

Public Executive Director Report

For the IETF Administration LLC Board meeting on 8 July 2026

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1. Strategic Matters

2026-2029 Draft Strategic Plan (Board retreat)

There are active discussions on the draft and this will be discussed in a later part of the agenda.

2. Policies

Investment Policy (Board retreat)

There are active discussions on the draft and this will be discussed in a later part of the agenda.

3. Finance

Nothing to report

4. RFPs and contracts

Nothing to report

5. Meetings

Remote rooms

The planned consultation is not yet ready.

IETF 126

Preparations for IETF 126 Vienna continue without issue. The current projection is for a maximum of 1250 people registered onsite, with 1150 simultaneously onsite for the busiest day, well within the venue capacity of 1350.

Disaster/Emergency Recovery Plan

The Disaster/Emergency Recovery Plan is now complete and will be rolled out for IETF 126 Vienna. All management and meeting-related staff and contractors will follow an online training program before then and there will be an onsite refresher before the meeting starts. Board members are welcome to take the same training.

Future Meetings

The current status is:

- IETF 127 San Francisco – Meeting registration is open.
- IETF 128 (Asia) – Negotiations are in the final stages as we await some major decisions from the venue legal team.
- IETF 129 Berlin – Booked and announced.
- IETF 130 Vancouver – Booked and announced.
- IETF 131 (Asia) – Site visit completed in April. A site report will be provided to the Board in due course.
- IETF 132 (Europe) – Initial discussions are underway and have been narrowed down to 3 locations. A site visit is planned for early October.
- IETF 133 (possible exploratory) – This is waiting for local supporters to work with the hotel to help them understand the IETF network and how that works, before they will commit to making the changes necessary to support it.

6. Tools/RPC/RSWG/RSCE

Monthly reports

The monthly tools report and monthly RPC report will be posted the Thursday before the board meeting.

Tools team retreat

The tools team held a successful three day retreat with a full report due soon. The key outcomes were:

1. A new approach to internal work planning with the aim of more accurate estimation of resource requirements and timing of deliverables.
2. A plan to build the roadmap and use that for community prioritisation, built on top of the new work planning.
3. New guidelines for contributors to IETF tools repositories that anticipate large AI generated contributions, with the aim of better supporting them while not overloading staff.

RPC

The change of editing tools and processes is bedding in. There remain a number of features outstanding that did not make it into the initial release that are awaiting delivery for editors to be able to take full advantage of the new tools.

RPC SLA

A community consultation on a proposed RPC SLA will be released soon.

7. IESG/IAB/IRTF/Trust

Nothing to report.

8. Communications/Outreach

Community survey

The draft 2025 Community Survey report has been updated based on feedback from the IESG. The report is expected to be ready for publication in the next week.

9. Fundraising

2025 Sponsorship Report

While finalizing the lists of contributors and sponsors for the 2025 Sponsorship Report, several discrepancies were noted, particularly for contributions to the IETF Endowment over time. Working with the Director of Finance, those contributions were audited and systems are now in place so those can be properly tracked and recognized going forward. Final layout of the report with the corrected information is expected to be completed soon so it can be published.

10. **Miscellaneous**

Nothing to report.