

A photograph of a forest with tall, thin, vertical tree trunks. The ground is covered in a thick layer of red leaves. The background is misty and hazy, creating a sense of depth and atmosphere. The lighting is soft and diffused, typical of a foggy day in a forest.

# *OUTREACH*

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“ARE WE MISSING SEEING THE FOREST?”  
[CAN'T SEE THE FOREST FOR THE TREES]

# WE ARE THE IETF...do we need to outreach more?

- **Internet Protocol** (IPv4, IPv6)
- **World Wide Web transport** (HTTP, HTTP2, HTTP/3)
- **Domain Name System** (DNS, DNSSEC, DOH)
- **Email** (IMAP, POP, SMTP)
- **Voice and video** (SIP, RTP, WebRTC)
- **Instant Messaging** (XMPP)
- **Transport protocols** (TCP, UDP, QUIC)
- **Routing protocols** (BGP, MPLS)
- **Security protocols** (TLS, IPSec, PKI)
- 2• ... and much more!

~9000 specifications

~4000 participants

~120 working groups

# What would more Outreach look like? Possible questions to ask ourselves...

- Do the right people know about the work we are doing?
- Do the right people come to the IETF and bring their work?
- Do we know good enough what “others” are doing?
- Are there metrics for these questions? What would be the measurables?
- What is the goal that we want to achieve?

Are we the right people to  
answer?  
(We are the trees)

# IETF Administrative Strategic Plan 2020

- **LLC's Strategic Goals:**
  - **“the IETF in being the standards development organization (SDO) of choice for those who want to develop Internet protocols that deploy at scale”**
  - **“building a strong community of participants at all stages of the participant journey”**
  - **“ensure the value of the IETF is well understood <by sponsors>”**

How many have read it?

# Are we (IAB) interested in Outreach?

- **Let Greg/LLC/ISOC worry about this?**
- **Maybe this is IESG, not IAB?**
- **The IESG has designated (six this year!) liaisons to support the Comms Review (Greg). IAB has one – Mirja.**

FIRST need to determine,  
are we (IAB) interested to  
do more?