Proposed Refinement of the W3C DNT Decision Process

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Progress to Date

• We made great progress
• We exchanged and mutually understand our views
• We identified the issues to resolve
• We have drafts and documents
Challenges we see

• Continuing like this, we will not meet the timeline that we agreed upon:

• Problem 1: Slow progress generating text
  – Discussions do not lead to text proposals
  – Texts are not delivered as promised

• Problem 2: Slow progress to close issues
  – Difficulties to close despite having 80/20 consensus
  – Discussions that do not lead to updated text
  – Issues where the group is currently divided and where compromises or decisions are needed
Proposed Process Refinements

• Goal 1: Text-centric Process
  – Focus on generating and revising text
  – “If it is not written as text, it does not exist”
  – Use boxed discussions to scope
  – Task stakeholders to propose text

• Goal 2: Reinforced Project Management
  – Each issue will be managed along a timeline
  – Phases will include calls for texts, reviews, and decisions.
How to Manage an Issue

- Goal: 1 week per transition

Agreement Procedure:
- a) Group Consensus
- b) Chairs identify 80/20 solution
Benefits and Actions

- **Benefits**
  - Keeping our promised deadline
  - Focus on essential requirements (...where people are willing to provide text)
  - Concrete and specific proposals and counterproposals

- **Actions**
  - Agree on this new process
  - Establish issue management process
  - Get going...