

PIM Join Attribute Assignment Policy Update

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Join Attribute allocation

- Current policy is IETF review
 - Requires an RFC
- Publishing an RFC often takes at least 6-12 months, in some cases like the LISP join/attributes, much longer
- Vendors may want to ship a new solution using join attributes, and waiting more than a year for a join attribute is problematic.

New proposed policy

- This draft proposes Specification Required
 - Defined in BCP 26 (RFC 5226)
 - Values and their meanings must be documented in a permanent and readily available public specification, in sufficient detail so that interoperability between independent implementations is possible. When used, Specification Required also implies use of a Designated Expert, who will review the public specification and evaluate whether it is sufficiently clear to allow interoperable implementations.