



Path to CR

In two easy steps

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The background of the image is a dramatic, dark, cloudy sky. A bright, possibly sun or moon, is visible through the clouds, creating a strong contrast. The overall mood is mysterious and intense.

THE WAY, THIS IS

First Step: Reviews

First this to do, it is having the Working Group Decision (e.g., Call for Consensus we had in calls and GitHub).

After the decision, the main task for the group is to asks for **Reviews**, this consist in filing the requests in repositories to horizontal groups, as per the [Guidebook](#):

- **Wide**: A communication is sent to the groups specified in the Charter coordination.
- **Horizontal**: Issues are opened to horizontal review groups (including responses to questionnaires)



First Step: Wide Reviews

We have two ways:

- a. **Formal**: Write an e-mail and send to the groups/organizations indicated in our Charter ([Coordination](#) section).
- b. **Informal**: maybe we have some people in the WG in the same groups, in this case, we need to provide a narrative.

In our case:

- **WHATWG**
- **IETF** (e.g., for HTTP)

In general, we need also the **Change History**.

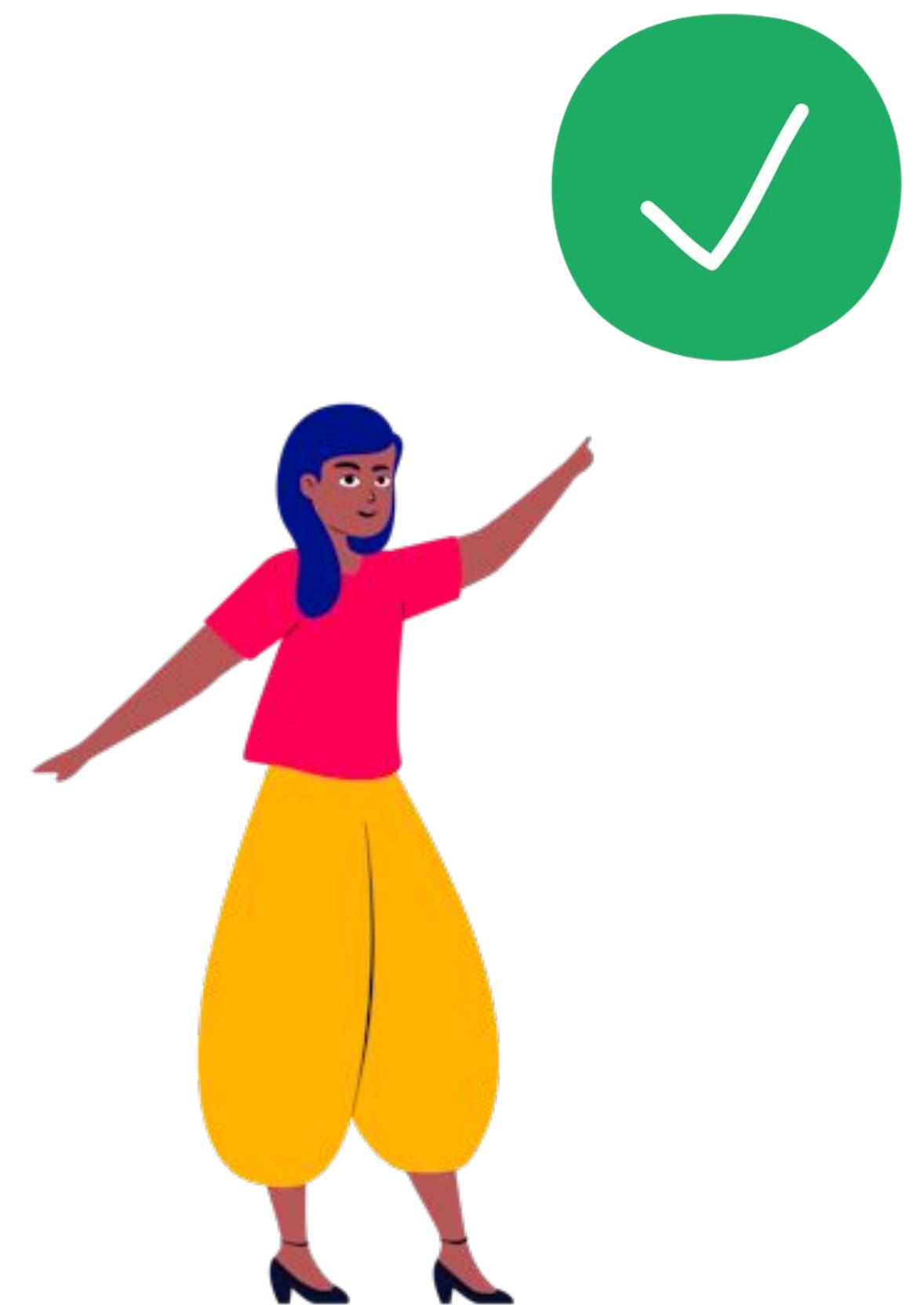


First Step: Horizontal Reviews

We need to **send to horizontal groups the request via GitHub**, providing material to the review groups, then give them time to do the review.

- **Accessibility** ([Questionnaire](#), [Issue](#))
- **Architecture** ([How to](#), [Issue](#))
- **Internationalization** ([How to](#), [Questionnaire](#), [Issue](#))
- **Privacy** ([Questionnaire](#), [Issue](#))
- **Security** ([Questionnaire](#), [Issue](#))

The reviews **may raise issues in the spec repo**, which could be **informational** notes (e.g., **-tracker**) or blockers (**-needs-resolution**) that must be removed before proceeding.



Second Step: Implementation

If **reviews give the key to entering CR**, the **key to exit from CR is in implementations (two, at least)**, and we have to decide this while asking the transition request.

- **How do we want to demonstrate that implementations** (e.g., Web Test) of the various features are present?
- **Which features should be considered necessary for exiting, and which ones could be lost?**
 - If the latter, they should be marked as “at risk” and can be removed.
 - If, on the other hand, there is a feature that is not “at risk” but lacks an implementation, the CR transition request must be redone.
- **Set a date by which to exit CR** (which is essentially the *time for implementations*)

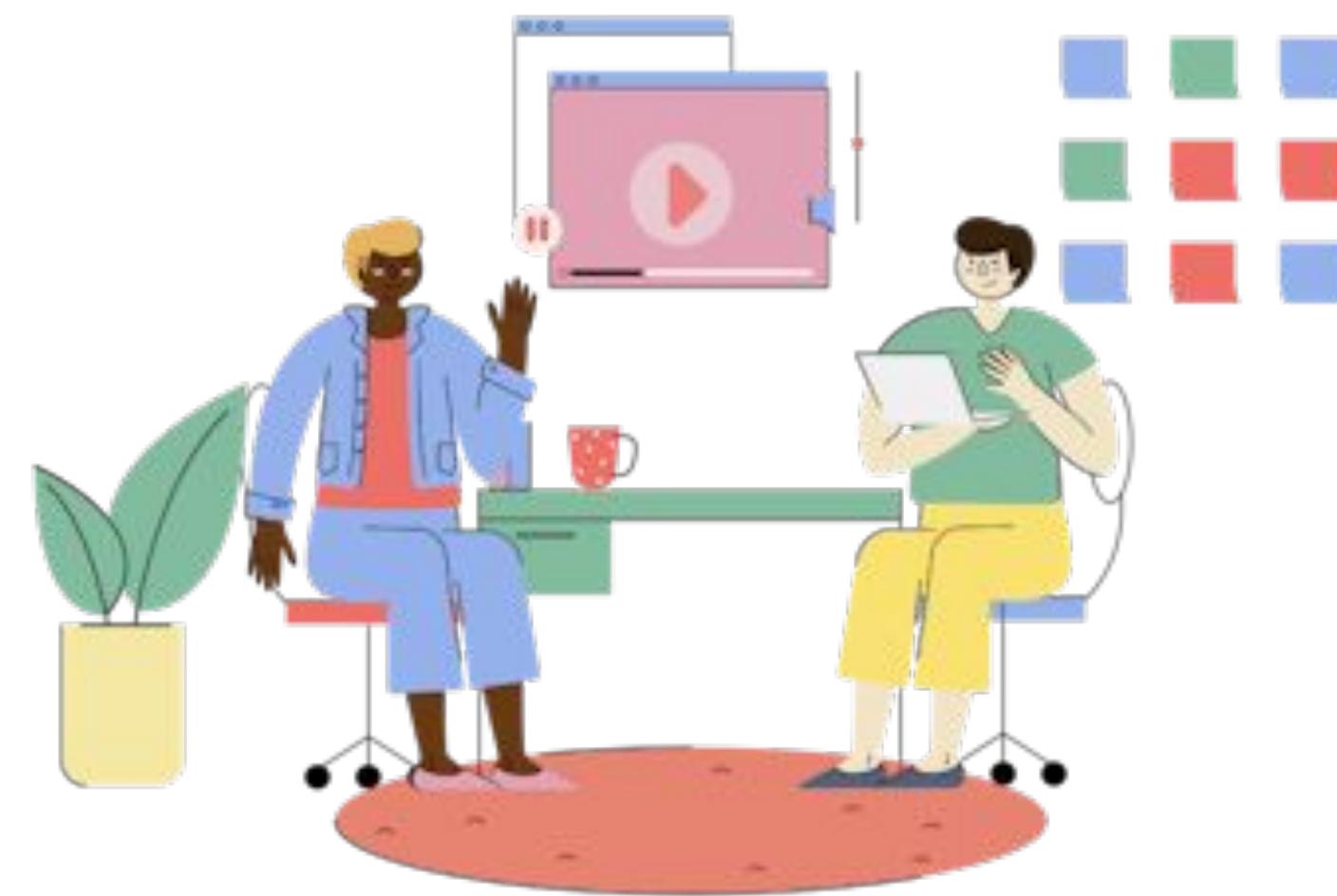


Second Step: Few other things...

We should **not have any formal objections**, providing the **list of issues addressed** (e.g., with a milestone on GitHub), and can file the transition request.

But we have to **decide the working mode: REC or CR Snapshot**? There's **no one-size-fits-all choice**; it depends. **Both models have trade-offs**; neither is inherently better, but **Working Group's workflow will be affected by the model chosen**. Some examples:

- **Interchange standards** that need a clear "this is the standard" signal (e.g., TTML) typically suit the **REC** model.
- **Browser-targeted** tech if it is expected to **evolve with ongoing features** (e.g., WebGPU) can fit the **CR Snapshot** model. *Counterexample: WebAssembly is similar to WebGPU but it is a REC.*



Thank you.

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