

# TechSpec BoF

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# Agenda

- 09h00 Administrivia
  - Jabber scribe/minutes taker
  - Agenda bash
- 09h05 Overview & Introduction [Leslie Daigle]
- 09h10 Review and discussion of open issues [Stephen Hayes, Allison Mankin]
  - draft-mankin-pub-req
- 10h30 Discussion of any other requirements
- 11h00 Determination of where from here for requirements documentation.

# Introduction -- what this is

- This is a review of the requirements for the process and structure of technical specification publication that is critical to the IETF's work.
- Constructive enumeration and expression of IETF publication requirements, without prejudice as to whether the requirements are currently met or not.
- Input
  - draft-mankin-pub-req
- Mailing list
  - techspec@ietf.org
- Intention going forward: a community-reviewed document (BCP or otherwise, as appropriate).

# This is one piece of a puzzle

- Overall timeline
  - <http://www1.ietf.org/mail-archive/web/ietf/current/msg40840.html>
- Straw proposal of RFC Editor Charter
  - <http://www1.ietf.org/mail-archive/web/ietf/current/msg40842.html>
- Defining IETF technical specification publication requirements
  - TechSpec BoF (right here, right now!)

# Pertinent piece of draft timeline

- Apr 15 2006 [TechSpec]
  - Target reasonable consensus document.
- Apr 15 2006 [IETF]
  - Start of 4 week last call of TechSpec document
- Apr 15 2006 [IAB]
  - Revised RFC Editor charter.
- May 7 2006[IASA]
  - Request for Vendor Expressions of Interest
- May 15 2006
  - Close of last call of TechSpec document
- *June 1 2006*
  - *Approval version of last called TechSpec document*

# Introduction -- what this is not

- Not now:
  - Discussion of whether output is referred to as RFCs or ISDs, what "is" an RFC
  - Critique of the existing RFC Editor/publication activity
  - Discussion of specific publication formats is out of scope.
- Later:
  - Once there is community agreement on what the basic requirements are....
  - Separate discussion of how to map this to existing, modified, or new publication activities -- thereby addressing the out of scope points above.