RESTful Provisioning Protocol
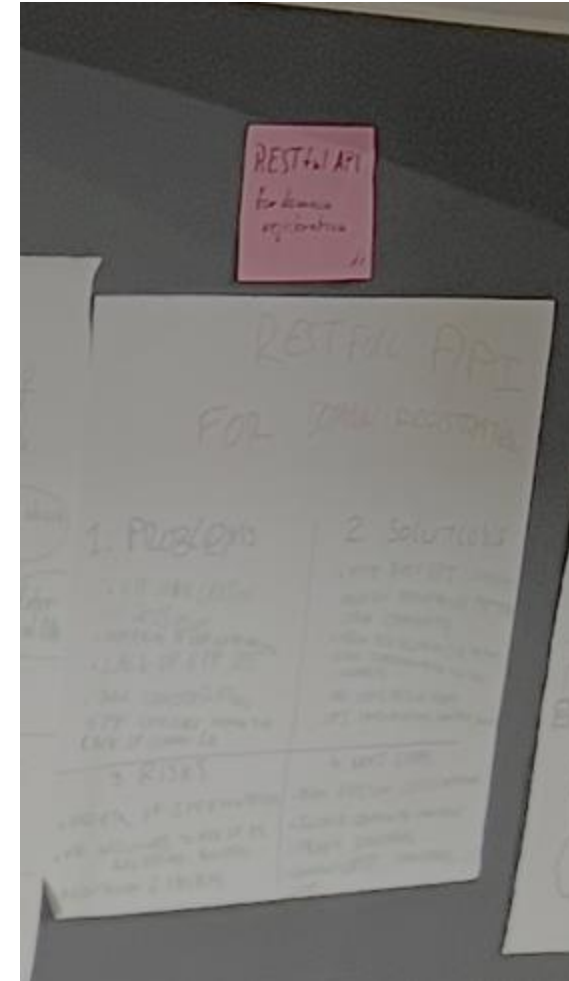
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How it started

- CENTR R&D/Tech 2023
- RESTful API for domain provisioning was discussed
- Old draft from 2012 from Maarten was found

What is RESTful Provisioning Protocol (RPP)

- Name has changed to RPP, to signal it's not EPP

- Goals:

  - Scalability

  - Performance

  - Usability

  - Security

  - Avoid fragmentation

  - Use of standard web technologies, tools and solutions

  - JSON support

Activities so far

- **IETF 118 Prague (Nov 2023)**

  - First draft presented to the REGEXT WG

  - The work is useful and important

  - There should be a split between RESTful EPP with XML representation and then evolution to JSON

- **IETF 119 Brisbane (Mar 2024)**

  - There is support but also a concern that proposal is not RFC5730 compliant

  - The way forward with regard to charter of REGEXT is not clear

Activities so far

- **IETF 120 Vancouver (Jul 2024)**

  - Worked on OpenAPI spec (Hackathon) and approach to put EPP payloads in RESTful API, then map to JSON

    - can't do a good RESTful API without changes to EPP schema

    - … which is considered not to be EPP anymore

    - … compatibility with EPP data model should be a goal, but being strictly bound to all of EPP specifications would be too much of limiting factor

  - The consensus that it would better fit in a new wg

  - Decided to organize a wg forming BoF at IETF 121

Current Status

- Working on a draft charter for the new wg

- Created a mailinglist rpp@ietf.org

  - https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/browse/rpp/

- Github repository:

  - Working Group charter:
    https://github.com/SIDN/ietf-wg-rpp-charter

We need your help

- We need more input/feedback from other ccTLD registries

- Please consider to:

  - Send a message/sign in to the mailinglist (rpp@ietf.org)

  - Join discussion on the issues in GitHub / issue pull requests with proposals

  - Join the BoF @IETF121 in Dublin or online

  - Talk to me or Pawel about what you can do

It is vital for more registries to let the IETF community know:

- Interest in this work

- Existing similar registry APIs.

Next steps

- IETF 121 Hackathon (2-3.11.2024)
- BoF session during IETF 121 Dublin (Wed 6.11.2024 10:30-12:30 CET)
  - establish consensus around the charter
  - see the support from the IETF community
  - if all clear IETF will start the working group
- First deliverables of the (to be) working group:
  - requirements document
  - architecture

Thank you

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