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1 Japan National Body Activities

1.1 Overview

JNB for SC2 (JSC2) is set at the IPSJ/ITSCJ (Information Processing Society of Japan, Information Technology Standards Commissions of Japan) and the committee monthly meets face-to-face. This committee is responsible for the all JTC1/SC2 activities. It has 19 members, 4 experts and 2 observers, who are experts of coded character sets and/or ideographic characters.

1.2 Hosting IRG#47 at Matsuyama-city, Ehime prefecture

JNB will host IRG#47 at Matsuyama-city in Ehime prefecture. Due to the facility limitation, JNB proposes that the meeting starts on Tuesday. Please find IRG N2147 and N2148.

1.3 Attending to the International Meetings

Four experts attended the IRG #45 Special Meeting at Hong Kong in November.

2 Recent Activities related to IRG

2.1 ISO/IEC 10646 5th edition 2nd CD Ballot

JNB reviewed CJK Unified Ideograph Extension F in the ballot text and submitted the comment to make the unification in Extension F consistent. Also another comment to update the collection for Moji-Joho-Kiban to reflect the latest Extension F.

2.2 IRG Collection 2015 Review

JNB reviewed the assigned part of IRG Collection 2015 focusing the comparison between the proposed glyphs and their evidences. JNB concluded that some evidences are insufficient or questionable to understand the character identity.

3. Guideline for the variant forms of "Joyo Kanji" characters

Agency for Cultural Affairs (文化庁) in Japan issued the guideline about identification for the variant forms of "Joyo Kanji" characters.

http://www.bunka.go.jp/koho_hodo_oshirase/hodohappyo/2016022902.html

It clarifies that several variant forms should be identified as same characters even if there are minor differences among them, especially between the printed form and its handwritten form. This guideline conforms the principle that JIS X 0208 and X 0213 have been aligned with, and JNB has adopted in reviewing activity of CJK ideographs in IRG.

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