IRTF Status Report

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IRTF Role & Scope:

The IRTF serves as the research counterpart to the IETF.

Organized under the auspices of the IAB.

Goals are to: (1) foster Internet-related research, and (2) develop preliminary technology needed for IETF efforts (includes responding to IETF needs).

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Currently, 13 RGs.

Generally long-lived, usually without specific deliverables.

Most operate open, some closed.

Closed ones maintain an open, public mailing list.

http://www.irtf.org/

Recent changes/news:

Anti-Spam RG now active:

http://www.irtf.org/charters/asrg.html

Searchable Internet Resource Names RG now active:

http://www.irtf.org/charters/siren.html

Internet Digital Rights Management RG has closed.

Pending:

Possible "layer 3 mobility" RG to take on research issues, simulation/evaluation of Mobile IP. (Doesn't preclude a more general mobility group in the future.)

Peer-to-peer RG hopefully formed in 4-6 weeks.

The IRTF may need to formulate an IPR policy similar to the IETF's.

Looking to move IRTF-related mailing addresses from ietf.org to irtf.org.

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