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Abstract

This specification adds a new property concerning the phonetic transcription to vCard4.0.

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1. Introduction

As for the name, the pronunciation(and phonetic transcription) is different according to each country. To describe the pronunciation of the name, the property is added.

Also, this property is used to clarify the pronunciation (readings name) of the name.(It is not the purpose of sorting.) The description by a country-specific-language and X-SAMPA is also possible.

1.1. Terminology Used in This Document

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [[RFC2119](#)].

Syntax specifications shown here use the augmented Backus-Naur Form (ABNF) as described in [[RFC5234](#)], and are specified as in the base vcard specification [[RFC6350](#)].

2. Identification Property Extensions

The following sections define the phonetic transcription property.

2.1. Property: PHONETIC-NAME

Namespace:

Property name: PHONETIC-NAME

Purpose: To specify the components of the phonetic full name of the object the vCard represents.

Value type: A single structured text value.

Cardinality: *1

Property parameters:

Description: The structured property value corresponds, in sequence, to the Phonetic Full Name, Phonetic Family Name and Phonetic Given Name. The text components are separated by the SEMICOLON character (U+003B). To express the pronunciation of the full name, family name and given name, you MAY write the PHONETIC-NAME property in a country-specific-language. The description by a X-SAMPA is also possible.

Format definition:

```
PHONETIC-NAME-param = "VALUE=text" / altid-param / type-param
                       / language-param / mediatype-param / any-param
PHONETIC-NAME-value = list-component 2("; " list-component)
```

Examples:

```
PHONETIC-NAME;MEDIATYPE=text/hiragana:<U+3084><U+307E><U+3060>
<U+305F><U+308D><U+3046>;<U+3084><U+307E><U+3060>;
<U+305F><U+308D><U+3046>
; <U+XXXX> denotes a UTF8-encoded Unicode character.

PHONETIC-NAME;MEDIATYPE=text/ipa; option=x-sampa:jamada ta4oM;;
```

3. Security Considerations

This presents no security considerations beyond those in [section 9](#) of the base vcard specification [[RFC6350](#)].

4. IANA Considerations

The IANA is requested to add the following entries to the vCard Properties registry, defined in [[RFC6350](#)] [section 10.3.1](#).

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Namespace	Property	Reference	
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
	PHONETIC-NAME	RFCXXXX, section 2.1	
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5. Normative References

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