

IETF Trust Report

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Trust Chair Update



- Trustees removed Marshall Eubanks as Chair on 25 October 2012.
 - Pursuant to Trust Administrative Procedures:
(http://trustee.ietf.org/docsTrust_Procedures_2008.pdf)
- Trustees elected Ole Jacobsen on 25 October 2012 to serve until March 2013.

Subpoenas & Legal Requests



- BT v. CoxCom v. Cable One - 4 Oct
IP Differential QoS
- inNOVA Patent Licensing LLC v. Alcatel-Lucent Holdings - 6 Oct
DKIM
- Alberta Telecommunications Research Center v. AT&T - 9 Oct
MPLS
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- The IETF Trust was founded by CNRI and the Internet Society (AKA the Settlers).
 - <http://iaoc.ietf.org/docs/IETF-Trust-Agreement-Executed-12-15-05.pdf>
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- It exists to hold intellectual and other property of the IETF “for the advancement of the science and technology associated with the Internet and related technology.”
- It has a legal existence as a Trust in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- There are 9 Trustees, the members of the IAOC.
- The Trustees have a fiduciary duty to protect the IETF’s property!

The IETF Trust Legal Provisions

- The IETF Trust is currently operating under Trust Legal Provisions (TLP) 4.0.
 - Effective Date: December 15, 2009
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