

IETF Administration LLC Report

LLC Board Update Board Chair - Jason Livingood

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Background: IASA2

- The Internet Administration Support Activity (IASA) was revised in 2018 as IASA2 (1st IASA was in 2005)
- One objective was for the IETF to achieve significant independence from ISOC and, per RFC 8712 (The IETF-ISOC Relationship) to “*operate at arm’s length*”.
- In 2021, the IETF LLC performed an IASA2 retrospective. Status was reported (incl. to ISOC) on 63 requirements
 - 61 were green - Achieved / On Track
 - 2 were yellow - Partly Achieved / In Progress
 - Req. 50 - Improve the IETF’s Technical Environment
 - Req. 61 - Developing a Sustainable Funding Model
- ISOC and IETF have an operating agreement in place governing our relationship

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Current Issues

With new staff joining ISOC, we would like to ensure mutual understanding of our existing agreements & relationship, and to give background to the current arrangements as well as future options.

- Evolution of antitrust policies to match current operating environment
- New questions re: IETF's OFAC policy (previously approved by ISOC)
- Channeling communications to IETF LLC staff and contractors, including legal, accounting/auditors
- Clarifications re: shared services/discussion on possible future scenarios
- Confidential and non-confidential governance issues

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Current Agreement

- According to the terms of the ISOC-IETF agreement, the IETF under Section 11.a has several obligations to ISOC.
- If ISOC believes the IETF is deficient in 11.a, there are remedies laid out in 11.b.
 - Member shall promptly discuss any perceived breach of these obligations with the IETF, and IETF & ISOC will cooperate in good faith to resolve the issue.
 - If, after *written notice and a substantial opportunity to cure*, the IETF remains in *material* breach of its obligations, then ISOC shall have the right to unilaterally dismiss any or all of the individuals then serving as Directors of the Company and to replace them with individuals selected by ISOC. (This is a 'nuclear option' and would have significantly negative effects on both IETF and ISOC.)
 - ISOC shall only take such action in good faith *after notice to and consultation* with the affected communities, including the IETF, IRTF, and IAB.

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Current Status & Next Steps

Discussion...

Thank You



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