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IETF 126 PROCON WG

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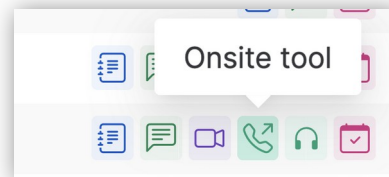
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Agenda

Admin [5 min]

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Working Group scope clarity [10min]

What can be achieved under current charter (Chairs)
Possible paths forward (Chairs)

Working Group Documents [50 min]

The Internet Standards Process (Rich Salz)
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-procon-2026bis/>

IETF Working Group Guidelines and Procedures (David Schinazi)
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-procon-2418bis/>

Other work [20min]

IETF Chair delegation (Lars Eggert)
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-eggert-ietf-chair-may-delegate>
<https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-eggert-ietf-chair-standin/> (Lars Eggert)

Next steps and AoB [20min]

Working group scope

- Perceived intention of WG

Chairs'/editors'/some others' perception of the discussion in the past year

- Focus has been on creating 2026bis and 2418bis that accurately and clearly document current process as it has been defined and agreed within the IETF community
- Constructive clarifications have been included
- *Extensions* and *changes* to policy have been deferred to future work

Working group scope

- Current course and speed

From discussion on the list in the last few months

Strict interpretation of our charter means that editorial fixes and alignment with reality are *out of scope*

- This would exclude changes e.g. to details that have changed (eg email addresses) which probably shouldn't have been in the original RFC to begin with
- Would exclude other documented changes in the IETF that we would like to not disagree with/use the current terminology
- Produce documents that are misleading insofar as they are wrong in some details

Current drafts (2026bis and 2418bis) are *not* in alignment with the strict interpretation of the charter

Working group scope

- Going forward

A couple of options, depending on what the WG and AD want to do:

1. Revise the documents (2026bis and 2418bis) to be in compliance with strict interpretation of the current charter
2. Update the charter to properly capture the intention of creating updated, usable process documentation for current reality. This still excludes consideration of new process changes, beyond those currently captured in the charter (chair delegation, WG milestones)

Working group scope

- Proposed text update for charter

CURRENT

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