Comments received for ISO 639-3 Change Request 2016-039

Outcome: Rejected

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Registration Authority decision on Change Request no. 2016-039: to create a new code element [pdl] "Podlachian": Rejected

The request to create a new code element [pdl] "Podlachian" is rejected for insufficient evidence available to the Registration Authority. This change request includes some additional studies of Podlachian, and some language development has been done since the original request in 2011, but there is no clear statement of the relationships between Podlachian and the languages most closely related to it. There is anecdotal evidence from the requester's experience, but no evidence along the lines which the RA usually looks for (e.g. non-intelligibility or low percentage of lexical cognates) to show that Podlachian is different enough from Ukranian and Belarusan. For these reasons the request to create the code [pdl] "Podlachian" is rejected.