

Codec BoF

IETF 76

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- Chat: <xmpp:codec@jabber.ietf.org?join>
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- Note takers and Jabber scribes

Agenda Bashing

- Note Well, logistics, agenda bashing (5 minutes)
- Progress to date (10 minutes)
- Is it reasonable to do this work at the IETF? (45 minutes)
- Charter discussion (45 minutes)
- Questions to be answered (15 minutes)

Progress to Date (I)

- BoF at IETF 75 established: (1) perceived need and (2) interested participants
- Lack of consensus about whether to form a Working Group
- Open issues after IETF 75: (1) work process (2) requirements (3) ITU-T coordination

Progress to Date (2)

- Since IETF 75:
 - draft-valin-codec-guidelines (00-02)
 - draft-valin-codec-requirements (00-02)
- Much discussion about these on the list
- Emerging consensus about work processes and requirements, but still open issues

Progress to Date (3)

- Ongoing coordination with the ITU-T, specifically Study Group 16
- ITU-T re-iterating their willingness to assist in any way possible
- Several possible approaches discussed (e.g., publish a codec as PS and then submit it to the ITU-T for evaluation & consideration)

Progress to Date (4)

- Several revisions of draft charter
- Need for high-quality audio codec that:
 - (1) is optimized for the Internet
 - (2) is under change control at a standards development organization
 - (3) can be widely implemented and easily distributed (e.g., royalty free)

Where to Do This Work?

- ITU-T Study Group 16?
- Codec WG at the IETF?
- Ad-hoc group similar to recent Internet development efforts? (e.g., OpenID)
- SDO not listed here?
- Other approach?

Seeding the Discussion...

- Informational presentations about two possible approaches:
 - ITU-T Study Group 16 (Yusuke Hiwasaki)
 - Proposed IETF Codec WG (Jean-Marc Valin)
- 10-15 minutes each (with clarifying questions only), then discussion