Operators and the IETF
Standardizing the future, together
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The Dream

In a perfect world...

• The IETF creates standard protocols with operator input and they work great

• Deployment and operationalization concerns are consistently addressed

• The level of operator engagement makes sense when compared to vendor and academic involvement

• Operators always know when their input is needed

• Operators always provide their input when it’s needed
The Reality

Many operators are not engaged enough...

• A significant portion of operators (particularly mid/small size) don’t join IETF mailing lists nor do they show up to IETF meetings

• Academics and vendors rule many decision making processes within the IETF

• The operators expected to deploy these technologies often don’t even know that they are being developed

• Critical new technologies are being developed with little to no direct operator input

• Things may be and often are broken…
The Plan

Facilitate increased operator input into the IETF...

• First, we’re here, listening to you: talk to us!

• Next, we’ll analyze everything we hear from operators around the world and show the results and message to the IETF

• Then, we’ll come back with some proposed solutions for your review

• Finally, towards the end of this year, we hope to start implementing the solutions that work for you, the operators!
The Opportunity

• This is your opportunity to tell us... (we’ll try to fix it!)

• Find Chris, Dan, Jan, or Megan and tell us why you do or don’t participate in the IETF, we’d all love to chat with you!

• Participate in our online survey:
  • https://internetsociety2.wufoo.com/forms/operators-and-the-ietf/
  • The survey will close on 31 June 2014