

# New Venue Review: [LOCATION]

This is a recommendation made by the IETF Executive Director with respect to the appropriateness of [LOCATION] as a viable location for an IETF meeting, based on the assessment made by the IETF Secretariat of mandatory and important criteria taken from the requirements documented in RFC 8718<sup>1</sup>.

## Recommendation

This is a [preliminary recommendation prior to community feedback/final recommendation incorporating community feedback] made on [DATE].

Based on the assessment below of the conditions for hosting an IETF meeting in [LOCATION], the recommendation is that [LOCATION] be [approved/rejected] as a location for an IETF meeting.

## Classification system

This assessment uses the following classification system for each criterion:

Assessment	Indicator	Methodology
Met		Each test is applied on a <u>country</u> , <u>city</u> or <u>venue</u> basis. For some, local level exceptions may be considered. Some tests use an external source with no IETF LLC judgement. Others require the IETF LLC to assess multiple sources and make a judgement, as does community feedback. A venue must meet all mandatory criteria to be approved.
Uncertain but possible		
Not met		
Unable to assess / not assessed		

<sup>1</sup> <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc8718>

## Assessment of individual criteria

**CRITERION:** City includes one or more venues able to accommodate an IETF meeting (*mandatory*<sup>2</sup>).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
1.1	<u>Venue</u> : Possible venues evaluated for size and general location acceptable to hold an IETF meeting	[names of venues considered and whether or not they are appropriate or a statement that no appropriate venue identified]	

**CRITERION:** The level of Internet freedom is acceptable (*mandatory*).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
2.1	<u>Country</u> : Internet Freedom score from Freedom House <sup>3</sup> is “Free” (70/100 or above)  <i>City/Venue exceptions may override</i>	___/100 in 2019: <b>[Free/Partly Free/Not Free]</b> ___/25 – obstacles to access ___/35 – limits on content ___/40 – violation of user rights	

**CRITERION:** An overwhelming majority of participants who wish to do so can attend (*important*<sup>4</sup>).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
3.1	<u>Country</u> : Visa requirements are such that 80% of IETF attendees will be able to obtain a visa without excessive effort or cost	80% of attendees, by country, <b>[can/cannot]</b> enter _____ without a visa or through a standard application process at reasonable cost.	

<sup>2</sup> Corresponds to RFC 8718, section 3.1 Mandatory Criteria

<sup>3</sup> <https://freedomhouse.org/explore-the-map?type=fotn&year=2019>

<sup>4</sup> Corresponds to RFC 8718, section 3.2.1 important Criteria

**CRITERION:** Travel risks associated with holding an IETF meeting are acceptable (*important*).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
4.1	<p><u>Country</u>: US State Dept travel advisory<sup>5</sup> is at level 1 (<i>Exercise Normal Precautions</i>) or level 2 (<i>Exercise Increased Caution</i>) and not at level 3 (<i>Reconsider Travel</i>) or level 4 (<i>Do Not Travel</i>)</p> <p><i>Region/City exceptions may override</i></p>	US State Dept travel advisory is at level _____ which is <b>[acceptable/not acceptable]</b> .	

**CRITERION:** Health risks associated with holding an IETF meeting are acceptable (*important*).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
5.1	<p><u>Country</u>: No local disease outbreak or epidemic or regular vaccination requirements<sup>6 7</sup> for serious diseases other than those we expect all attendees to be vaccinated against (<i>Currently: Chickenpox, Diphtheria, Hepatitis A, Measles, Mumps, Pertussis, Polio, Rabies, Rubella, Tetanus and Typhoid</i>)</p> <p><i>Region/City exceptions may override</i></p>	<b>[relevant diseases, epidemics or vaccine requirements and associated risks to visitors]</b>	

<sup>5</sup> <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.who.int/publications/m/item/vaccination-requirements-and-recommendations-for-international-travelers-and-malaria-situation-per-country-2020-edition>

<sup>7</sup> <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>

5.2	<u>City</u> : Air Quality Index <sup>8</sup> in March, July or November is below 50 ( <i>Good</i> ), or below 100 ( <i>Moderate</i> ) or below 150 ( <i>Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups</i> ) for at least 16 days of the month for 2016-2020.	March AQI (PM2.5) is [acceptable/not acceptable]. July AQI (PM2.5) is [acceptable/not acceptable]. November AQI (PM2.5) is [acceptable/not acceptable].	
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**CRITERION:** Human rights risks associated with holding an IETF meeting are acceptable (*important*).

#	Test	Assessment	Indicator
6.1	<u>Country</u> : Women Peace and Security Index <sup>9</sup> score from the Georgetown Institute of Women, Peace and Security is in the top two quintiles (0.71 or above on a scale of 0 to 1)  <i>Region/City exceptions may override</i>	WPS Index score of ____ is [acceptable/not acceptable]	
6.2	<u>Country</u> : Safe for LGBT people, researched on an individual basis using multiple sources including Global LGBT Acceptance Index <sup>10</sup> , Asher and Lyric Fergusson LGBTQ+ Danger Index <sup>11</sup> and others found at the time of assessment.  <i>Region/City exceptions may override</i>	Level of LGBT acceptance and safety is [acceptable/not acceptable]	

<sup>8</sup> <https://aqicn.org/map/world/>

<sup>9</sup> <https://giwps.georgetown.edu/the-index/>

<sup>10</sup> <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/wp-content/uploads/Global-Acceptance-Index-LGBT-Oct-2019.pdf>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.asherfergusson.com/lgbtq-travel-safety/>

6.3	<p>Country: No significant discrimination or persecution of religious freedoms, researched on an individual basis using multiple sources including World Bank<sup>12</sup>, Religious Freedom Report<sup>13</sup> and others found at the time of assessment.</p> <p><i>Region/City exceptions may override</i></p>	<p>Level of religious freedom is <b>[acceptable/not acceptable]</b>.</p>	
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## Additional sources including community feedback

- [replace with additional sources , if any].
- Community feedback announcement: [ ]
- Community discussions: [ ]
- Summary of community feedback: [ ]

## Summary

[ ] have been assessed as meeting the requirements; [ ] have been assessed as not meeting the requirements and [ ] have been assessed as uncertain but possible. [ ] criteria have not been assessed because an earlier evaluated criterion has not met the requirements.

Date of assessment and recommendation: [DATE]

<sup>12</sup> [https://govdata360.worldbank.org/indicators/hd6a18526?indicator=41930&viz=line\\_chart&years=1975,2018](https://govdata360.worldbank.org/indicators/hd6a18526?indicator=41930&viz=line_chart&years=1975,2018)

<sup>13</sup> <https://religious-freedom-report.org/#map>