

A man in a white shirt and red tie is holding a large red pipe over a colorful landscape. The landscape is divided into yellow, blue, and green sections. The man is standing on a blue section, and the pipe is arched over the yellow and blue sections. The background is a textured blue sky.

Some thoughts

Harald Alvestrand

After 2.5 years as IETF chair

On Leading the IETF

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**We reject kings, presidents and
voting**

**We believe in rough consensus and
running code.**

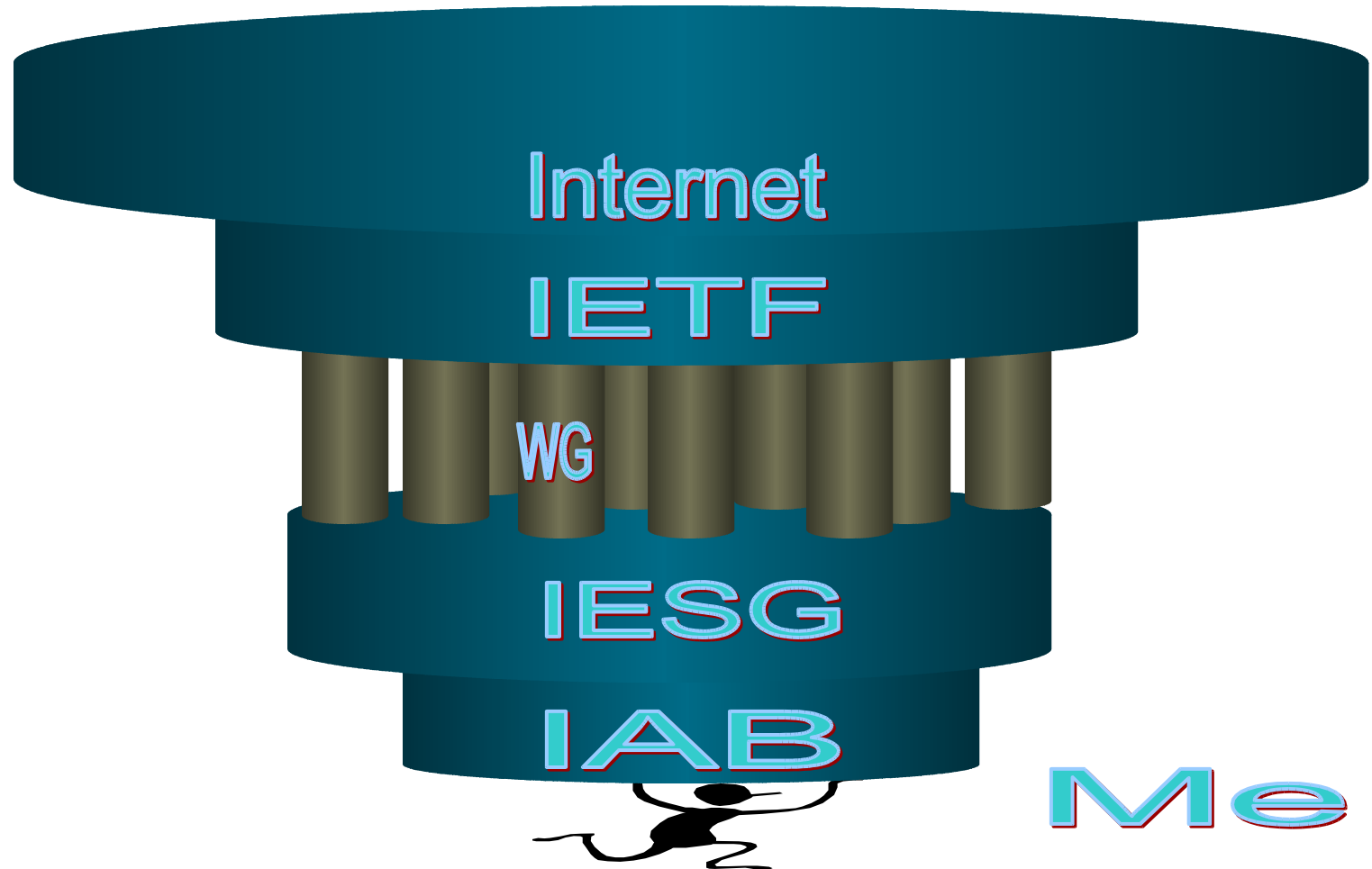
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The IETF Credo

The IETF Hierarchy



A truer picture



What the world sees

Internet

The Role of the IETF

- **The Internet is an idea, a network, and a society**
- **The IETF exists to make the Internet work well**
- **We do together what we cannot do apart**

The role of the Chair

- **The Internet is the purpose**
- **The members are the ones who work**
- **The IESG and IAB facilitate**
- **The chair helps**

On working on change

- **We must propose**
That was our charge from Vienna
- **We must discuss**
Openly, freely – even if painfully
- **Then we must do**

In summary

- **The Internet is doing well**
- **The IETF is doing well**
- **We have to work hard to make it stay that way**
- **Together.**