Advertising Per-node Administrative Tags in OSPF

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Rationale

- Node color is used for describing path constraints
 - IP paths
 - MPLS paths
- there is a category of path constraints which requires that a certain path should or should not be routed over a node with specific properties.
 - go over the packet-optical super-core
 - don't go over any other PE router
 - don't go over equipment from vendor X
 - don't go over equipment which is running software version x.y.z.
 - don't go over nodes with limited hardware capabilities (e.g. LB)
 - de-prefer nodes which don't have good hardware based latency measurements

Per-Node Admin Tag TLV

- New TLV in Router Information LSA
 - List of 32-bit admin tags (node colors)
 - Maximum of 64 admin tags
 - Meaning of tag values defined by local policy via configuration.

Application Examples

Service auto-discovery

 Discover routers to which TE tunnels should be built to automate full mesh TE tunnels.

Fast-reroute with LFA

- Policy to prefer backup paths through core routers instead of edge routers.
- Policy to not waste resources performing LFA forward SPF calculations rooted at specific routers
- Policy to exclude nodes that will not accept incoming targeted-LDP sessions from consideration as remote tunnel endpoints