

Dear Trustees,

Here is the IAB report for the period between IETF 105 and IETF 106.

Since our last report, the IETF 2019 NomCom began their work; it will appoint six members of the IAB with two year terms starting in March of next year. This year is somewhat unusual in that 5 of the 6 members chose not to be considered for new terms. The IAB is, as a result, expecting a substantial influx of new members next year.

I am happy to report that there were no appeals during this period. The IAB did make one public statement during this period, calling out the [unintended consequences of policy and regulatory proposals](#).

As part of its appointments role, the IAB filled a number of positions; notable among them was Adrian Farrel being [re-appointed as Independent Submissions Editor](#) for a new two-year term, beginning in February of 2020. The IAB also appointed [Peter Koch to the ICANN NomCom](#).

In addition, the IAB has opened nominations for the [Internet Society Board of Trustees](#) and for the [ICANN Root Server System Governance Working Group](#).

## **IAB DOCUMENTS**

You can always find the documents the IAB has adopted and is working on at <https://datatracker.ietf.org/stream/iab>.

One cluster of current IAB documents are those that originally arose out of the IASA 2 effort. Of those, the following drafts are currently in the queue for publication:

[draft-ietf-iasa2-rfc4844-bis-05](#): **The RFC Series and RFC Editor**

[draft-ietf-iasa2-rfc6220bis-04](#): **Defining the Role and Function of IETF Protocol Parameter Registry Operators**

[draft-ietf-iasa2-rfc6548bis-02](#): **Independent Submission Editor**

[draft-ietf-iasa2-rfc6635bis-04](#): **RFC Editor Model (Version 2)**

In addition, [draft-iab-fiftyyears-01](#): **Fifty Years of RFCs**, the RSE's review of the RFC Series first 50 years, is in queue.

A number of other drafts are in preparation or community review, and comments on these are welcome at [architecture-discuss@iab.org](mailto:architecture-discuss@iab.org) or in comments to the IAB:

[draft-iab-escape-report-00](#): Report from the IAB Workshop on Exploring Synergy between Content Aggregation and the Publisher Ecosystem (ESCAPE)

[draft-iab-for-the-users-00](#): The Internet is for End Users

[draft-iab-protocol-maintenance-04](#): The Harmful Consequences of the Robustness Principle

[draft-iab-rfc7500-bis-00](#): Principles for Operation of Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Registries

[draft-iab-use-it-or-lose-it-00](#): Long-term Viability of Protocol Extension Mechanisms

## PROGRAMS

The IAB organizes its long term work, for the most part, into programs. There are basically two classes: management programs and architectural programs. The former are how we handle the oversight of various things, and the latter are where we do architectural work. The former are expected to last as long as the IAB continues to have that oversight function; the latter continue until the IAB has come to a conclusion on the relevant topic or has decided that the topic needs to be reframed. Programs are listed at <https://www.iab.org/activities/programs/>.

The [RSOC](#) program is currently engaged with the RSE transition. During this period, it carried out a consultation with the community on that transition and prepared an SOW for an interim RFC Series Project Manager. The IAB transmitted that to the IETF LLC on October 2nd and the IETF LLC subsequently issued an RFP. The appointment is expected to conclude in time for the project manager to begin by January 1st, 2020. The incumbent RSE, Heather Flanagan, also led three interim community meetings and a plenary meeting during IETF 106. The [emerging proposal](#) will likely require the IAB to run an open-membership program which will manage the discussion of the RFC Series evolution.

## WORKSHOPS

There were no workshops during this period, but workshop reports are in preparation for the [Exploring Synergy between Content Aggregation and the Publisher Ecosystem](#) (ESCAPE) workshop and the [Design Expectations vs. Deployment Reality in Protocol Development](#) (DEDR) workshop.

Respectfully submitted,

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