

# NMRG Virtual Meeting

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# Goals of the IRTF

**The IRTF conducts research ; it is not a standards development organization**

The Internet Research Task Force (IRTF) focuses on longer term research issues related to the Internet

The Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) focuses on shorter term issues of engineering and standards making

While the IRTF can publish informational or experimental documents in the RFC series, its primary goal is to promote development of research collaboration and teamwork in exploring research issues related to Internet protocols, applications, architecture, and technology.

See “An IRTF Primer for IETF Participants” – [RFC 7418](#)

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- BCP 9 (Internet Standards Process)
- BCP 25 (Working Group processes)
- BCP 25 (Anti-Harassment Procedures)
- BCP 54 (Code of Conduct)
- BCP 78 (Copyright)
- BCP 79 (Patents, Participation)
- <https://www.ietf.org/privacy-policy/> (Privacy Policy)

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Please remember that **sessions are being recorded**

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- **Keep yourself muted** unless you are speaking
- If you want to speak/comment,
  - In the Webex chat, type:
    - 'RH' (Raise Hand)
    - 'LH' (Lower Hand)
  - Respect the line i.e. speak when it's your turn; the Chairs will manage the queue
  - State your name
  - Stay to the point, be concise and precise

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- Agenda: <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/agenda-interim-2021-nmrg-01-nmrg-01/>
- Materials: <https://datatracker.ietf.org/meeting/interim-2021-nmrg-01/session/nmrg>
- Webex: <https://ietf.webex.com/ietf/j.php?MTID=m82628046e48984c53ab7998c1788ad9f>
- Notes: <https://codimd.ietf.org/nmrg-online-20210126#>
- Recording: WebEx recording will be available after the meeting on the YouTube IETF Channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8dtK9njBLdFnBahHFp0eZQ>
- Attendance: please add your name at the bottom on the Notes page (<https://codimd.ietf.org/nmrg-online-20210126#>)

# Agenda

## **1. Meeting introduction, Chairs**

18:00 - 05 min

1.1 New participant: Nikhil Handigol, Forward Networks

## **2. Status on IBN Concepts and Definitions, Alex Clemm, draft-irtf-nmrg-ibn-concepts-definitions**

18:05 - 05 min

## **3. Status on Intent Classification, Olga Havel, draft-irtf-nmrg-ibn-intent-classification**

18:10 - 10 min -

## **4. IBN Use Cases "work session"**

18:20 - 60 min

4.1 Short presentations on use cases in scope of NMRG

4.2 What do we want to achieve: common objectives (inputs to reference model, lessons learned) and end result

4.3 What do we want/need to document: common description, requirements, functional blocks, validation aspects...

## **5. IBN activities outside of NMRG (ZSM, TMF...), Laurent Ciavaglia**

19:20 - 15 min

## **6. (TBC) Status on Research Challenges in AI for NM, Jérôme**

19:35 - 10 min

## **7. Any other business?**

19:45 - 15 min

20:00 - end of meeting

# Future meetings

Online interim in February?

March 2021, IETF 110, *Online*

- A 2hr session has been requested

Until further notice, the default mode of operation will increasingly rely on:

- [Monthly Virtual Meetings](#)
- [Mailing list](#)
- [Collaborative platforms \(e.g. Github, Google Docs, etc.\)](#)

Do not hesitate to share your questions, ideas or needs with the groups or chairs !

# Agenda item #2

## Status on IBN Concepts and Definitions



# Agenda item #3

## Status on Intent Classification

# Agenda item #4

## IBN Use Cases

### IBN Use Cases

- Work plan item #5:  
*" Define appropriate validation scenarios and use cases describing concrete examples of intent expressions and functions.  
Goal: assess the quality and completeness of specifications and evaluate intent-based systems functionalities in experimental settings."*
- Considerations
  - Use cases of interest: e.g. on 5G/Network Slicing, Enterprise/DC networking and operations, Smart-x (-home, -city...)
  - Definition of guidelines, common structure, expectations, use case template
  - Connection with Intent Classification

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<https://github.com/jcnobre/draft-nobre-nmrg-ibn-use-cases>

Positive feedback already received from: Amina, Luis, Jeff, Jéferson, Laurent, Alex...

**Next steps...:** work sessions, use case template...

# Agenda item #5

## IBN activities outside of NMRG

### ETSI ZSM

- New Group Report (GR) starting in ETSI ZSM ISG on Intent-based management, ZSM011. Scope and latest draft on available in Open area: <https://docbox.etsi.org/ISG/ZSM/Open>

### TMF AN project

- Ongoing activity on intent modeling in TMF Autonomous Networks Project. AN technical architecture report available (for registered users)

### Position of NMRG IBN activities?

# Agenda item #6

## Status on Research Challenges in AI for NM

Agenda item #7  
Any other business?