GNSO POLICY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

ISSUE
Translation and Transliteration of Contact Information Policy Development Process

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Translation: translation of text into another language
Transliteration: writing a word by using the closest corresponding letters of a different alphabet

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES: Call for Volunteers published on 19 June, closing date for volunteers: 05 July 2013

SUMMARY
At its meeting on 13 June 2013, the GNSO Council initiated a Policy Development Process (PDP) on the translation and transliteration of contact information. Accordingly, a group of volunteers will now be convened to draft the charter for the PDP Working Group, which is to be approved by the GNSO Council. The Charter should reflect the fact that the WG is expected to address the following issues:
1. Whether it is desirable to translate contact information to a single common language or transliterate contact information to a single common script.
2. Who should decide which party(s) should bear the burden of translating contact information to a single common language or transliterating contact information to a single common script.
In addition, the Charter should include, at a minimum, the following elements as specified in the GNSO Working Group Guidelines: Working Group identification; Mission; Purpose and Deliverables; Formation, Staffing and Organization; and Rules of Engagement. The proposed Charter will be submitted to the GNSO Council for its consideration and approval.

GAC ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY STATUS

The Charter Drafting Team and the forthcoming WG are both open to all interested parties. Additional opportunities for input will occur such as outreach from the WG to the different SO/ACs for input as well as the publication of the Initial Report for public comment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
GNSO Council motion:
https://community.icann.org/display/gnsocouncilmeetings/Motions+13+June+2013
Wiki Space:
https://community.icann.org/display/tatcipdp/Translation+and+Transliteration+of+Contact+Information+PDP+Home