Comments received for
ISO 639-3 Change Request 2010-036

Outcome: Rejected
Effective date: May 18, 2011
Registration Authority decision on Change Request no. 2010-036 to retire [skg] Sakalava Malagasy and split it into [avy] Sakalava Anlalava Malagasy and [bpf] Sakalava Besalampy Malagasy.

The request to retire the code element [skg] Sakalava Malagasy and split it into [avy] Sakalava Anlalava Malagasy and [bpf] Sakalava Besalampy Malagasy is rejected. There seems to be documentary as well as practical evidence for at least two varieties of Sakalava Malagasy, but there may be more according to the proposal. This request only handles two of the Sakalava varieties, and Sakalava cannot be split in the standard until all of its varieties are accounted for. In addition, although the requester is in contact with groups working on language development, the groups have not suggested ethnoglottonyms for these two languages. It is suggested that a thorough solution for Sakalava be proposed in a future request, along with language names suggested by those speaking the varieties.