

Getting Traction on TDM

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The Long Pole in the Test

- Fairly firm consensus on all encapsulations except TDM
- Getting consensus on unstructured TDM is plausible
- Consensus on structured TDM is as far away now as it was when the WG started.
- Root cause of the problem a mixture of conflicting commercial interests and lack of expertise.
- The TDM work cannot be allowed to defocus or to jeopardise the other outputs of the PWE3 WG.

The Four Options

1. draft-vainshtein-cesopsn-06.txt becomes the WG approach.
draft-anavi becomes informational
2. draft-anavi-tdmoip-05.txt becomes the WG approach.
draft-vainshtein becomes informational
3. Remove structured TDM from the PWE3 WG charter.
All work on structured TDM ceases.
draft-stein-pwe3-stpp-00.txt (or draft-vainshtein-pwe3-ucesopsn-00.txt) becomes the WG approach.
draft-anavi and draft-vainshtein become informational.
4. Remove TDM from the PWE3 WG charter, and cease all work on the TDM.
Anything on TDM becomes informational.

Unstructured drafts

- draft-stein-pwe3-stpp-00.txt is the only current unstructured draft.
 - Does not have RTP support.
 - Need to evaluate if RTP is useful, and add if needed.
- Alternative is to resurrect draft-vainshtein-pwe3-ucesopsn-00.txt

Resolving the deadlock

- Split the structured and the unstructured work.
- If a single structured draft, co-authored by both design teams is not submitted to the WG by 1st September 2003, then the WG chairs will ask the IESG to remove structured TDM from the PWE3 charter.
- If there is not strong consensus on a single unstructured draft by the end of IETF-58, the the WG chairs will also ask the IESG to remove all TDM work from the PWE3 charter.

Comments?