RSE Report

IETF 92

Dallas, US

RPC Contract

- RPC contract is required to go out to bid in 2015
- A vendor selection committee has been chosen, as per guidance in RFC 6635
  - Committee members: Heather Flanagan (RSE, Chair), Ray Pelletier (IAD), Sarah Banks, Randy Bush, Bob Hinden, Alexey Melnikov
- Timeline:
  - ***March 2015: revised SoW to go out for community comment***
  - May 2015: Revised SoW to the IAOC for inclusion into a final
  - June 2015: RFP to be issued
  - September/October 2015: Contract to be awarded

Experimental Writing Lab

- The RFC Editor held an experimental writing lab during IETF 91 aimed at helping authors improve their documents
- Ten authors participated
- Findings:
  - Very positive feedback from the participants
  - A significant work load on the RPC
- Suggestions going forward:
  - RSE considering the creation of a mailing list for English language usage questions, with volunteers from the community participating to help other authors
  - RPC will continue to update the Tips & Tricks document that highlights common issues that the RPC sees in editing documents and will offer additional support as resources allow
  - **Please send your suggestions to rfc-interest@rfc-editor.org!**

For those of you interested in some pointers for your own drafts, see
http://www.rfc-editor.org/writing_resources.html

Format Update

- Most of the drafts are now "stable" (to be updated as we learn more through implementation)
  - See the Format FAQ for the current list of drafts associated with this project

  <http://www.rfc-editor.org/rse/FormatFAQ.html>

- The community comment period for the SoWs closed; now waiting for the last drafts to finish before sending the SoWs out attached to an RFP

Other Projects Underway

- DOI assignment – now in the programming phase
  - DOIs to be assigned to all past and present RFCs by end of April 2015
- RFC Editor website redesign – now in the programming phase
  - scripts being updated to exist in the new WordPress framework
- Google Scholar
  - RFC Editor has completed everything the Google Scholar engineers have requested; now waiting for the actual indexing

RSE Avenues of Communication

- The RSE wiki
  - http://www.rfc-editor.org/rse/wiki

- rfc-interest mailing list
  - http://www.rfc-editor.org/mailman/listinfo/rfc-interest

- RFC Series Oversight Committee (RSOC)
  - http://www.iab.org/activities/programs/rfc-editor-program/