# 51<sup>st</sup> NMRG Meeting - IETF 104 Session 2

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- BCP 25 (Anti-Harassment Procedures)
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#### **Blue Sheets!**

Please fill the Blue Sheets and circulate them through the room

this is important to measure participation and plan proper room size at future meetings

## NMRG @ IETF 104 week

20 years of NMRG!

**Session 1** - Intent Based Networking (current session) follow-up on IBN activity and work plan update

**Session 2** – Future of NMRG (current session) inputs to discussion on future of NMRG

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# Agenda

- 1. Introduction
- 2. NMRG 1999-2019, a Retrospective
- 3. Al for Network Management
- 4. Discussion on future of the RG

### **RG INFORMATION**

IETF98 - 42nd NMRG

# 2019 meetings plan

- April, IEEE IM 2019, Washington
  - 2 sessions, Tuesday, 08 April 2019
  - Outreach to IEEE/IFIP NM communities
- June, NMRG Workshop, Silicon Valley, USA (under preparation)
  - Exact date/time TBC, in week 10-14 June 2019 or week 24-28 June
- July, IETF 105, Montreal
  - Regular session(s)
  - Interim TBC
- October, NMRG Workshop, Bologna, (under preparation)
- November, IETF 106, Singapore
- Monthly virtual meetings + topic-specific ones as per need

#### **ANRW 2019**

https://irtf.org/anrw/2019/



- Call for Papers
  - [...] New approaches to network management, operations, and control
  - Submit your ideas!
  - Deadline: May 10, 2019

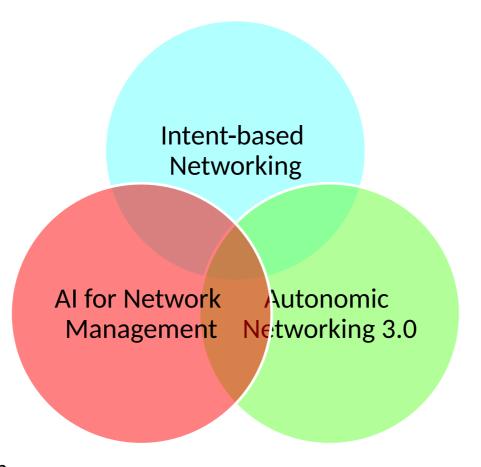
### **RG** information

- New co-chair to be announced in a few weeks
  - Situation cleared with new IRTF chair

- Two RG secretaries appointed
  - Jéferson Campos Nobre and Pedro Martinez Julia

Thank you and good luck!

# Research agenda



More details in

https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/stamp/stamp.jsp?arnumber=8334913 (page 15)

#### **Documents**

- 6-7 active (individual) documents
  - Some related to research agenda items
  - Some new/renewed proposals
  - Part of NMRG evolution discussion

# IBN topic - current work plan

as agreed at IETF100/Singapore

- How to call stuff
  - document(s) on terminology/taxonomy
- How to express/model intent
  - information model, grammar, languages
- How to realize Intent Based Systems
  - "reference" functional architecture, functional blocks/components, mechanisms/techniques, theory of operations/lifecycle
- Additional work items could also investigate
  - functions and techniques; use cases; what are the challenges and corresponding research items

# IBN topic - work plan update

#### Extend/Update with:

- Problem statement, scope, design challenges and goals
- Concepts definition
- Intent at design and run time, impact of CI/CD(?)
- Interoperability
- Continuous measure/validation of intent realization
- Evaluation, validation, implementation
- Deliverables, Milestones, Criteria for RG adoption
- Progressing the work (RG support)
  - Regular, dedicated virtual meetings (1 or 2 per month?)
  - Interim meetings: June, TBC; July-IETF105; October, TBC
  - Hackathon…?
  - Mailing list, other tools needed?

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#### Future of NMRG

- Some important questions and principles
  - What is our shared goal?
    - Define the collective outcome we want to achieve with the RG
  - Who is the public? Which communities?
    - Define the scope and beneficiaries
  - What is our approach / way of working?
  - What is the link with IETF?
  - Pluri-disciplinary
    - different, complementary competencies to solve problems
  - Cross-fertilization
    - provide and get knowledge from others, enrich our understandings, broaden our views

#### Future of NMRG

- Charter update to capture current focus (e.g. IBN) and milestones
- Inspiring talks e.g. at future IETF meetings
  - Hot Topics in Network Management
- "In-depth" survey
  - Change name? Charter? Stop NMRG?
  - Research topics?
  - Methods and tools?
  - Areas of improvement
  - Communities outreach. How, what for, what benefits?
  - How we run f2f, interim and virtual meetings
  - For all questions: clear proposals and motivations (why)!

#### Future of NMRG

- Some ideas and topics
  - Managing at ultra low and high scales and speed
  - Role and place of human (in the (management) loop), human-network interactions, instrumentation, visualization, trust/oversight
  - Post-NETCONF/YANG era
  - Site/Network Reliability Engineering field (SRE/NRE)
  - Foundations, principles, concepts, architectures, techniques, protocols, mechanisms, models, evaluations, benchmarking, tooling, toolchain, operations, lifecycle management
  - Application areas (IoT, 6G, nano-networks...)