

IETF Administrative Restructuring

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Overview

- Where we are today
- How we got here
- What's next

Today's Status

- We believe there is community consensus for moving the administrative activity forward as an ISOC activity
- This does not affect the IETF technical process
- Defining documents are still drafts
- We will proceed with transition to IASA model

How we got here (1)

- August 2003
 - Convened an IAB Advisory Committee on reorg
- IETF58 (November 2003)
 - presented Advisory Committee findings in plenary
- IETF59 (March 2004)
 - IAB & IESG had extensive discussions; uniformly supported direction proposed by AdminRest
 - presented draft-daigle-adminrest-00.txt and related documents in plenary
- May 2004
 - circulated revised draft-daigle-adminrest document to IAB/IESG, and reconfirmed decision to pursue support for creating a detailed transition plan
 - Asked ISOC for funding to design and carry out the transition plan

How we got here (2)

- June 2004
 - hired Carl Malamud, on an ISOC project, to provide consulting in fleshing out administrative restructuring possibilities
- August 2004
 - draft consultant report
 - after community debate, revised scenario proposals
- September 30, 2004
 - IAB, IESG and ISOC BoT met face to face
 - <http://www.iab.org/documents/docs/isoc/2004-09-30-minutes.html>
- October 2004
 - IAB/IESG recommendation to organize the administrative support function as an ISOC Activity
 - draft-iab-iesg-adminrest-rec-00.txt
 - draft BCP defining activity
 - draft-wasserman-iasa-bcp-01.txt

Next Steps – Structural Goals

- Meet administrative support needs of the IETF in 2005 and beyond
- Get full BCP approval before binding actions are taken
- Major decisions should be made by the people responsible for long term success
- Move as quickly as possible towards well-structured, accountable, transparent administrative support activity for the IETF

Next Steps – Process

- Finalize BCP
 - IETF Chair will pick editors; editorial team will publish draft-ietf-iasa-bcp (Nov 15)
 - community discussion (plenary, and on the IETF list)
 - Subject matter review from people with legal/org expertise
 - Revised version published based on discussion and review (Dec 1)
- Approve BCP (Dec)
 - IETF Chair makes Last Call (as Gen AD) (Dec 1 to Dec 28)
 - community discussion & IESG approval (Jan 6)
 - ISOC BoT approval (some date)
 - Ask Nomcom officially to fill Nomcom-selected IAOC slots

Next Steps – Organization

- Appoint transition team for spin-up activities (Nov)
 - refining structure of IASA and defining priorities for RFPs, sole source contracts, etc.
 - Start the process of IAD selection
 - We've asked for proposed team members to be suggested to the IAB/IESG – send e-mail by the end of this week
- Seat initial IAOC (Jan/Feb)
 - Formally hire IAD
 - start final contract negotiations and approval (Mar)
- Contracts or other agreements in place for all IASA portions (mid-year 2005)

IETF support for 2005

- In August, we were optimistic
 - seemed likely we would wrap up the organizational discussion in September, and look to RFP Secretariat services for 2005
- We're now in November
 - not possible to RFP before 2005
- CNRI has been working on some new proposals for Secretariat in 2005
 - IASA transition team will work on reviewing details as they are available
 - May be viable to continue with sole source for a period of time AND integrate with IASA