



IAB report to the community for IETF 124

This is the IAB report for the period between IETF 123 and IETF 124. This report presents a summary of activities. More detailed information on many of the topics is also available at <https://www.iab.org>.

[Minutes of all IAB business calls are available in the Datatracker](#). The IAB business calls are open for observation. Formal [business meeting agendas](#), including connection details, are posted in advance in the Datatracker.

If you have issues you want to discuss over email, feel free to send your comments to the IAB as a whole at iab@iab.org. This mailing list includes all voting IAB members, the IRTF Chair (Dirk Kutscher), the IETF Executive Director (Jay Daley), the IETF Director of Communications and Operations (Greg Wood), Secretariat staff (Cindy Morgan, Liz Flynn), the IESG Liaison (Deb Cooley), the ISOC Liaisons (Olaf Kolkman, Ryan Polk, Sally Wentworth), and the Tools Liaison (Robert Sparks).

IAB Statements and Communications

The IAB has provided two sets of input to the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20. The IAB has published its [input on the Elements Paper](#) as well as its [input on the Zero Draft](#) as part of the WSIS+20 stakeholder consultation process.

Workshops and Workshop Reports

The IAB is completing its work on the [draft report](#) from the [IAB Workshop on AI-Control](#) and the [draft report](#) on the [workshop on the Next Era of Network Management Operations \(NEMOPS\)](#).

In early October, the IAB and W3C convened an in-person [workshop to examine the technical and architectural implications of different approaches to implementing age-based restrictions on access to online content](#). The initial draft of the workshop report is expected by the end of the calendar year.

The IAB will also be holding an online [Workshop on IP Address Geolocation](#) in the first week of December 2025. Submissions have been received, and invitations are going out.

New Work Help Desk

Some members of the IAB will be staffing a new work help desk in the IETF 124 registration area on Tuesday 11:00-11:30 and Thursday 16:30-17:00, local time. If you have any questions about how to get new work started in the IETF, please drop by and chat with us!

Appointments

In August, the IAB reappointed [Russ Housley and Barry Leiba to the Community Coordination Group \(CCG\)](#), which provides advice and guidance to the IETF Intellectual Property Management Corporation ([IPMC](#)) in matters related to the IANA trademarks and the IANA domain names.

In October, the IAB began a [search for Independent Submissions Editor \(ISE\)](#) candidates. The requirements and responsibilities for the role are documented in [RFC 8730, "Independent Submission Editor Model."](#) The deadline for nominations is Friday, 2025-11-07.

In early 2026, the IAB will be making one appointment to the Internet Society Board of Trustees. The call for nominations will go out shortly after IETF 124.

Liaison Coordination

The IAB Liaison Coordinators will hold office hours on Monday, 2025-11-03, 11:30-12:00, in the IAB Office (Crescent).

Liaison statements

Liaison statements are posted at <https://datatracker.ietf.org/liaison/>.

In July, the IAB adopted two documents that update RFCs on liaison management:

- [draft-iab-rfc4052bis: IAB Processes for Management of IETF Liaison Relationships](#)
- [draft-iab-rfc4053bis: Procedures for Handling Liaison Statements to and from the IETF](#)

Because both of these documents propose to obsolete BCPs, they will be turned over to the IESG for processing as AD-sponsored documents on the IETF stream after the IAB has run their process.

Liaison Report Highlights

- IANA Liaison: ICANN met 100% of processing goal times for the July, August, and September 2025 [monthly statistics reports](#), exceeding the SLA goal to meet 90% of processing goal times. These times include the steps that ICANN has control over and not time it is waiting on requesters, document authors or other experts.
- IRTF Chair: There is a new Proposed Research Group, "[Systems and Protocol Aspects for Circumstellar Environments Research Group \(SPACE\)](#)."

Outreach

The [IAB Outreach Coordinator](#) is responsible for planning, coordinating, and keeping track of the Outreach activities undertaken by the IETF Leadership.

At [RIPE 91](#), Suresh Krishnan, Mirja Kühlewind, and Éric Vyncke gave a plenary talk on [what's new at the IETF](#). Éric also organized a panel in the [Cooperation WG](#).

A [meeting](#) between some IAB members and the ICANN Board was held during [ICANN 84](#), and further activities are planned for ICANN 85.

Technical Programs and Administrative Support Groups

All active programs and groups are listed in the datatracker <https://datatracker.ietf.org/program/>.

The [IAB-ISOC Policy Coordination Group](#) met [several times](#) since IETF 123 to coordinate the Internet Society and the IAB's various Internet policy-related activities, especially as related to IGF and WSIS.

The [IETF-3GPP Coordination Group](#) will hold a meeting during IETF 124 to coordinate activities between the IETF and 3GPP.

The [IETF-IEEE Group](#) held a [joint leadership session](#) and a [DetNet – TSN workshop](#) on the Saturday after IETF 123. The group also [met again in October](#) to coordinate activities between IETF and IEEE 802.

The [Evolvability, Deployability, & Maintainability \(EDM\) Program](#) will hold a [meeting during IETF 124](#).

Documents

All documents the IAB has adopted and is working on can be found at <https://datatracker.ietf.org/stream/iab>.

Mailing lists

IAB-maintained mailing lists are listed at <https://www.iab.org/iab-mailing-lists/>.

Dhruv Dhody and Suresh Krishnan serve as the moderators for the architecture-discuss@iab.org mailing list. For program-specific lists, the program chairs act as moderators. As for all mailing lists of the IETF, we also expect professional behavior on our mailing lists.

Appeals

The IAB has received three appeals since IETF 123, for which responses are forthcoming:

- 2025-10-24: [Complaint to IAB regarding IESG decisions](#) (Daniel J. Bernstein)
- 2025-10-13: [Appeal to the IESG's action for UPA draft---RE: \[Lsr\] Protocol Action: 'IGP Unreachable Prefix Announcement' to Proposed Standard \(draft-ietf-lsr-igp-ureach-prefix-announce-11.txt\)](#) (Aijun Wang)
- 2025-10-06: [Complaint to IAB regarding non-transparency](#) (Daniel J. Bernstein) (PDF)
 - 2025-10-07: [Email: Complaint to the IAB regarding non-transparency](#)
 - 2025-10-14: [Email: Re: Complaint to IAB regarding non-transparency \[Addendum\]](#)
 - 2025-10-16: [Email: \[IAB\] Supplemental complaint to IAB regarding non-transparency](#)