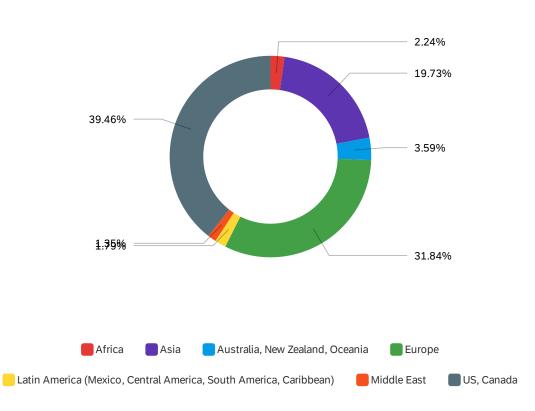
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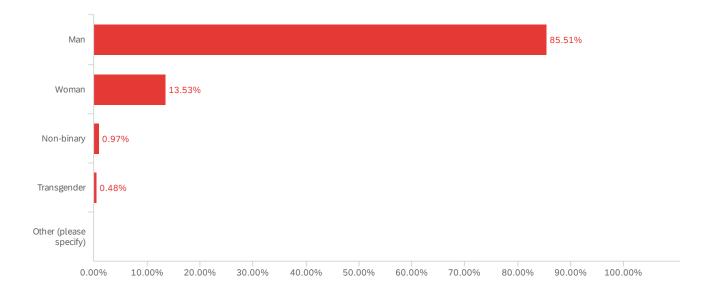
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Q1 - In what region do you live?

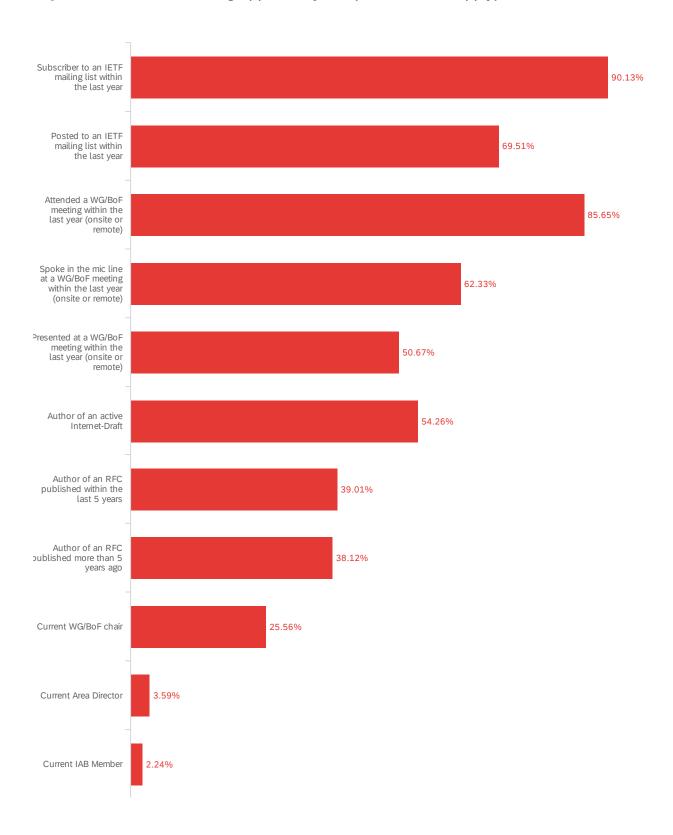


Field	Choice C	Count
US, Canada	39.46%	88
Europe	31.84%	71
Asia	19.73%	44
Australia, New Zealand, Oceania	3.59%	8
Africa	2.24%	5
Latin America (Mexico, Central America, South America, Caribbean)	1.79%	4
Middle East	1.35%	3
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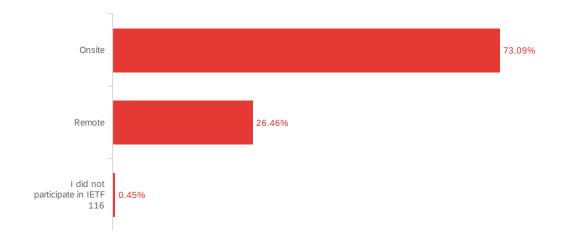
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Q2 - Which of the following applies to you? (check all that apply)



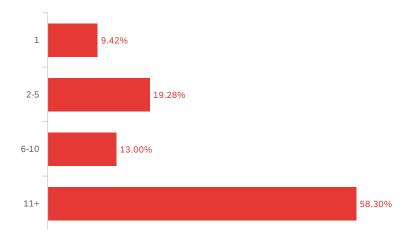
$\mbox{Q3}$ - How did you participate in the IETF 116 meeting that has just finished? (If you spent an...



Field	Choice Count
Onsite	73.09% 163
Remote	26.46% 59
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.45% 1
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Q4 - How many IETF Meetings have you participated in? (including this meeting)

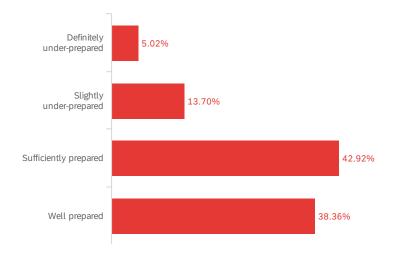


Field	Choice Count
1	9.42% 21
2-5	19.28% 43
6-10	13.00% 29
11+	58.30% 130

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Q8 - How well prepared were you for participating in IETF 116?



Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
How well prepared were you for participating in IETF 116?	3.15	0.84	219	18.72%	81.28%

Q9 - What could the IETF do to help you prepare?

What could the IETF do to help you prepare?

The aforementioned prep session.

Encourage the IETF guides to try and make time for their mentees. Same is true for the meetees too.

To let new comers know which documents should read in advance.

Enable to meet with other scieintists and researchers involved in IETF

Hold on on-line session re what to expect from your first IETF about a month before the meeting.

The last thing anyone needs is more work, but I wonder if it would be possible for IETF meeting preparers (for the meeting itself and for working groups) to produce a summary (or two) of key items relating each area of the upcoming meeting. The email lists are useful but the added email traffic from all directions ahead of meetings creates a situation where important details can get by (me) the reader. I find myself pouring through many emails searching for important highlights and occasional miss a useful item. Maybe there is already a repository of such summarized information that I am overlooking.

There is always the rush to refamiliarize myself with the tools for enabling slide presentations and queue management: MeetEcho keeps getting better and better, thank you! Love that you've added more sessions for chairs to create mock sessions with the tool.

Nada

Maybe I didn't see it, but it could have been useful to put clear instructions on the immigration requirements, QR code etc. on the meeting web page. I did the health-related registration but was apparently missing the customs QR code which delayed my immigration.

Post an agenda much sooner. Part of the justification for my company to sponsor the travel and time is that they must see some kind of return, but without an agenda it is hard to get approvals for the travel, especially international travel. Things that are always going to happen, like DNSOP, could be announced much, much sooner.

post the WG agenda in time

Help focus discussions and find a way for WG participants to address questions on time.

What could the IETF do to help you prepare?

Publish the main agnda and the agendas of the WG sessions earlier (leaving more time for preparation) All good IETF-wise, just not enough time available :-) nothing WG agendas and slides at least a full week ahead of time Get those WG agendas published on time, and get the slides uploaded long enough before the meeting. On-demand training on how to publish and contribute to a draft. nothing Nothing reduce the amount of email flooding (new ID announcements) Finalise the agenda earlier Need documentation that is shorter than the RFC's to be discussed at WG meetings. Route guides from Yokohama station or Minato-mirai station The blogs prior to the IETF that tell about what it hot and what to expect help a lot. I have interests in DTN routing. Nothing, need time to read drafts and IETF can't help with that. Making clear and multiple announcements when social event is open. Better to increase the capacity of the venue of

Nothing. This is a day job issue.

social event.

What could the IETF do to help you prepare?

Open a terminal room before the meetings, like on Sunday. Biggest terminal room and more seats.

Send links to relevant documents such as lifecycle of a working group document, the Tao of IETF, etc, which give me a sense of how things work. It's possible that these were sent and I just missed them, so if so, apologies!

Find more comfortable hotels that in wonderful rate

Make the available rooms for side meetings earlier available to plan and inform peers earlier,

It would be great if IETF could post the final agenda sooner, and require that each WG post their agendas sooner as well.

Invent 30 hour days? Or nine-day weeks?

Hold the meeting a week later

(Give me more time to read the drafts. :-)

Nothing really, the main challenge remains time

Publish agenda early! Even if WG slots are not allocated the overall structures on when would be breaks, plenary, social could be announced way way early!!!

Perhaps a longer black-out period for submission?

The draft deadline is very helpful. Last-minute slides are not helpful.

Better information about the actual location of the North conference center would have been helpful and might have resulted in choosing a different and closer hotel.

not much

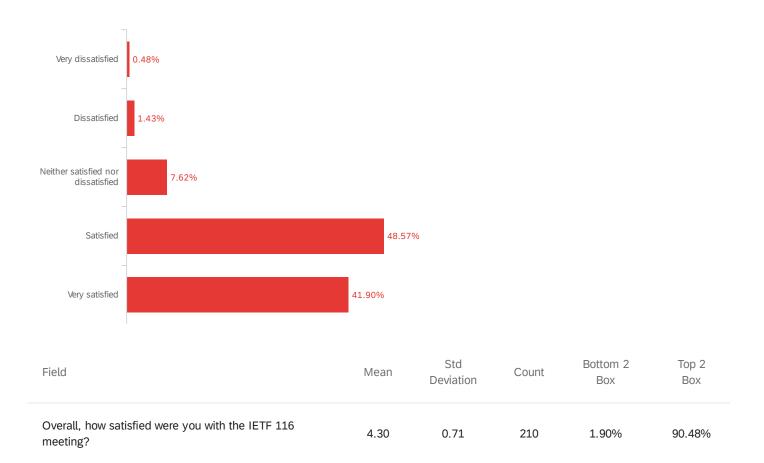
Slightly earlier ID-cutoff to allow people (including me) more time to review drafts - especially new work.

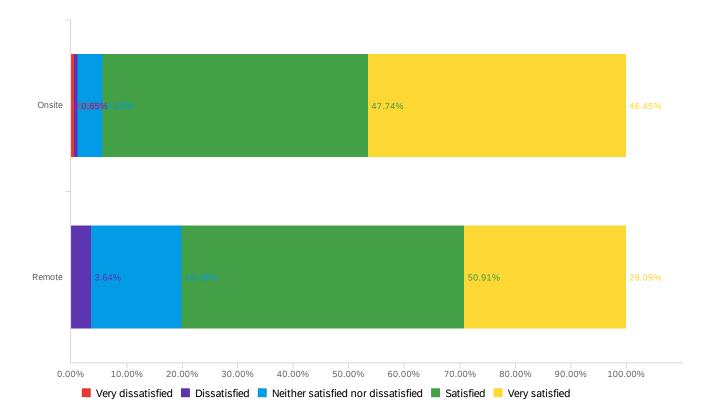
Make agendas and slides available earlier.

More blog posts/text-backed methods would be useful for non-native English speakers. The captions on the sessions were okay, but could have been better

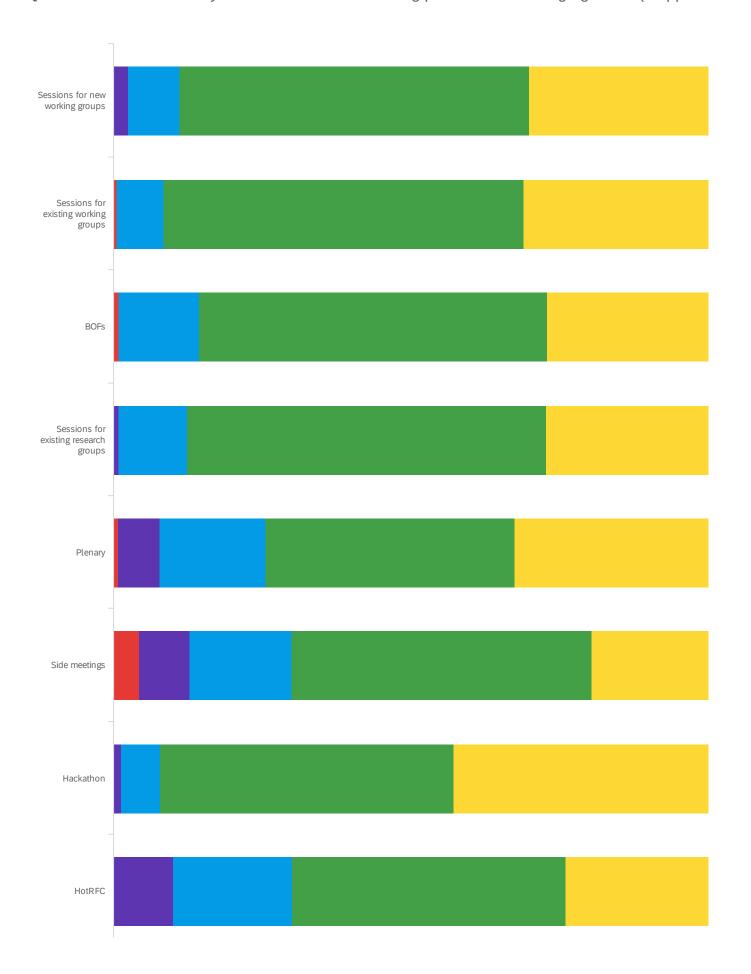
Link to documentation or a first participants guide in the booking confirmation email. The only action item I found in there was to order a t-shirt. I would have liked to read about what will happen. I was especially surprised to now find my presenation on YouTube and am afraid of the repercussions this will have in my job.

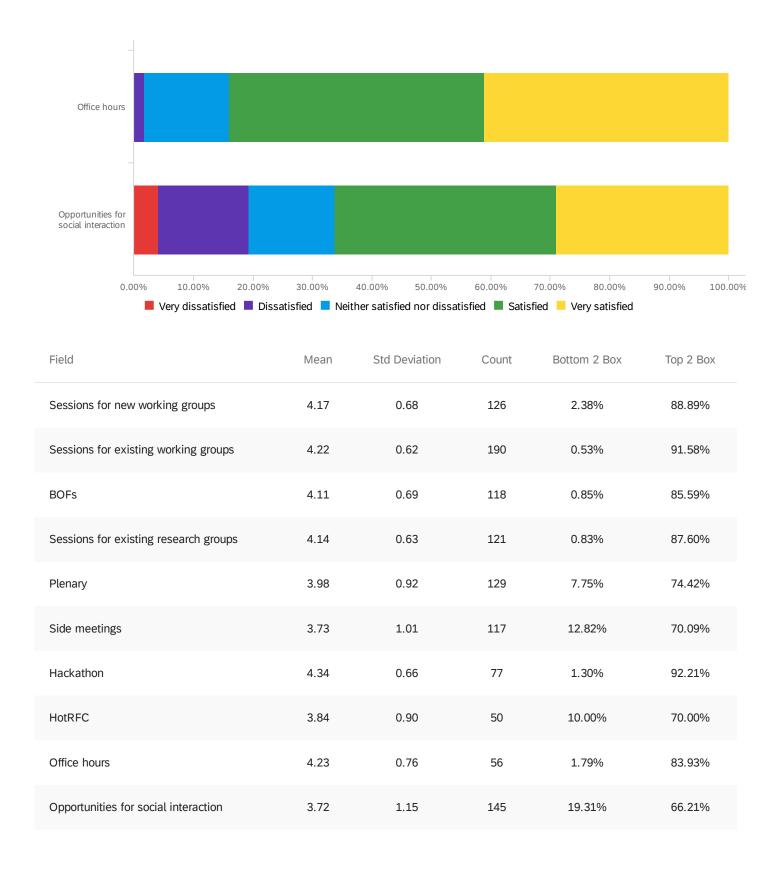
Q10 - Overall, how satisfied were you with the IETF 116 meeting?

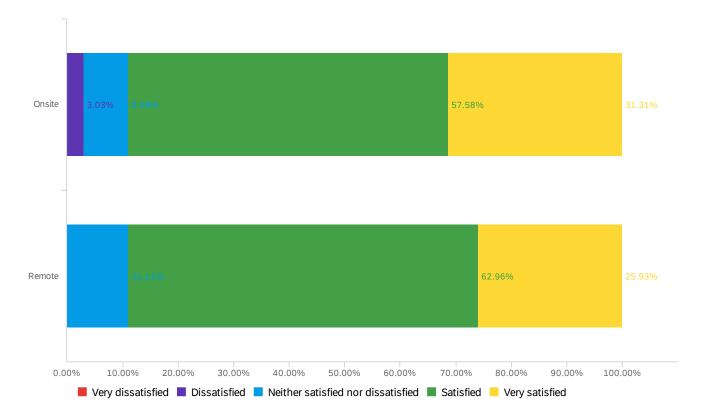




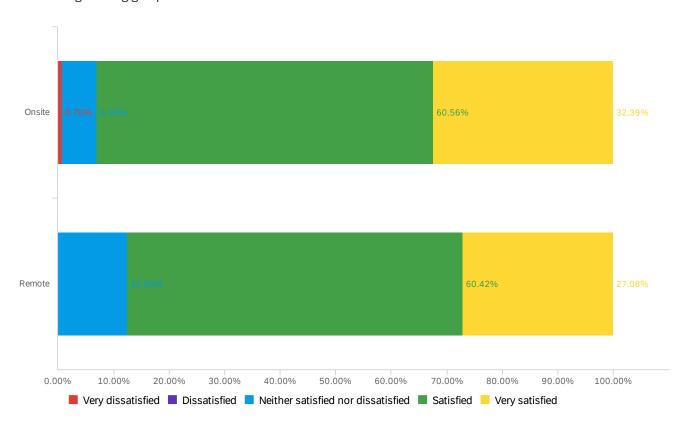
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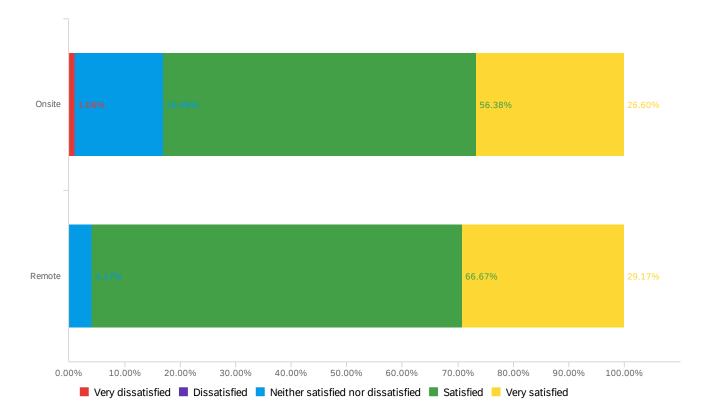




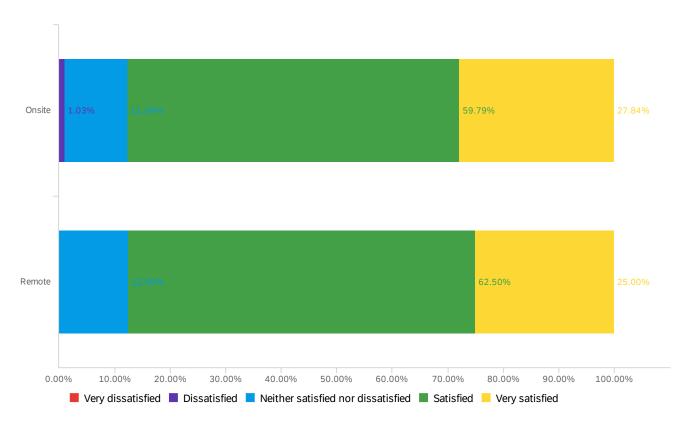
Sessions for existing working groups



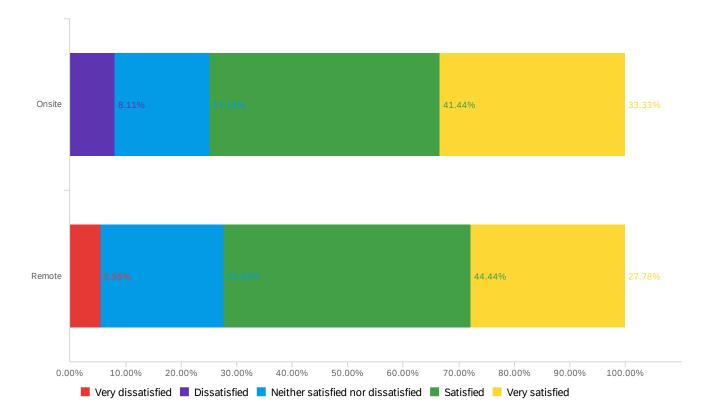
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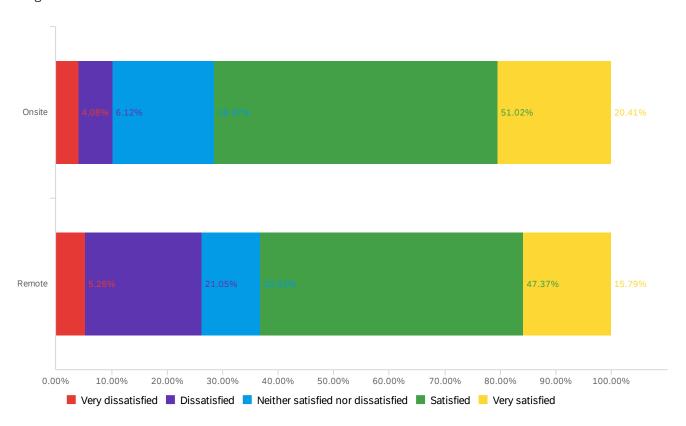
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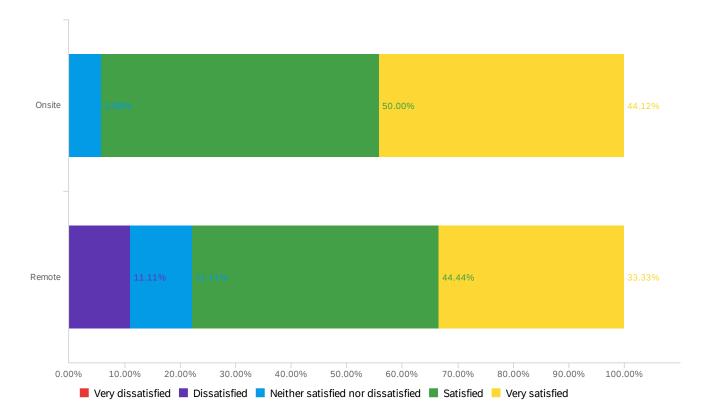
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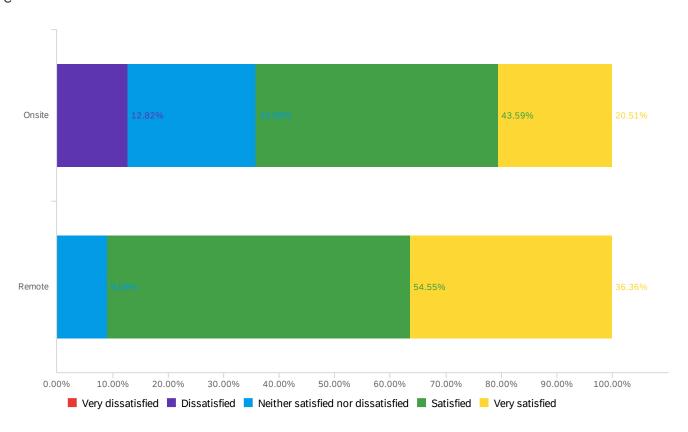
Side meetings



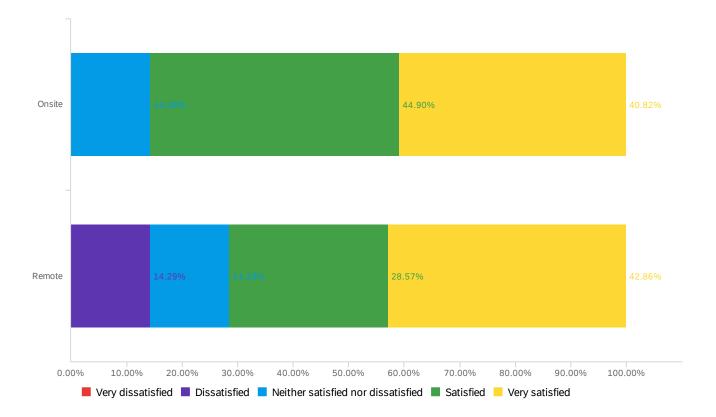
Hackathon



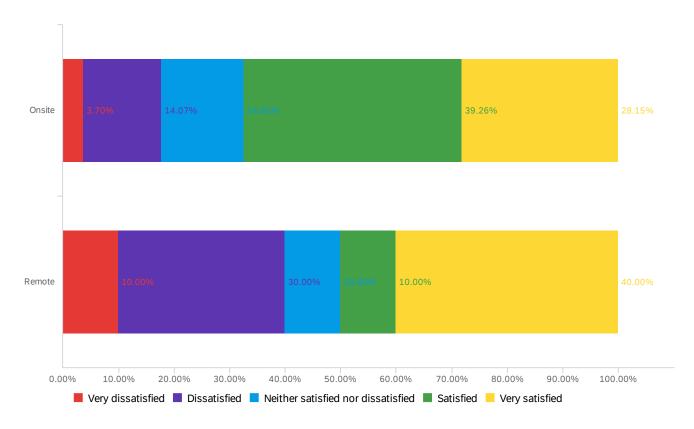
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Office hours



Opportunities for social interaction



Sessions for new working groups

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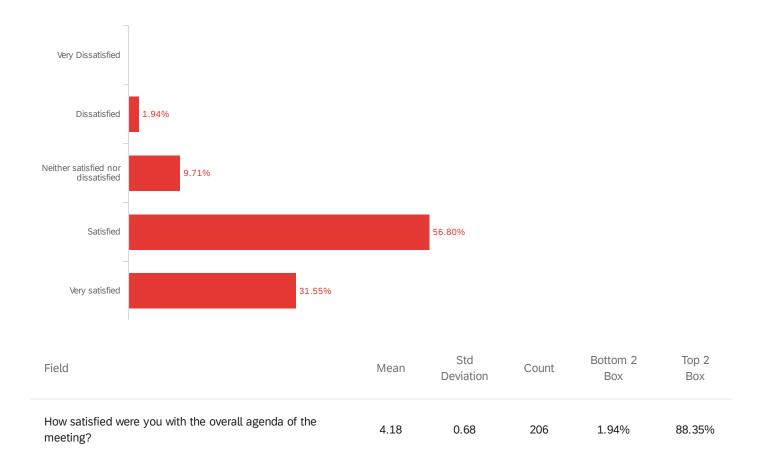
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Remote	4.15	0.59	27	0.00%	88.89%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
Sessions for existing working groups					
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Onsite	4.24	0.63	142	0.70%	92.96%
Remote	4.15	0.61	48	0.00%	87.50%
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BOFs					
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Onsite	4.07	0.72	94	1.06%	82.98%
Remote	4.25	0.52	24	0.00%	95.83%
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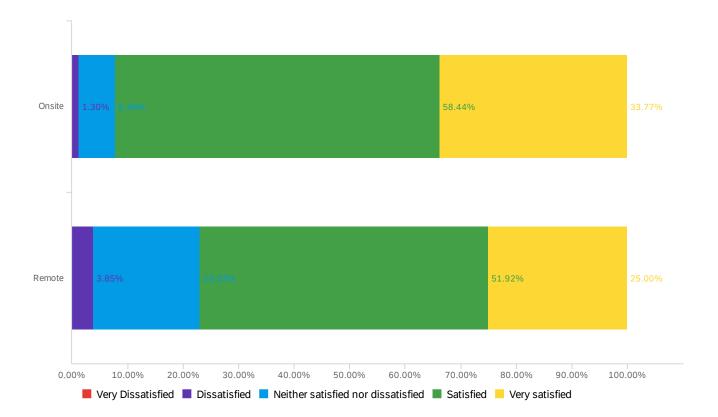
Plenary	
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Onsite	4.00	0.91	111	8.11%	74.77%
Remote	3.89	0.99	18	5.56%	72.22%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
Side meetings					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	3.78	0.97	98	10.20%	71.43%
Remote	3.47	1.14	19	26.32%	63.16%
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Hackathon					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Тор 2 Вох
Onsite	4.38	0.59	68	0.00%	94.12%
Remote	4.00	0.94	9	11.11%	77.78%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
HotRFC					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	3.72	0.93	39	12.82%	64.10%
Remote	4.27	0.62	11	0.00%	90.91%

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I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
Office hours					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Тор 2 Вох
Onsite	4.27	0.69	49	0.00%	85.71%
Remote	4.00	1.07	7	14.29%	71.43%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
Opportunities for social interaction					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Тор 2 Вох
Onsite	3.74	1.12	135	17.78%	67.41%
Remote	3.40	1.50	10	40.00%	50.00%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%

Q12 - How satisfied were you with the overall agenda of the meeting?



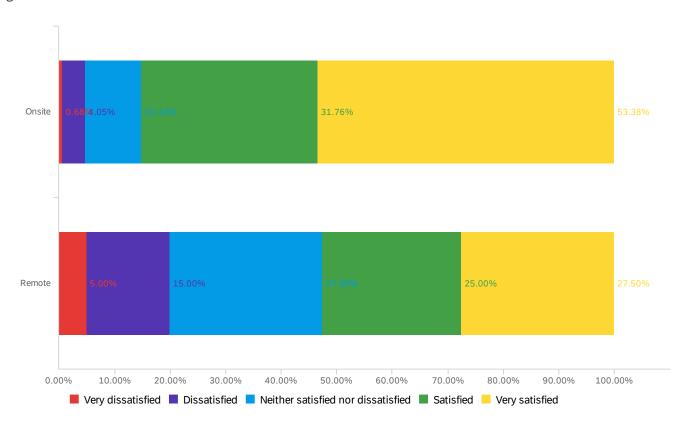


Q13 - How satisfied were you with each of the following elements of the structure of the mee...

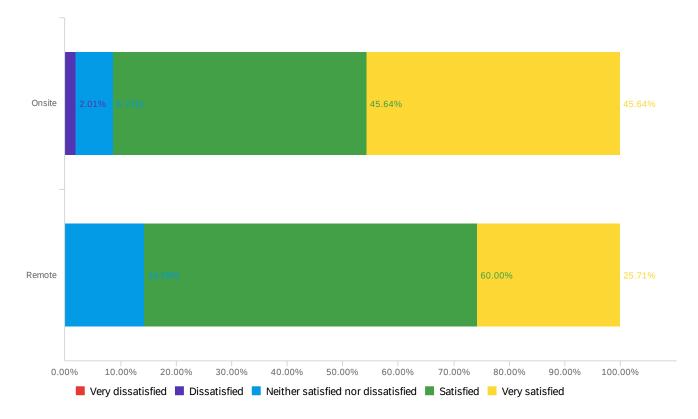


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30/90 minutes breaks	4.38	0.62	182	0.55%	93.96%
8 parallel tracks	4.01	0.85	182	6.04%	76.37%
5+2 day meeting	4.30	0.70	182	2.20%	90.11%
Starting at 9:30am Yokohama time	4.16	0.99	188	7.98%	78.19%
Overall length of each day	4.30	0.69	184	1.63%	90.22%

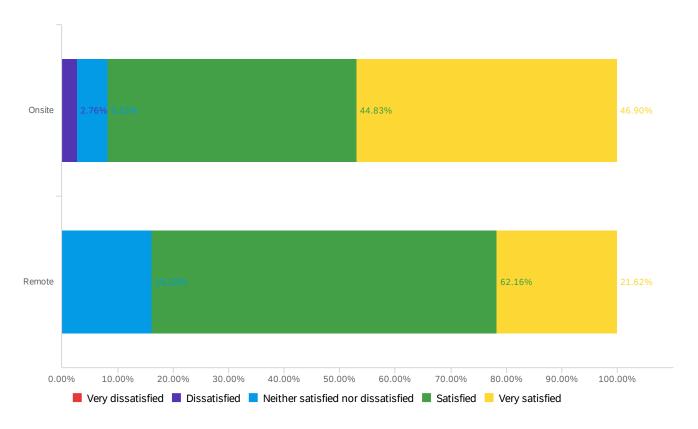
Starting at 9:30am Yokohama time



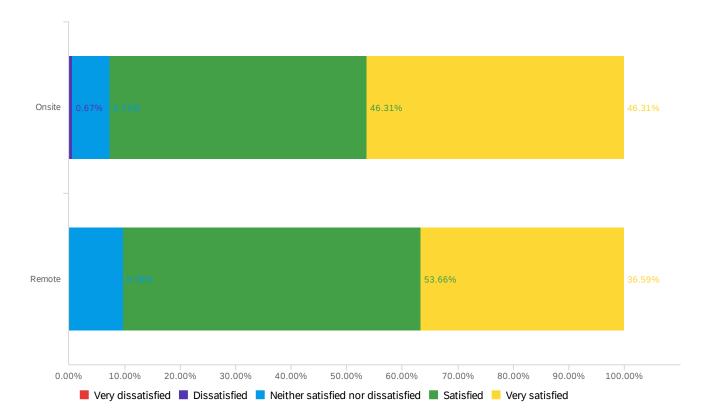
Overall length of each day



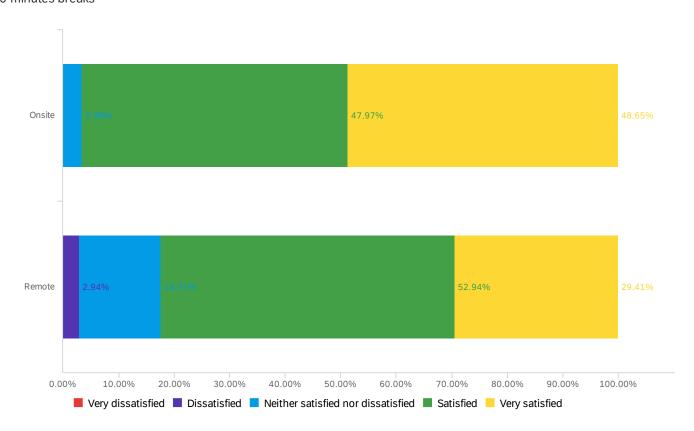
5+2 day meeting



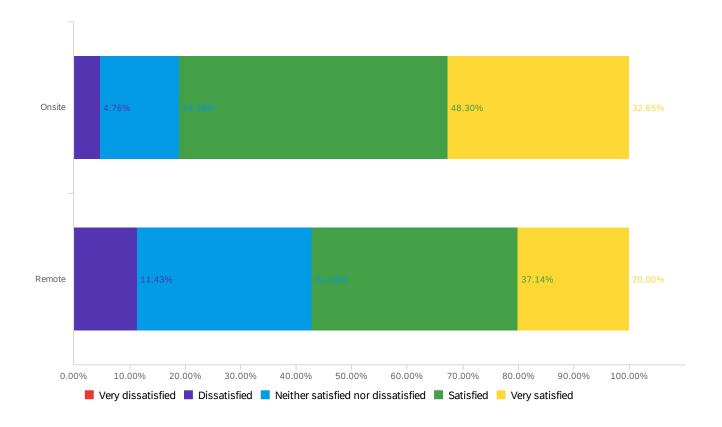
60/90/120 minute session lengths



30/90 minutes breaks



8 parallel tracks



Starting at 9:30am Yokohama time

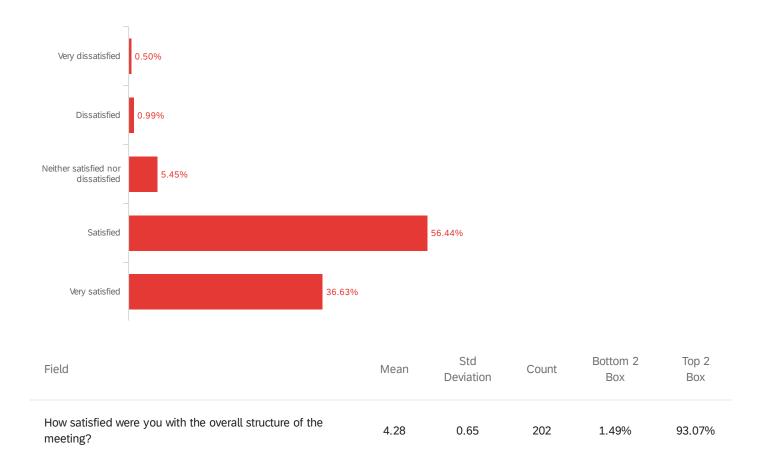
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.33	0.87	148	4.73%	85.14%
Remote	3.55	1.18	40	20.00%	52.50%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%

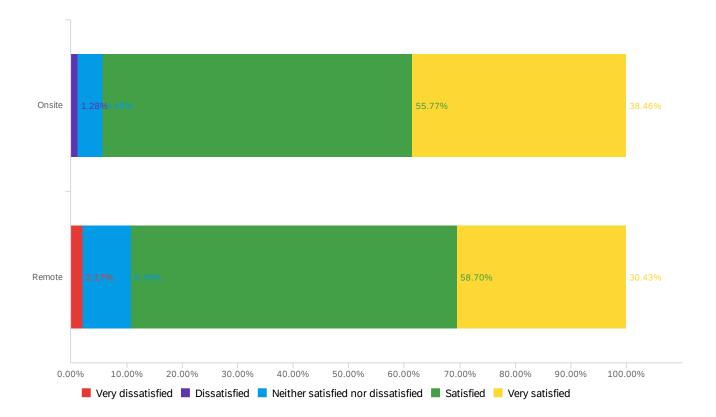
Overall length of each day

Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.35	0.69	149	2.01%	91.28%
Remote	4.11	0.62	35	0.00%	85.71%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%

Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.36	0.71	145	2.76%	91.72%
Remote	4.05	0.61	37	0.00%	83.78%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
60/90/120 minute session lengths					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.38	0.64	149	0.67%	92.62%
Remote	4.27	0.63	41	0.00%	90.24%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
30/90 minutes breaks					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.45	0.56	148	0.00%	96.62%
Remote	4.09	0.74	34	2.94%	82.35%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%
8 parallel tracks					
Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.09	0.81	147	4.76%	80.95%
Remote	3.66	0.92	35	11.43%	57.14%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%

Q14 - How satisfied were you with the overall structure of the meeting?





Q16 - Is there anything else you would like to say about the meeting agenda or str...

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NA

What is the minutes? Are there any minutes somewhere??

New commers can be encouraged to get involved with WGs and let them write RFCs.

The timezone delta was very inconvenient for remote participation from the eastern US. Yes, I know why it has to happen, but it was impossible for me to join much of anything.

HRPC showed a different start time in their materials than the real start time - not good.

Using lunch slots for side-meetings is generally good, but some decided to start 30-minutes early which was less then ideal.

At the last couple of meetings, the email meetings have been put on the same day. That's great. If that's more of a coincidence or a random act of kindness than a scheduling principle, please make it a principle. My travel arrangements can be complicated. It's likely that I can visit IETF117, but I have to do other things on the same trip. Putting the email meetings on one day simplifies planning, and every bit of simplification helps.

The 11.30 lunch break is quite early and the day is quite weighted towards the afternoon. I wonder if we could start at 09.00 and have two sessions before lunch instead? However I can see the advantage of being able to have 08.30 side meetings so I don't have strong feelings on this.

It is a great improvement to begin to see better support for the BoFs and side meetings. Would help if all were using the same tools as WGs and RGs. Having a place to see minutes, find the VC link, calendar invitations. etc., is extremely helpful. Being able to find all content as recordings so quickly after the sessions themselves is also very very helpful, given the differences in timezones that prohibit real-time attendance. Great job!

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parallelism broke down for me: cross-area participation is just hard. I do not think the venue had enough spaces for side meetings. it was standing friendly not sitting friendly and had no nooks and crannies. I think hotel venues are overall better.

Start earlier and have two sessions in the morning

Is there anything else you would like to say about the meeting agenda or st...

I have been quite disappointed by the IETF not communicating that the IETF venue was not in the Intercontinental hotel, knowing that I paid part of the hotel myself (it was over budget for my company). I booked this hotel, to have some more social interactions ... which never happened at the hotel. I learned about this news after the fact. Not happy.

Special thanks to Cisco for providing the barista station serving excellent coffee. Imay be biased but INHO this was an important contribution for the overall success of the meeting.

The final agenda changed a lot in respect to the first published draft, and this totally messed up my week! The first draft of the agenda already comes quite late for those of us that have to set up other meetings in the slots where there is nothing interesting to us, slight adjustments are ok but if you reshuffle everything two weeks before the meeting you make a total mess! Please, never, never do that again!!!!

As a remote participant I'd welcome if we learned from how we did things during the pandemic. Gather was a blast in remote-only meetings, but now it's deserted except for remote-only groups during the hackathon. A working mobile version or alternative, possibly augmented by spots where you could pop into the physical world, would be great. Also, side meetings had mixed to bad remote participation options, compared to how great Meetecho worked during the sessions.

none

Even 120m seems short for some of the more intense WG meetings. Although I am sure it would be impractical to make them longer.

We should favour discussion time over presentation time.

I wish we knew more about the Friday schedule well in advance. While we know the theory of what sessions might happen on Friday, we don't discover the facts until quite late. This makes a considerable difference to the cost/value of staying for Friday.

Agenda tool time zone acted funky. It was hard to track for remote participation.

if we had sofas and/or chairs and tables it would facilitate social interaction. It was very hard to sit down and chat with someone outside of a meeting room.

There was an unusual number of wg session conflicts.

No facilities for social interaction. Chairs & Tables

Is there anything else you would like to say about the meeting agenda or st...

It was tough to get food when sessions ran late.

Due to 14 hour difference in time I could not attend most meetings that I wanted to including Plenary but I did follow some on Youtube recordings

Venue needs more food outlets etc.

Please provide seating areas in common spaces so that people can have small discussions and more social interaction - even if that involved renting furniture. This is a huge part of an in person meeting.

The agendas nowadays are more packed than ever. There is also much more IRTF. This makes it hard to choose sometimes. I wish I had better ways, tools perhaps, to help me make the right choices.

Over all, nice job!

Fix of the entire agenda (e.g. WG session schedule) can be a week or two earlier.

I know that scheduling is very hard, but I was chairing one session that was held at the same time as a BoF that I wanted to attend.

NA

Not enough spaces to meet and sit outside the WG-meeting rooms.

I'd still like the hackathon to run Mon-Thu mornings with WG sessions in the afternoons.

It would be better if the lunch break fell more in the middle of the day with respect to sessions rather than after just a couple hours, i.e. 3-4 hours of sessions with a short break in the middle, longer break/lunch, 3-4 hours of sessions with a short break in the middle

Final agenda presented more clashes between groups with overlapping attendees than draft agenda

Not sure if this is the place for this comment but more random tables and chairs about the facility would be a big plus.

Is there anything else you would like to say about the meeting agenda or st...

The restaurant culture near the venue was business oriented, and closed quite early, with many closing at 9pm. Having sessions going until 7pm made getting fed harder than it should have been (longer walks/train-rides). Watching for ways to reduce that impedance would improve the efficacy of over-dinner meetings to move the work forward.

I would have preferred to start at 9:00 instead of 9:30. I also would prefer for Friday to have the same full-day structure as Monday-Thursday with the hope that this could reduce conflicts earlier in the week.

Still lots of meeting clashes between sessions that I was interested in following.

Too many side meetings, especially in slots that clashed with WG sessions.

Coffee was great, food was bad, not enough places to sit, work and talk

Lunch break at 11.30 es too early

The draft agenda worked better for me in terms of clashes, which is the same as for the last few meetings. Having research groups clash seems unnecessary. The kit in the side meeting rooms could be better - the projector in 301 was poor, it was unclear how to use the meeting owl.

The last minute cancellation of the OAuth side meetings was disappointing as I would have planned my stay very differently had this been known earlier. That cancellation also severely disadvantaged both local (when not core working group members) and remote participants, as it was no longer possible for them to find out about and join in side discussions - and on-site side discussions definitely still happened.

I would like to see more agenda visibility of side meetings, perhaps a link to a side-meeting calendar from the agenda page, showing that they are unofficial side meetings but still calling attention to them.

For me there was one timeslot that had 4 working groups where I have an active interst, and many slots that were pretty vapid.

Remote participation inevitably runs into time zone problems.

Too bad ippm and v6ops always collide

conflicts are not as difficult when you are remote, one can open multiple windows.

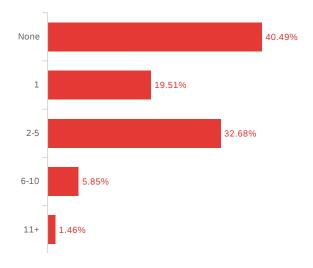
We needed and appreciated the 120+6 minute slots for our WG.

Is there anything else you would like to say about the meeting agenda or st...

While I understand that scheduling sessions with different constraints is hard. However, I am wondering if it would be possible to consider the Time Zone of the remote participants. Typically this could include (remote) participants to indicate their time zone and the session they are willing to attend. The proportion of remote participants can be inferred from the history of meetings. I also believe that for some sessions there is literally no advantages to meet during the meeting versus having interim meetings. I believe that rather than pushing for every WG to meet, we should encourage interim meeting as to benefit better from the face to face meeting.

Opportunities for social or semi-social (inter-WG) mixers seem very limited. People chat in the halls and there is lots of spare time in the breaks but people seem to stick in their clans, pretty much. The read-outs from the hackathon are a good way of quickly getting a view of what all the other WGs are doing: perhaps we could do something like that from the WG meetings too?

$\ensuremath{\mathsf{Q18}}$ - How many times did you have a conflict between two sessions that were scheduled in...



Field	Choice Count
None	40.49% 83
1	19.51% 40
2-5	32.68% 67
6-10	5.85% 12
11+	1.46% 3
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Q19 - Please list any sessions that you wanted to participate in that were schedul... Please list any sessions that you wanted to participate in that were schedu... Most of them. However, I know it is not possible. So, based on members the schedule can be created. My be writing a program can help to do this task (I assume IETF already have one) - my 2 cents 6lo, oauth moq, lpwan lake, quic bpf-netconf PrivacyPass and pquip lamps, masque, ufmrg pearg, gendispatch, keytrans maprg, openpgp, ipsecme mimi, dinrg hrpc, cfrg pquip, privacypass LSR vs IPPM; 6MAN vs BESS. **6MAN BESS** dmm, lsr, v6ops bess, 6man bess and savnet jmap, tls dbound2, ohai pearg, ksk rollover side meeting dnsop, mimi, dinrg (this was devastating!) Some Networking / IP / BGP sessions conflicting Some Security sessions conflicting link state routing and IP performance measurement BPF/eBPF and protocols for IP measurement

I would have liked to attend more of Real World Crypto, which happened in parallel with IETF in Tokyo.

irtfopen/ppm regext/acme/iabopen add/saag satp/cfrg

PCE TVR RTGWG ALTO OPSAWG PALS/MPLS MPLS TSVOpen CCAMP 6MAN BESS SPRING GenDispatch IDR GAIA TEAS IABOpen

Please list any sessions that you wanted to participate in that were schedu...

RTGWG & SECDISPATCH INTAREA 7 DBOUND2 SPRING 7 GENDISPATCH RTGAREA 7 SAAG

CFRG OAuth

Spring & Gendispatch DHC & IAB Open

irtfopen,cdni tvr,teep tsvwg,icnrg iccrg,keytrans mimi,detret,gaia satp,cfrg iotops,pquip

mboned, cats

N/A

lsr, dmm pce, tvr 6man, bess, savnet

v6ops-coinrg-dmm rtgarea-saag intarea-scim-dbound2 detent-dinrg

irtf-open and http-bis and netconf DANCE - DRIP OHAI - DBOUND2 (bof) keytrans - ANIMA IOTOPS - PQUIP

vcon ufmrg

I will just name two: keytrans vs. sidrops gendispatch vs. sidrops

ipsecme openpgp satp cfrg hrpc dbound2 radius Pearg keytrans Lake dnsop Saag add Pquip privacypass

two security sessions but I forgot the names.

Mimi, dnsop

ipsecme openpgp oauth cfrg dmarc dance

scitt tls lamps masque oauth cfrg

RASPRG (IRTF), I2NSF (security), Grow (OPS), TEAS (RTG)

Netconf - Pim compute aware networking - mboned spring - anima rtgarea - tsvwg netmod - rtgwg

Please list any sessions that you wanted to participate in that were schedu...

mimi, dnsop, idr, quic httpbis, oauth

TEAS - ACME - MLS WISH - SAAG MOQ - SUIT - TEAS AVT Core - LISP - TLS

irtfopen/ppm; lake;mimi

netconf and bpf secdispatch and rtgwg

bpf against irtfopen dnssd against secdispatch dance against tigress gendistpatch against key trans iabopen against regext saag against add

madinas, secdispatch // ohai, radext // lamps, ufmrg, masque // pearg, keytrans BoF // maprg, ipsecme, openpgp // dnsop, quic, lake // cfrg, hrpc // pquip, privacypass

dinrg dnsop cfrg hrpc

NMRG - MAPRG

bpf/ppm, rswg/tsvwg, intarea/ohai, icon/masque, webtrans/gendispatch/iccrg, moq/rasprg, mimi/quic, moq/privacypass

DANCE and DMARC, but DMARC was cancelled anyway.

dispatch, rats cose, httpapi core, tls keytrans, anima lake & ace, mimi, quic lpwan, suit cbor, mls iotops, privacypass, pquip

dance & stir - again! dinrg, dnsop & detnet add & saag hprg & cfrg

dance, drip ipsecme, openpgp lpwan, suit 6lo, cfrg pquip, privacypass

cdni & cose girg & pce drip & mpls & dance nmrg & cats dnsop & quic

DNSSD-MADINAS (AD conflict so this is OK)

IDR, DNSOP, DINRG, QUIC GROW, TEAS TCPM, TVR

Please list any sessions that you wanted to participate in that were schedu...

ippm v6ops

RSWG/SML

rats:v6ops bpf:cose:netconf madinas:secdispatch sml:opsawg scitt:core dance:roll 6man:savnet:lamps anima:gendispatch:keytrans ipsecme:snac:openpgp:maprg moq:suit acme:cbor:dhc add:saag netmod:satp iotops:pquip

oauth vs httpbis cose vs httpapi dhc vs acme

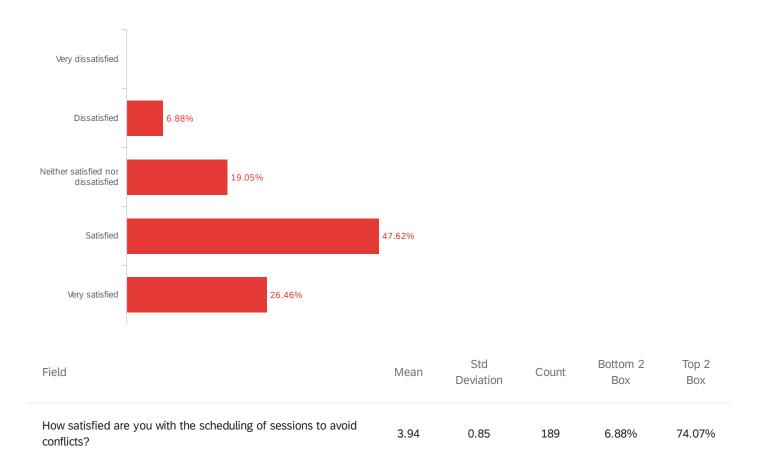
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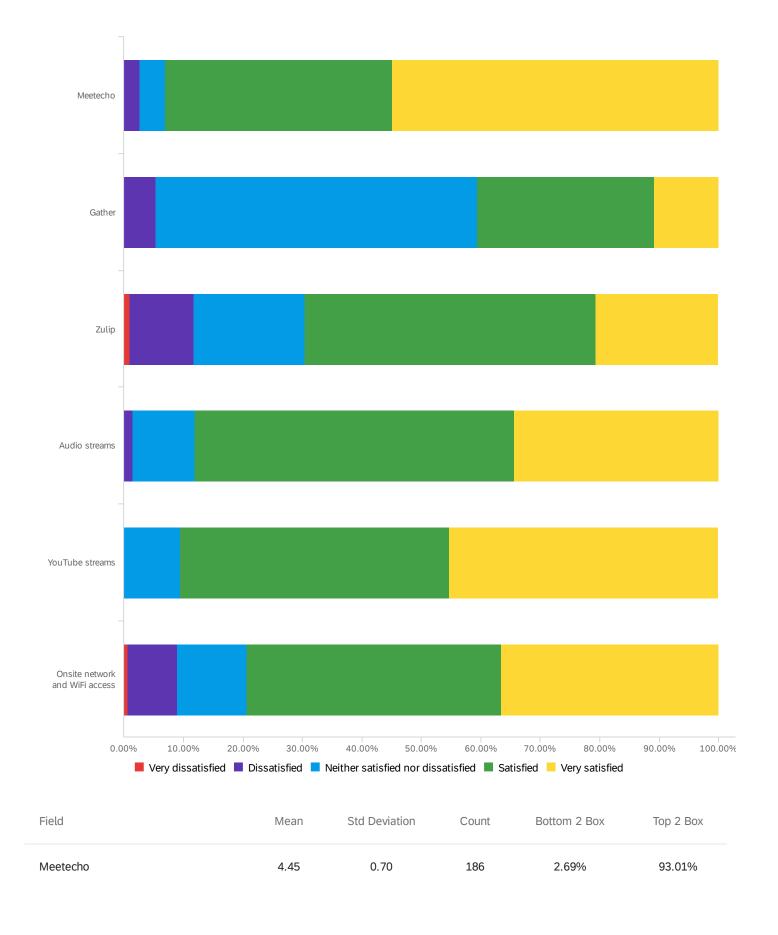
Iccrg Rasprg Dtn

cats nmrg

Q20 - How satisfied are you with the scheduling of sessions to avoid conflicts?



Q22 - How satisfied were you with each of the following participation mechanisms provided f...



Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Gather	3.46	0.76	37	5.41%	40.54%
Zulip	3.77	0.93	102	11.76%	69.61%
Audio streams	4.21	0.68	67	1.49%	88.06%
YouTube streams	4.36	0.65	84	0.00%	90.48%
Onsite network and WiFi access	4.06	0.93	145	8.97%	79.31%

Q24 - How can we improve the meeting participation mechanisms?

How can we improve the meeting participation mechanisms?

By alerting the meeting participants via an emaili or call, May be.

The NFSv4 WG onsite meetecho was cut off before the scheduled meeting end time! Our meeting continued with some very confused remote participants, before terminating abruptly with no additional information. Totally unacceptable. There was no place to report it, as the overall meeting had already closed! Ours was in the final slot of the final day, but this was terrible.

having only one chat for the WG instead of meetecho vs Zulip. I felt they were not well integrated.

It felt like remote participants had very different gain levels on their mics - some were a bit loud, others a bit hard to hear. Maybe there can be done some normalization if it's not done already.

It seems like each meeting there's a different "wifi is hard" lesson to be learned. It might be good to gather these operational lessons into a recommendations doc for how to run wifi for a large gathering of technically knowledgeable adversaries. ;-)

If possible, integrate the Gather and Zulip into the Meetecho. One meeting tool is always preferred.

There are quite good.

The meeting room microphones were set up so the presenter had to almost chew the mic to be heard, they weren't sensitive enough and many presenters had to be reminded to hold the mic much closer.

A bit less change for a while. we're still bedding in the post-jabber world. E-bluesheets is good but needs more reminders.

The detached conference center from hotel, and especially with multiple hotels and large distances between, significantly and negatively impacts social interaction. We should strive to avoid this configuration. It should be a main factor in choosing meeting location. More than 1/2 the value for me is from intermeeting, ad-hoc interactions.

zulip sucks, bring back matrix

Improve usability of Gather (and Zulip, if it's intended for anything more than during-session chat) for on-site participants.

How can we improve the meeting participation mechanisms?

none

The Youtube channel could use more organization. Even with the videos grouped by IETF meeting, it's hard to find things.

Zulip doesn't feel as organic as Jabber did. The *streams* model in particular doesn't map all that well to the IETF sessions.

Continue with fee waivers as much as possible

Provide a public view of all network tickets submitted or currently open as well as live stats -- radical transparency for the network.

I think they are fine as is.

More QR code prints inside the room

NA

better handling of audio streams in the room.

Announce a plan to ditch zulip over the next few years - even with the sunken costs.

Apple devices has issues with IETF network. Catering onsite would be nice.

Continue to make it easier to get into the mic queue

Zulip does not live update for me- I need to manually refresh the page to follow conversation.

As a chair, make it easier to upload and then convert last-minute slides. Right now, I have to find the "slide converter" under Settings. Instead, it should be available right under "Share slides", if there's slides that were uploaded but not converted for sharing in Meetecho.

It is a big ask but Meetecho for side meetings would be phenomenal.

How can we improve the meeting participation mechanisms?

Easier access for onsite-participants to join meetecho. There were quite a number of people who did not join the mic queue because they either got kicked off or were not able/willing to open the meetecho lite client. Suggestion: Badges with an ESP8266 with with wifi/nfc and you can tap your badge at the door to join the session and click a button on your badge to join the queue.

Maybe promote Gather to on-site participants more. I didn't see any mention of it, and know it's important for non-onsite participants.

Scrolling in Zulip should be improved. The scrollbar for the comments is to the right of the list of participants, which has its own scrollbar. Also, it would be good to have something like an auto-scroll option. For Meetecho lite, it would be good to have some texts that help to understand what the various buttons do.

Reducing meeting participation fee

The closure of facilities at the Intercontinental (eg restaurant, bar) by around 9pm was disappointing, didn't help networking. More chairs etc around the meeting venue for advocacy use.

Wifi on macOS was bad! Raising ticket was an issue as well

In one session there was a problem with the preloaded slides for the meeting, some of which appeared multiple times, whereas others apparently were missing. One participant reported the problem to Meetecho.

Meetecho audio pre-flight should go to speakers, not just generate on-screen bar. That might or might not have turned up a network audio problem that I had later in one of the meetings (fixed by disabling corporate VPN and switching to headset microphone).

Meetecho was flaky on Safari switched to Chrome which was stable.

For the first time, the venue wifi was unreliable and prevented maintaining a consistent meetecho connection. I had to switch to the legacy network multiple times and just used Zulip for chat and the mobile bluesheet client.

Some way to integrate Gather (or other between-sessions tool) into the on-site meeting.

onsite people don't have time to go to gather.town. The use of the hallway stream as a default was good, but not well announced.

Have meeting chairs be stricter about not allowing (or at least repeating into a mic when it happens) in-person attendees to call out comments from the audience. It happened a couple of times and was impossible to follow when it did.

Couldn't find any documentation on controlling my slides. The WG chair was able to run them for me, however, so it all worked out.

It was nice to record the WG Chairs session and be able to follow-up quickly with that one when I missed this!

Two things could improve a lot: Side meetings: Several side meetings were very hard to follow remotely due primarily to low audio quality. Camera was also often showing other things than the speaker. Side meeting hosts are apparently often lacking in hybrid meeting hosting experience. Hybrid is difficult, but if anyone in the world should be able to handle this, that's us. We need to improve, the world is becoming more and more hybrid. Can we give side meetings access to proper meeting gear, like meetecho and proper audio setup? Make sure there is hybrid meeting training for potential hosts? There should be some social meeting opportunities for remote attendees too. Maybe a chat room for participants that are interested? I chat quite a bit with colleagues from my company, but not with others. Especially immediately after a session finishes. Could Zulip be used for that, perhaps (if we foster the community to go there)?

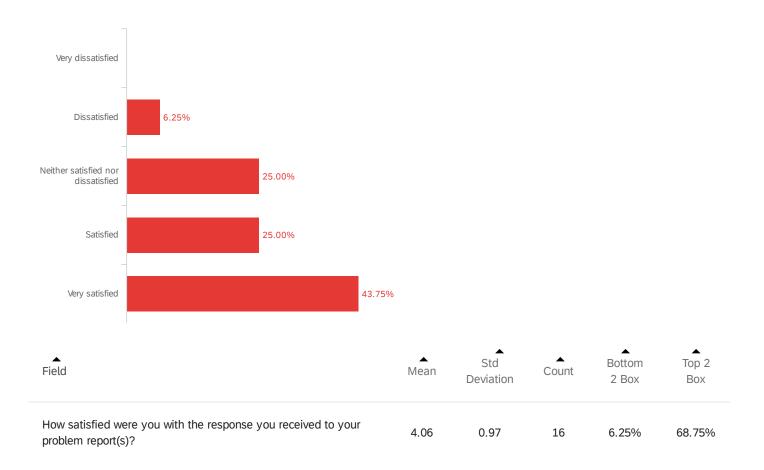
Meetecho quality is still not good. Maybe video should be avoided altogether. The meeting pages open very slowly, sharing slides is a nightmare. Chat and zulip needs better integration.

It went pretty well this time except that Meetecho continues to not be very reliable. Video didn't work on Firefox. On Safari, it sort of worked until it didn't. Also on Safari (possibly also on Firefox) if the tab with Meetecho in it was ever not the displayed tab, Meetecho would disconnect. Since I switch tabs pretty automatically, I disconnected multiple times, and eventually couldn't reconnect. I switched to Firefox so that I could have a separate program doing Meetecho, but honestly, this is ridiculous. Nothing against Meetecho, but we should use a product that has more than one customer, or Meetecho should get serious about testing. I never have these sorts of problems with Zoom or (not that I am a fan of it) Webex.

Q23 - Did you report a problem with any of these participation mechanisms or your registrati...



Q25 - How satisfied were you with the response you received to your problem report(s)?



Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
Onsite	4.00	0.89	10	0.00%	60.00%
Remote	4.17	1.07	6	16.67%	83.33%
I did not participate in IETF 116	0.00	0.00	0	0.00%	0.00%

Q26 - How can we improve our problem reporting process and ou	our response?
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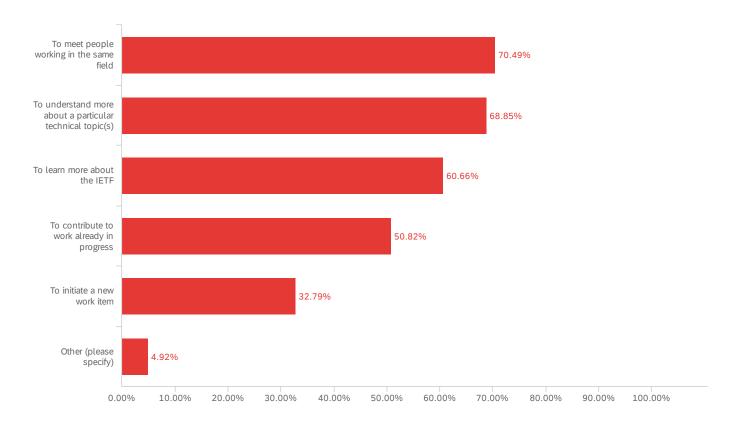
How can we improve our problem reporting process and our response?

I don't have any idea now.

the response was quick and professional. perfect.

The problems I reported were on side meetings, and that was to the side meeting hosts. In some cases they could not do much, in some cases there was dramatic improvement due to some mic moved etc.

$\ensuremath{\mathsf{Q50}}$ - (Only asked of new participants) What were your goals for participating in IETF 115? (...



#	Field	Choice	
5	To meet people working in the same field	70.49%	43
2	To understand more about a particular technical topic(s)	68.85%	42
1	To learn more about the IETF	60.66%	37
3	To contribute to work already in progress	50.82%	31
4	To initiate a new work item	32.79%	20
7	Other (please specify)	4.92%	3

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Q50_7_TEXT - Other (please specify)

Other (please specify)

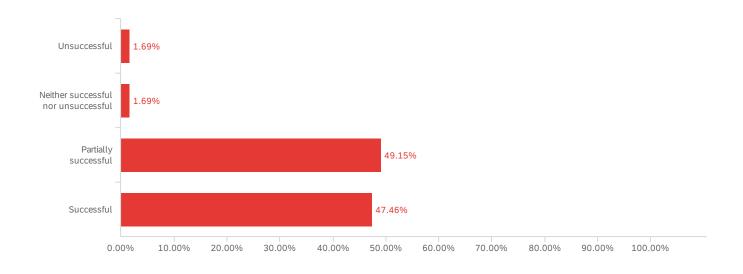
Other (please specify)

My dream is to write an RFC before I die.

To attend the ISOC Policymakers Programme

To get to running code through the Hackathon

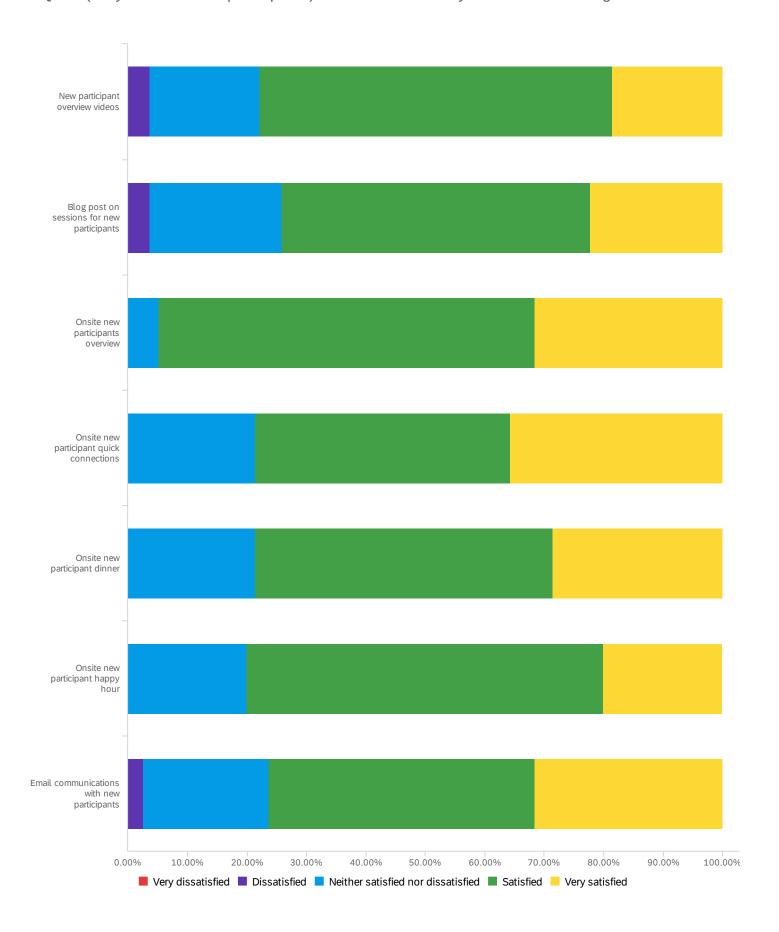
$\ensuremath{\mathsf{Q51}}$ - (Only asked of new participants) How successful were you in achieving your goals for \dots



Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
How successful were you in achieving your goals for participation?	3.42	0.62	59	3.39%	96.61%

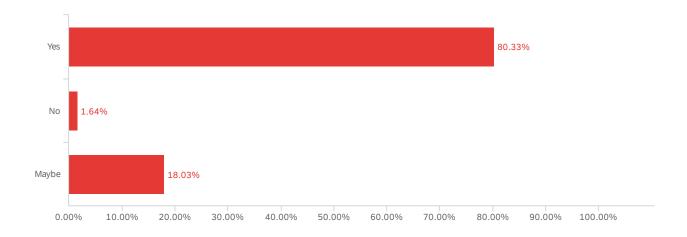
Field	Choice Count
Unsuccessful	1.69% 1
Neither successful nor unsuccessful	1.69% 1
Partially successful	49.15% 29
Successful	47.46% 28

Q52 - (Only asked of new participants) How satisfied were you with the following elements o...



Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
New participant overview videos	3.93	0.72	27	3.70%	77.78%
Blog post on sessions for new participants	3.93	0.77	27	3.70%	74.07%
Onsite new participants overview	4.26	0.55	19	0.00%	94.74%
Onsite new participant quick connections	4.14	0.74	14	0.00%	78.57%
Onsite new participant dinner	4.07	0.70	14	0.00%	78.57%
Onsite new participant happy hour	4.00	0.63	10	0.00%	80.00%
Email communications with new participants	4.05	0.79	38	2.63%	76.32%

Q53 - (Only asked of new participants) Do you plan to participate in another IETF meeting?



Field	Choice Count
Yes	80.33% 49
No	1.64% 1
Maybe	18.03% 11
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Q54 - (Only asked of new participants) How can we improve the new participant p...

How can we improve the new participant program?

Recurrent induction session, similar to what is done in ICANN, for new participants. I may be "boring" for the people executing it and yet it would reduce possible participation frictions. That said, one possibility would be to conduct this session online for all (hence less organizational hassle) say 1 week before the actual meeting.

To clarify the structure of the conference, definitions of the words, and let new participant to know how to survive.

By encouraging the new participants to get involved with a IETF draft that is candidate to be an RFC.

IETF mentorship could be interesting, like having a dedicated person to ask questions during the whole week of the IETF

A poster may help to indicate where the venue is located. We just entered the south Yokohama Pacifico Conference on the first day and took plenty of time to find the north venue.

How to contribute to drafts guide.

Tell them to go to the hackathon.

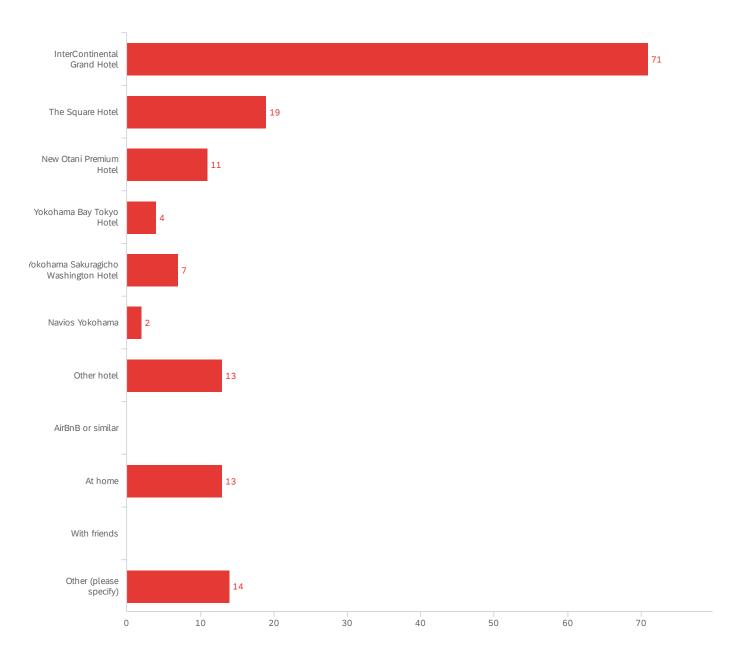
My only issue was time zone. It was difficult to attend at 3AM. You made downloading material very convenient - thanks!

Scheduling is always tough, for me at least there were a few sessions I had to monitor remote on the last day due to travel, particularly having CFRG and PQUIP on the last day, rather than up front was a bit hard since so much other work is referencing work in those two groups.

the social was really bad, not enough food, queues and noisy, so you could not talk. On top of that, as usual, there were not enough tickets. HotRFC is at the same time as the reception and in a different and far place, again. This does not help and Hot RFC should have high visibility.

Having more mentors or returnees for the quick connections and social events would be nice. It was somewhat hard to distinguish who was a new participant vs mentor, even with the name badges

Q62 - Where do you stay in Yokohama?



#	Field	Choice C	ount
1	InterContinental Grand Hotel	46.10%	71
3	The Square Hotel	12.34%	19
4	New Otani Premium Hotel	7.14%	11
5	Yokohama Bay Tokyo Hotel	2.60%	4
6	Yokohama Sakuragicho Washington Hotel	4.55%	7
7	Navios Yokohama	1.30%	2

#	Field	Choice C	Count
8	Other hotel	8.44%	13
9	AirBnB or similar	0.00%	0
10	At home	8.44%	13
11	With friends	0.00%	0
13	Other (please specify)	9.09%	14
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Q62_13_TEXT - Other (please specify)

Hotel in Tokyo also for other business

APA Hotel & Resort Yokohama Bay Tower

Yokohama MYSTAYS Hotel

The Westin Yokohama

Other (please specify)

I have been quite disappointed by the IETF not communicating that the IETF venue was not in the Intercontinental hotel, knowing that I paid part of the hotel myself (it was over budget for my company). I booked this hotel, to have some more social interactions ... which never happened at the hotel. I learned about this news after the fact. Not happy.

I stayed in a hotel in Tokyo

Intercontinental Yokohama Pier 8

Yokohama Bay Sheraton

APA

APA Hotel & Resort Yokohama Bay Tower

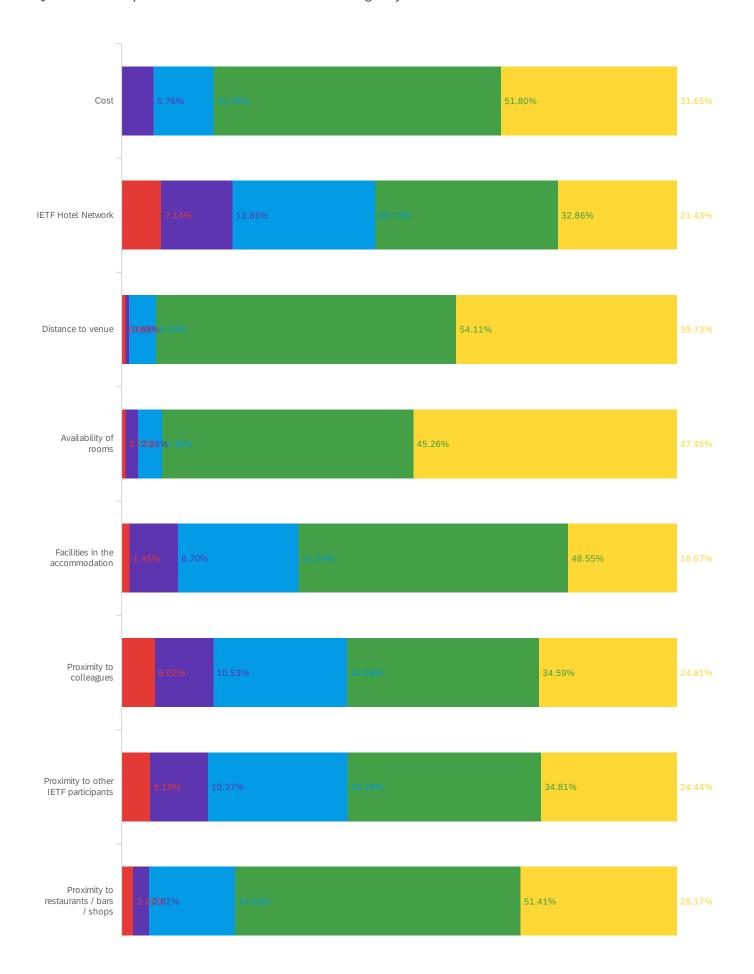
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Other (please specify)

living in japan

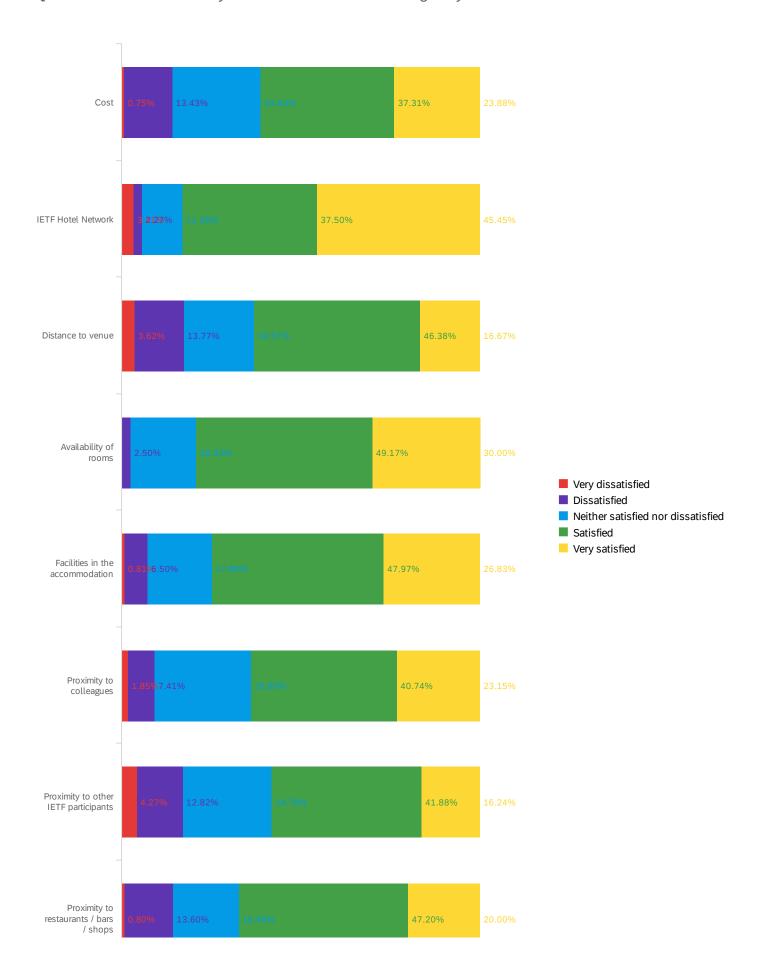
Westin

Q64 - How important were each of the following to your choice of accommodation?



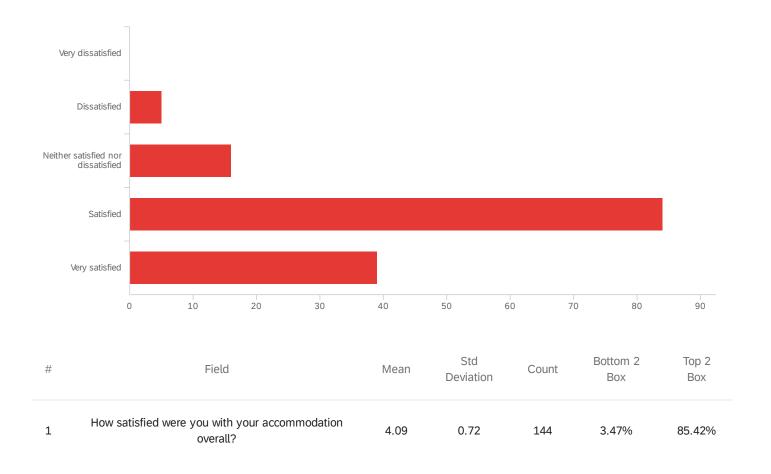
	0.00% 10.00% 20.00% 30.00% Very unimportant Unimportant		50.00% 60.00% portant nor unimportar	70.00%	80.00% 90.00%	100.00%
#	Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Top 2 Box
1	Cost	4.09	0.80	139	5.76%	83.45%
2	IETF Hotel Network	3.49	1.17	140	20.00%	54.29%
3	Distance to venue	4.32	0.66	146	1.37%	93.84%
4	Availability of rooms	4.36	0.73	137	2.92%	92.70%
5	Facilities in the accommodation	3.76	0.91	138	10.14%	68.12%
6	Proximity to colleagues	3.62	1.14	133	16.54%	59.40%
7	Proximity to other IETF participants	3.63	1.11	135	15.56%	59.26%
8	Proximity to restaurants / bars / shops	4.01	0.86	142	4.93%	79.58%

Q65 - How satisfied were you with each of the following for your accommodation?



#	Field	Mean	Std Deviation	Count	Bottom 2 Box	Тор 2 Вох
1	Cost	3.70	1.00	134	14.18%	61.19%
2	IETF Hotel Network	4.19	0.96	88	5.68%	82.95%
3	Distance to venue	3.59	1.03	138	17.39%	63.04%
4	Availability of rooms	4.07	0.76	120	2.50%	79.17%
5	Facilities in the accommodation	3.93	0.88	123	7.32%	74.80%
6	Proximity to colleagues	3.76	0.95	108	9.26%	63.89%
7	Proximity to other IETF participants	3.53	1.04	117	17.09%	58.12%
8	Proximity to restaurants / bars / shops	3.72	0.96	125	14.40%	67.20%

Q63 - How satisfied were you with your accommodation overall?



Q27 - Is there anything else you would like to say?

Is there anything else you would like to say?

The IETF T-shirts are very good. Thank you very much for providing one with a minimum price. It is splendid.

I am an individual contributor to IETF and have no support for flying internationally (or even US domestically) several times a year to attend. Therefore I depend on remote participation to attend f2f WG meetings. Yet, I must send a rather degrading request each time to ask to "attend" remotely at no cost. I find my resentment for this is rising each time I must do it. There should be a better way to allow this.

keep covid mitigations in place

Japan felt super safe comparing to Philadelphia, this country is one to be repeated

It would be great if the next meeting venue had more places to sit and chat/sit and collaborate.

One of the better venues we've been at. Very clear layout and room names that make sense.

Infrastructure issues can almost ruin a meeting. I had one a few weeks ago, the day was wasted for everyone. But not at the IETF meetings. Those are productive. I remember one, where the hotel's WLAN was a problem. The IETF networking team reconfigured the hotel, changed channels on the APs, and used the available spectrum optimally. That's not something one can expect from random conferences. Kudos.

Thanks for all the hard work!

I really liked the venue. It was large enough not to feel packed and the acoustics were good. Also, it's great that you offer childcare, even if not too many people take it up.

The conference site was very good, but I'd always appreciate some places with chairs to hang out (and work and meet people) in-between meetings.

THANK YOU for continuing to make remote participation so easy for virtual attendess and thank you for continuing to consider remote participants just as important a constituency as those in person.

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This meeting was missing chairs, lounges etc. in the hallways. It was nearly impossible to just sit down and discuss with people spontaneously. It was quite annoying, actually.

Is there anything else you would like to say?

Overall it was a fine, normal, perfectly cromulent meeting. If I say onsite hotel is better, and more nooks and crannies are better it doesn't mean this one didn't work.

Again: starting earlier and having two session in the morning would reduce the possibility of conflict by having more sessions in the same five days.

Stop with this mask story. If you are ill or weak or don't want to affect yours, you wear a mask ... that's it, as it was before COVID in countries such as Japan. I wish you ask this question in this survey: would you consider not attending if the IETF would request to wear the mask in next IETF meeting? I would...

this seems to be last page of questionnaire. Surprise: different from all preceding pages it does NOT offer a back link. Back links on preceding pages created expectation that going back to fill gaps or review would be possible.

The tickets for the Social Event were not available during rehistration, there was noclear indication of the beginning of the sale, and they have been sold out very quickly.

I didn't mind wearing masks but making it mandatory was ridiculous, it just shows how disconnected with reality the ietf is, and how it doesn't care about its community but only about a few influential individuals

Unfortunately due to the location there were many people that could not attend, remotely or on site, and I felt like the WGs made far less progress. Due to mostly new audience, few people were prepared, read drafts, etc.

Please consider coordinating with other conferences that happen at the same time in a similar location. It's clear that not all conflicts can be avoided, but having venues closer to each other, or closer to major transit hubs, could make the commuting experience better. Of course, this feedback also applies to the organizers of other conferences.

Many thanks to everyone.

none

The cost for the single day (remote) seemed excessive for someone who needed to be there strictly to advance a draft and was not financed by their employer. Making and presenting the document is already a type of volunteer work, so having to pay to do it, several times a year, seems counter-intuitive. Maybe there could be a "single meeting" ticket, or a discount for draft authors, with early bird pricings. If not strictly necessary it would also be nice if participant names were not published on the website, although I understand the spirit of openness in which it is done. The experience with Meetecho was absolutely fantastic. It seems to give a better sense of interaction than the big names such as Teams and Webex. Thank you for your efforts with this great event.

I was luck this time to have no conflicts. But with as many as 8 parallel sessions, conflicts are inevitable. Put bluntly, the IETF has too many WGs for its own good.

Having a meeting in a conference centre is totally acceptable. However, you need to be much more clear about where the meeting will be in relation to the hotel at the time you announce the venue and recommended hotel. It turns out that in Yokohama there was zero reason to use the recommended hotel. Lots of money could have been saved without any loss of IETF participation.

masks are pointless, stop requiring them.

Main issue here was lack of opportunity for hallway conversations. The conference center really didn't have the type of comfortable chair groupings that encourage ad hoc discussions. The only time I saw collegues out of a WG session was during the food breaks and those were mostly for ... food. Having the bar at the Intercontinental close at 9pm every night and mostly having the bar occupied for other purposes (e.g. strawberry afternoon tea) meant it was not all that useful for the ad hoc meetings either.

Yes! I was surprised this was not called out in the survey. When I booked my room at the Yokohama IC (the IETF meeting hotel), I had no idea it would be such a long distance to the meeting venue. This was not mentioned on the IETF web site. It was only after I booked I found this via an email from the secratariate. Had this information been mentioned, I would have considered it in my booking decision. I like many others assumed the meeting would be adjacent to the IETF meeting hotel like the previous IETF meetings in Yokohama. This is a MAJOR FAIL by the IETF LLC. It did not meet the IETF "One Roof" policy and no notice was given to the IETF community that this was not the case. I had an inconvenience, but for anyone who had a mobility disability this would have been a major problem the they probably wouldn't have been aware of until they arrive onsite. Again, this is a MAJOR FAIL by the IETF LLC. The IETF LLC needs to provide an apology and information to the IETF community about this problem. Also, I decided to not say anything at the open mic section at the Plenary because I didn't want to embarrass WIDE who did a great job being a meeting host/sponsor.

Food provision was much better this meeting than normal. Food/beverages in each break is great. The on-site barista was great too. Social spaces outside of meeting rooms need to allow for group gathering and discussions which means spaces in the shared areas with tables and chairs, this was not possible at 116 which is a big part of on-site attendance

Thank you!

Stop with the mandatory masks. It's now a silly anachronism.

No

Hack demo hour was held in very small and far away from main path compared with Reception sponsor's booth. Did IETF encourage attendees to join the demo and provide the chance of discussing truly?

Great venue, thank you to the organizer, host an sponsors! See you in SF.

Is there anything else you would like to say?

Yes. Primarily the worst issue with this IETF imo was the lack of chairs/seated areas where participants could have a chat over a snack etc.

The coffee provided by on-site barista was great!

There was not enough food at the social.

The venue was sterile - no place for hanging out in the hallway - no places to sit down. Would prefer we don't go back unless addressed

Almost perfect

The Venue was a rather long walk from the Meeting Hotel there was very little seating in the venue outside of the meeting rooms which was problematic as i was attending the meeting with a temporary disability

Mask policy is outdated and makes people "hide" behond it, harder to interact socially

The dashboard https://dashboard.meeting.ietf.org/dashboard is broken for Friday. It is showing the data from Saturday (hackathon) and not Friday.

Overall, it worked:-)

The "116attendees" mailing list, when offered/recommended to join on purchasing a remote-attendance ticket, proved entirely irrelevant and spammy for remote attendees. It would be useful to either clarify the list is for in-person attendees (and potentially not offer it to people buying remote tickets) or have a separate list for in-person attendee chatter.

I would have appreciated if there were more tables outside the meeting rooms available to interact with the participants better.

The coffee service was excellent!

Overall, a great venue and a well run meeting, thank you! The location was excellent and venue facilities were generally good. A revision to the masking policy to remove the requirement to wear masks in meeting rooms would be welcome. More advertisement of the provided breakfast before the meeting would have been helpful. Greater availability of powerpoints outside of the meeting rooms, for ad hoc working, would have been appreciated. The social was great, but the music was a bit too loud for conversation at points.

Love the coffee station; overall snacks were spectacular; wish there were more tables and chairs around for more literal hallway conversations

I thoroughly enjoyed this IETF, and am thrilled that I was able to attend in person. The InterContinental was very nice, and it was excellent to be in Japan during sakura season; I hope IETF returns this venue in the future. However, I will be attending IETF 117 remotely unless IETF reconsiders their decision on masking and continues to require this protective measure in meeting rooms.

There was not enough space to sit in the hallways, and it was hard to find other IETF participants after the meetings. It would be better to directly meet in the hotel, rather than a separate venue.

The meeting venue was a FAIL from the perspective of offering more than one gets out of online participation: nowhere to sit and meet with IETF colleagues, no large gathering areas to "bump into" IETFers in an ad hoc fashion, no single hotel in which most people stayed and could meet up for drinks or breakfast. And, it was far enough from the so-called IETF headquarters hotel that you had to make an explicit choice about when to be onsite (for specific, planned meetings), and when to hole up in your hotel room (where there was somewhere to sit) to get work done. No bouncing back and forth between sessions and day job. Just like attending online. "One roof" doesn't always have to be interpreted literally, but any hotel/meeting venue setup that paves over the participant interaction requirements, as this set up did, is a FAIL.

A (small) part of my decision to be remote was related to the hotel and the venue not being collocated. My working style involves frequently popping up to my room in between meetings.

As usual IETF 116 meeting was very well organized and everything went well (as per my individual experience) The thing I missed most was places to have social interactions (like seating areas outside the meeting rooms, etc.) - the IETF 116 venue was not providing options for such on-site interactions

Really great meeting, hope it won't take another 7 years or so until my next in-person meeting.

do we need 3 meetings a year?

More tsbles, since working with the laptop on your knees is painful for my back

A good meeting overall and a great social. More support for side meetings would be great

don't schedule dance against drip - please. drip is developing a use case for dance

The conference center missed chairs and tables in the hallways, making social interaction harder during the breaks or when there was nothing interesting going on in any of the sessions. Usually it is easy to find a place to do some work, and people walk past and stop to talk, but now there was no such place.

The lack of any form of seating in the common foyer areas was downright hostile to social interaction. The only seats in the venue had no Wifi access. This was a definite downside to my overall experience of the meeting, and I would rate it as one of the worst of the 80 or so I've attended as a consequence. Big Minus.

I really appreciate all the work that the Secretariat, the network volunteers, and the IETF leadership do to make the meetings happen and be so productive.

Having seating available outside of meeting rooms would be a big improvement to both social interaction and reducing strain on older attendees. Food offering was very good, really liked having continuous access to water, coffee, drinks during the day instead of only at breaks.

Distances (from hotel to meeting, from hotel/meeting to food) were really not good. Lack of places to sit for informal discussions, eating, and socializing was also not good.

I think more areas for informal hallway meetings and places to sit down, have a chat, or work together would be nice. (I.e., a couple of chairs, a table, maybe a whiteboard or screen, far away from other people so that a group can discuss without disturbing others.) We often used the unused meeting rooms for that, if available.

Lets do Japan again, and as soon as possible. Maybe Kyoto?

Mask policy seemed a bit overkill given the current climate in Japan; I understand the logic behind the IETF's current policy, but it seemed like a losing battle regarding enforcement

The venue itself wasn't very suitable for collaboration between sessions: no place to sit and talk. In hotels it's much easier (barsand lounges). It would be great if the venues like this one provided at least chairs and tables for people to sit and talk. Also, it would be fantastic if at least some side meeting rooms could have whiteboards..

Thank you! It's a massive undertaking to arrange these meetings. All the official parts work very well. Side meetings not so much, and remote social interaction so far off out of scope :-)

The social sucked in terms of food. I arrived around 7:20pm and the food was finished. I left the venue hungry and looked for a place to eat. I appreciated the detailed ingredients lists but most lists were in wrong places. Most stuff still had pork which is insensitive to those who don't eat it (break sandwiches for example). Hotels were so expensive. Ietf should make better deals for the hotels. Flights were quite expensive for everyone too. I love Japan but this was an expensive trip.

Thanks for all the fish! :)

The number of emails I got on the attendee mailing list about social tickets was astonishing. Seems like it would be worth putting together a simple system for returning and re-allocating social tickets in future.

I am not returning to in-person attendance until the mask mandates are eliminated. I witnessed the theater in person in both Philly and London and resolved not to validate it any further. COVID is endemic and has been for over a year, and so the only rational thing to do now is to treat it like any of the other numerous endemic respiratory illnesses that are mainly of concern to those with health conditions that put them at special risk. Most of the rest of us moved on close to two years ago when we got our first vaccine doses.

End of Report