#### IANAPLAN: IPR

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#### What we agreed to

- We have to implement this. Some provisions:
  - Ensure "The protocol parameters registries are in the public domain"
  - ICANN acknowledge "smooth transition"
  - ICG: P2.III.A.2.IPR related to the provision of the IANA services remains with the community (from RIRs)

#### In the supplemental

Not yet signed

- Public domain registry affirmation and ICANN acknowledge "smooth transition"
  - Part of supplemental agreement
  - In principle part of resolution package

## Principles

https://www.ietf.org/proceedings/95/slides/slides-95ianaplan-0.pdf

- Principles to be used as guidance for lawyers
- Requested comments on 17 Feb (Google doc)
- Common document among representatives from ICANN, RIRs, and IETF

## What does it say?

- IETF Trust becomes owner of Trademarks
- IETF Trust becomes registrant of <u>iana.org</u> (and some other names)
  - Rules to prevent operational surprises
- IETF Trust promises to do what the communities say
  - Within limits of trademark responsibility
- IETF Trust will license the IPR to the Post-Transition IANA

#### Satisfies the need

- The Trust is a neutral party
- Not a great deal to do
- It's available to do the job quickly
- Does not prevent our IANA arrangements
- Does not affect other Trust tasks
- Does not require changes to Trust
- Trustees already doing these things

## Do what they're told?

- Trust gets an advisory panel about these assets
- Community Coordination Group (CCG) tells the Trust what's ok
  - 3 members each from IETF, RIRs, Names community
  - Common advice for common things, specific advice for each community for those things

#### Small issues to discuss

- 1. Plan to arrange <u>iana.org</u> control to ensure any legal disputes can be handled
  - Can Trust ever act unilaterally? (doc says yes)
- 2. Trust-vs-community authority
  - Not our normal way of working, but consistent with Trust history

# Sometimes move at "legal time"

The control MUST be set up to prevent surprises

- Trust is the "owner" (but takes direction)
- Some commercially-available arrangement so that nothing happens without IANA-operator consent for n days
  - Then Trust can act 🖘 document says this
    - alternative: everything halts (not acceptable)

# The authority "problem"

- The <sup>™</sup> owners have to protect the <sup>™</sup>
- The proposal says the Trust has to do what the community says (through CCG)
- Trustees have fiduciary duty to enforce ™
  - So they might have to act outside community instruction
  - Already a situation (with IETF)

#### Next

- Any final tiny edits to agreed-upon principles
- Give principles to lawyers for implementing in legal agreements
- Planning to do this next week