Comments received for
ISO 639-3 Change Request
2016-038

Outcome: Rejected
Effective date: January 31, 2017
Registration Authority decision on Change Request no. 2016-038: to create a new code element [zrm] Masurian: Rejected

The request to create a new code element [zrm] “Masurian” is rejected for insufficient evidence available to the Registration Authority. This change request does not include a clear statement of the relationships between Masurian and the languages most closely related to it. There is anecdotal evidence from the requester’s experience, but no evidence along the lines of which the RA usually looks for (e.g. non-intelligibility or low percentage of lexical cognates) to show that Masurian is different enough from its surrounding languages. For these reasons the request to create the code [zrm] “Masurian” is rejected.