Subject: IETF LLC update for the ISOC BoT March 2019

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HI Kevin,

Here is the update to the ISOC BoT. All of this is non-confidential

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IETF LLC March 2019 update to ISOC BoT

Since the last report to the ISOC BoT at IETF103 in Bangkok in November, the IETF LLC in addition to its ongoing IETF operations responsibilities has been focused on four areas: (1) finalizing the financial transition from ISOC; (2) RFPs for IETF services which are up for rebid in 2019, including the IETF Secretariat; (3) the new IETF Executive Director position search; (4) onboarding the new IETF LLC Board; (5) IETF LLC compliance program progress.

### Financial Transition from ISOC

At the end of December ISOC transferred the IETF LLC operating funds as agreed under the IASA2 transition plan into the accounts managed by the IETF LLC. Related to transferring the IETF's operating funds to the IETF LLC managed accounts, the assignment of contracts away from ISOC to the LLC is now completed. Payments for services contracted by the IETF LLC are now being handled directly by the IETF LLC.

The ISOC contribution to the IETF LLC Reserve was also been transferred to the LLC's account at Goldman Sachs. The funds are currently earning interest while waiting for the investment portfolio strategy to be established by new IETF LLC Board once it is seated and has had time to discuss and establish the IETF LLC's reserve investment strategy.

#### 2019 RFPs

Quite a few of the RFPs for services used by the IETF require rebidding in 2019. Services such as the IETF Secretariat were up for rebid in 2018. When necessary, services had short term extensions into 2019Q3 to allow the IETF LLC time to become established and allow the full IETF LLC Board to be selected and seated.

#### **IETF Executive Director Search**

The current LLC Board is collaborating with the incoming LLC Board on the search for the IETF Executive Director position. A well-developed draft of the position requirements has been developed and RFPs have been sent to a number of search firms requesting their proposals for conducting the search. It is expected that the search firm will assist in finalizing the job description as well as aid in establishing the correct benefits and compensation model for the position in the current marketplace. It is expected that the search firm will be selected by the end of March and will begin working on the search in April.

## On Boarding

Work is underway to prepare the incoming IETF LLC Board to be ready to assume it's duties on March 27 at IETF104 in Prague. Bringing the new members up to speed on IETF operational responsibilities and organizational structure is underway, as well as the task of transferring ongoing board operations knowledge from the current board to the incoming board members.

## **Compliance Program**

The IETF LLC is actively working on defining it's compliance program as per the agreement ISOC. Development of draft policies in each of the compliance areas is underway and will be available for the incoming LLC Board when seated at IETF104 to review and final development toward adoption. This is a top priority for the current and incoming LLC Boards.

# Final note ... IETF LLC Transparency

A key element of the LLC's engagement with the IETF Community is transparency. One of the Board's first acts at its first meeting in September 2018 was to declare meetings to be open to observers except for items such as legal, contracts, and personnel matters etc. with meeting agendas published prior to the meeting. Each meeting is divided into 3 section: Open to All; Only Staff and Board; Executive session of only the Board. This includes the opening to observers significant portions of the Board's 2 day face to face meeting it held in December 2018.

## Regards

Glenn Deen, on behalf of the IETF LLC Board, as chair