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Human Rights Protocol Considerations (hrpc)

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• https://github.com/nllz/IRTF-HRPC

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Minutes

Intro website
https://hrpc.io
Agenda

Human Rights Protocols Considerations (hrpc) research group sessions at #IETF96 [time] UTC +2, July # 2016

- Beginning (5 min)
  Jabber scribe, note takers
  Agenda Bashing
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- Introduction
- Status of research group & documents (2 min)
- Context of research (5 mins)
- Presentation + Q&A - Laura DeNardis on Protocol Politics (15 mins)
- Presentation + Q&A - UN Special Rapporteur Human Rights David Kaye on report 'Freedom of expression and the private sector in the digital age' (15 mins)
- Presentation + Q&A - Alissa Cooper on lessons learned from RFC6973 (15 mins)
- Discussion of draft-tenoever-hrpc-research (15 mins)
  - recent changes + reviews
  - experiences in using it while evaluating other drafts
    - Shane Kerr
    - Giovane C. M. Moura
  - next steps
- Open discussion other drafts, papers, ideas (15 min)
- Next steps (5 min)
- AOB

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Status of proposed research group

- October, 27, 2014 - Publication of Proposal for research on human rights protocol consideration
- IETF91 - November, 13, 2014: Presentation during saag session
- March 9, 2015 - Publication of Proposal for research on human rights protocol considerations - 01
- January 2015 - Proposed research group in the IRTF
- IETF92 - March 22 to 27, 2015 – Session & Interviews with members from the community
- June 2015 - Interim Meeting
- July 2015 - Publication of Methodology and Glossary drafts
- IETF93 - July 2015 – Session
- IETF94 November 2015 – Screening of film Net of Rights, updates of Glossary, Methodology, Report drafts, Users draft, paper, session
- December 2015 – Research Group chartered
- IETF95 April 2016 – Session, new Research draft, updated Report and Censorship draft, & 3 talks
- IETF96 July 2016 – Session new Research Draft – road tests, reviews, text & 3 talks

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Context and objective of the RG

- To expose the relation between protocols and human rights, with a focus on the rights to freedom of expression and freedom of assembly.

- To propose guidelines to protect the Internet as a human-rights-enabling environment in future protocol development, in a manner similar to the work done for Privacy Considerations in RFC 6973.

- To increase the awareness in both the human rights community and the technical community on the importance of the technical workings of the Internet and its impact on human rights.
(Another step is to choose leaders that we trust to exercise their good judgement and do the right thing. But we're already trying to do that.)

4. Issues with Scoping the IETF's Mission

4.1. The Scope of the Internet

A very difficult issue in discussing the IETF's mission has been the scope of the term "for the Internet". The Internet is used for many things, many of which the IETF community has neither interest nor competence in making standards for.

The Internet isn't value-neutral, and neither is the IETF. We want the Internet to be useful for communities that share our commitment to openness and fairness. We embrace technical concepts such as decentralized control, edge-user empowerment and sharing of resources, because those concepts resonate with the core values of the IETF community. These concepts have little to do with the technology that's possible, and much to do with the technology that we choose to create.
Laura DeNardis

- Internet Governance Scholar
- Professor in the School of Communication at American University in Washington, D.C
- Senior Fellow of the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)
- Director of Research for the Global Commission on Internet Governance
David Kaye

- UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression

- Clinical professor of law at the University of California, Irvine, School of Law
Alissa Cooper
– Distinguished Engineer at Cisco Systems
– Applications and Real-Time (ART) area director
– RFC6462, 6280, 5594, 7721, 6973, etc
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Corinne Cath
Let’s hear from the testers (i)

Shane Kerr
Let’s hear from the testers (ii)

Giovane C.M. Moura
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- Next steps

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if write code(protocols):
    consider human rights implications
elif run internet infrastructure:
    respect human rights
elif engage in internet governance:
    build in human rights protections
else
    carry on and use FLOSS