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Charge of the InCommon Future Committee

The InCommon Future Committee is chartered by the InCommon Steering Committee and the Internet2 Advisory Councils AMSAC and RAC to look at a wide range of issues related to the future of InCommon.

InCommon Mission (from website):

The mission of the InCommon Federation is to create and support a *common framework* for trustworthy shared management of access to on-line resources in support of *education and research* in the *United States*. To achieve its mission, InCommon will facilitate development of a *community-based* common trust fabric sufficient to enable participants to make appropriate *decisions about the release of identity information and the control of access to protected online resources*. InCommon is intended to enable *production-level end-user access* to a wide variety of protected resources.

Shared Principles:

- Do right for the US R&E community;
 - Do right by InCommon participants;
 - Do right by Internet2 members;
- Foster technology transfer and create a marketplace for Internet identity services

Initial Deliverable:

We will develop a **three-year** planning document that positions InCommon to fulfill its mission. This planning document will have the following sections:

1. A background section that provides context for the reader;
2. A membership section that identifies the types of organizations InCommon will and will not serve;
3. A services section that describes the products and services InCommon will and **will not offer**, how these will be marketed, the relationship of InCommon to other federations, and the likely expected growth in participants.
4. A financial section that identifies crucial investments, partnerships, and revenue models to support participant growth and the development of new services while becoming financially self-sufficient over this time period; and
5. An organizational section that describes how InCommon governance and participant input should evolve with the expected growth in the organization; how the governance of InCommon fits into the new governance structure of Internet2; and how InCommon might be positioned vis-a-vis other U.S. research and education initiatives.

Timeline:

A *draft* plan will be developed for broad review and focus group discussion at the Internet2 Spring Member meeting held April 27-29. Additional input will be sought

through at least one InCommon participant/Internet2 Member web-and-phone conference.

A revised draft based on community input will then be forwarded to the two Internet2 advisory councils involved in chartering InCommon Future (AMSAC and RAC) and the InCommon Steering Committee by (See Draft Timeline) with Input from all bodies requested by (See Draft Timeline).

The initial goal is to produce a final draft by June 15th, which can be endorsed by the InCommon Steering Committee, AMSAC, and RAC, and submitted jointly by these groups to the Internet2 Board on June 23rd for discussion at the July 7th meeting of the Internet2 board.