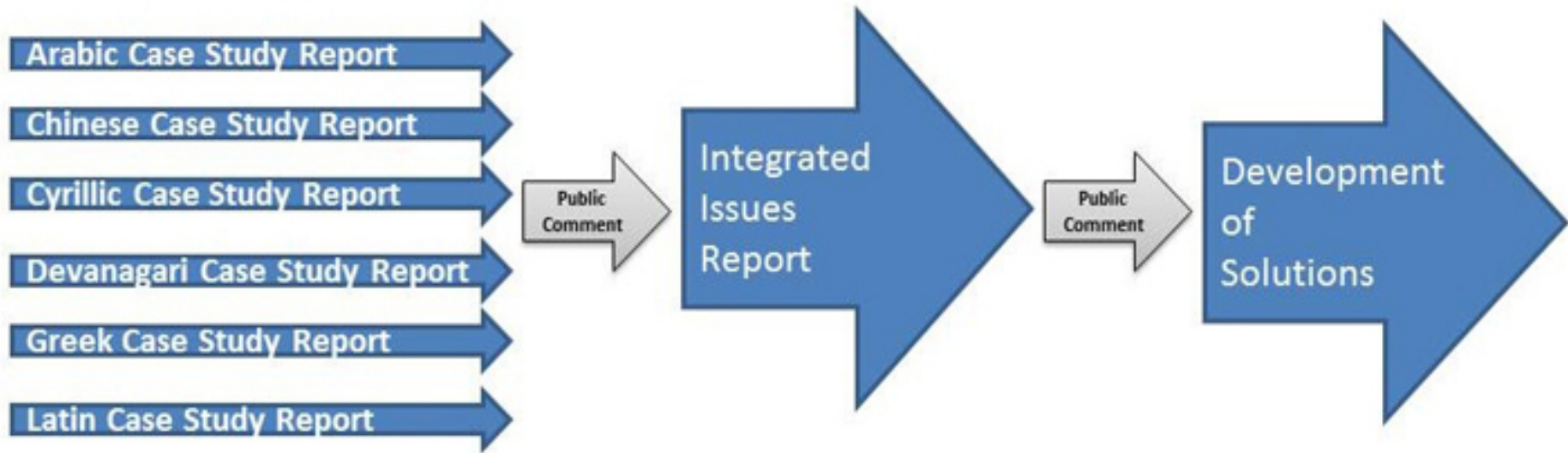*joe.abley@icann.org*

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What is a variant?

Exactly.

What is this project for?

If we have variants, what are they, what causes them, and what happens if we do or do not support them?

Project workflow

IDN Variant Issues Project Phases

Arabic Case Study Report
Chinese Case Study Report
Cyrillic Case Study Report
Devanagari Case Study Report
Greek Case Study Report
Latin Case Study Report

Public Comment

Integrated Issues Report

Public Comment

Development of Solutions

How does the project work (1)?

Six scripts

- Arabic
- Chinese
- Cyrillic
- Devanagari
- Greek
- Latin

How does the project work (2)?

Script Teams

- Mostly from language communities

- Some subject matter experts across all teams

- Focus on effects for users

Teams delivered reports

- One issues report per team

- Now open for public comment until 14 November:

  http://www.icann.org/en/public-comment/

What do we want from you?

- Review of issues reports, particularly with an eye for DNS implications

- Comments in public forum until 14 November

- Mailing list vip@icann.org to join the public discussion:

  https://mm.icann.org/mailman/listinfo/vip

Next

- The integrated report is being prepared:

    http://mm.icann.org/pipermail/integrated-vip/

- Review and input is still needed, so please don't forget us!

Thank You