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Goals

- Modernize MPI Specification
 - Without impacting implementations
 - ◆ Examples: Add const to C binding; relax send and receive buffer restrictions
- Continue to clarify MPI standard document
 - ♦ Build on the MPI 2.1 work
 - ◆ See Rolf's excellent summary
- Fix some broken parts
 - ◆ E.g., MPI::SEEK_SET (remove, rename, something else?)
- Add urgently needed missing routines
 - ◆ E.g., MPI_Offset-related datatype routines?



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Resources

- Wiki page
 - ♦ http://meetings.mpiforum.org/MPI_2.2_main_page.php
- Pre-wiki discussion of issues
 - ♦ http://www.cs.uiuc.edu/homes/wgrop p/projects/parallel/MPI/mpierrata/mpi2-2issues.htm (linked from wiki page)



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Proposing MPI 2.2 Items

- Each change needs a specific, written plan
 - Change should address
 - Author of change (just one lead author)
 - Nature of issue, including importance and evidence of need
 - History (make sure you know why the MPI Forum made the original choice)
 - Proposed solution, stated as updates to specific page/line in the MPI 2.1 standard as adopted.
 - Impact on implementations
 - Impact on applications/users
 - · Alternative solutions
 - Entry for the change log



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Creating Items

- Each change should have its own wiki page (or ticket - decision soon)
 - ◆ If you have trouble adding a page, send me a wiki-formatted page and I will install it
 - See http://svn.mpi-forum.org/trac/mpi-forum-web/wiki/WikiFormatting for formatting info
- You may add comments to any item, but please follow these rules:
 - Don't change the text append to the end
 - ◆ Identify yourself in any comment



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Exceptions

- Obvious editing errors, including erroneous example programs. These will be the responsibility of chapter editors
- We will still vote on these, so we still need
 - Nature of issue
 - ◆ Location in the MPI 2.1 document (page/line)
 - Old text
 - New text
 - Entry for the change log



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