
IAB Workshops



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Review of past IAB Workshops

Share with IETF community

- Among the IAB we had a discussion on what makes a successful workshop?
- I worked on reviewing past IAB workshops to gather insights
- Webpage - <https://www.iab.org/workshops/>
- Wiki - [https://wiki.ietf.org/en/group/iab/IAB Workshop Guidelines](https://wiki.ietf.org/en/group/iab/IAB%20Workshop%20Guidelines)
- Blog - <https://www.ietf.org/blog/iab-workshop-review/>

Purpose of IAB Workshops



- Internet Architecture Board (IAB) workshops are focused gatherings that bring together experts from the broader Internet community to discuss specific topics of interest related to
 - Internet architecture,
 - protocols,
 - standards,
 - future directions.

Success Factors



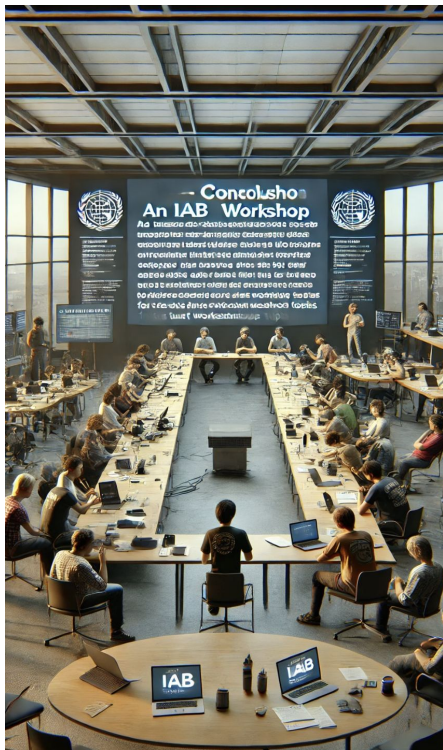
- Every workshop is different
- Holistic approach to consider various factors in judging the impact of the workshop...
 - Did it spark discussions that might be challenging to engage in other venues?
 - Did the workshop have the right and diverse set of participants?
 - Were the scope and objective of the workshop clear to its participants?
 - How was the quality of paper submissions and talks?
 - How well was the workshop organized?
 - Did the workshop produce clear follow-up action items?
 - How was the engagement before and after the workshop?
 - What was the long-term impact on work in IETF/Internet Research Task Force (IRTF)?

Key Outcomes



- Initiation of New IETF Standards: Certain workshops have directly led to the proposal and development of new IETF standards work, addressing emerging needs and technological advancements ([SUIT](#), [NETCONF](#), [LISP](#))
- Research Items for IRTF: Discussions and findings from some workshops have identified new areas of research, prompting the IRTF to establish research groups focused on these topics ([RASPRG](#))
- Creation of IAB Programs: to continue the discussions started at the workshop ([E-Impact Program](#))
- Clarity and Guidance: Workshops have provided essential insights and recommendations, helping to clarify complex issues for the community and guiding future actions and policies ([M-TEN](#), [Network Quality](#), [STRINT](#), [SEMI](#))
- Community Engagement and Collaboration: By bringing together experts from diverse backgrounds, workshops have fostered a spirit of collaboration, leading to strengthened ties within the IETF/IRTF community ([COVID-19](#), [ESCAPE](#))

Takeaway



- An IAB workshop is a tool that can be employed to improve the overall understanding of technical issues facing the Internet, explore emerging technologies, and help advance the future direction of Internet architecture and standards.
 - Do you have an idea for a workshop topic to address one of these kinds of issues?
 - Feel free to reach out to [individual IAB members](mailto:iab@iab.org) or iab@iab.org to start a discussion on potential ideas for future workshop topics.

**Join IABOpen session on Thursday (13:00-14:30)
to hear about upcoming IAB workshops -
AI-CONTROL & NEMOPS**

Thanks!

