

# PROCESS DISCUSSION

How to make decisions about the future of the RFC Editor  
Model

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- [BCP 9](#) (Internet Standards Process)
- [BCP 25](#) (Working Group processes)
- [BCP 25](#) (Anti-Harassment Procedures)
- [BCP 54](#) (Code of Conduct)
- [BCP 78](#) (Copyright)
- [BCP 79](#) (Patents, Participation)
- <https://www.ietf.org/privacy-policy/> (Privacy Policy)

# AGENDA

- **Administrivia**
  - Meeting will be recorded
  - Note Well (<https://www.ietf.org/about/note-well/>)
  - Stakeholders
- Acknowledging Possible Models
  - The RFC Editor as a wholly independent entity
  - The RFC Editor as an IAB/RSOC managed function
  - The RFC Editor as an IETF LLC managed function
- **Defining Process**
  - Who manages the community discussion?
  - Who needs to be invited to the table?
  - Who calls consensus?

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These options are mentioned here only because the seeing the breadth of possibilities is useful to help understand why the question of “who gets to decide” is not simple.

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