Some thoughts for Future Meetings Subcommittee Ad Hoc Rescoping

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Existing Future Meeting Vision Ad Hoc Scope

- Establish a long term vision for how IEEE 802 meetings might operate effectively in the future, possibly challenging the historical assumption that IEEE 802 WGs meeting F2F six times per year is optimal
- The immediate goal of the ad hoc will be to understand what has worked well and what has not worked well with remote meetings over the last 18 months, and what would be needed to allow remote meetings to operate better in the future
- This understanding will then assist the ad hoc explore the longer term question of how often IEEE 802 WGs should meet F2F, remotely or in a hybrid mode in the future

Needs: Clearly identified Actions and Outputs

- Only the first sentence is actionable: Establish a long term vision for how IEEE 802 meetings might operate effectively in the future.
  - The other two are "understandings" useful in establishing such a vision
- We are already in the future…
  - We have operational needs for decisions, and a scope that reflected these might help to produce output
  - Suggest: Establish recommendations for… (a), (b), (c)…
    - Perhaps with a timeframe
- 802 (plenary) meeting planning has distinct needs over 2 distinct periods of time:
  - Now – 2026: Need to understand meeting sizes, room sizes, remote access requirements so that adjustments can be negotiated
  - 2026 on: Need to understand how many meeting venues per year to contract and with what facilities, in order to keep our meeting pipeline healthy

Suggested Scope (strawman)

- Establish recommendations to be presented at the March 802 EC plenary on
  - Guidelines for providing remote access at 802 <u>plenary</u> meetings between now and 2026, including:
    - Any augmentation of networking or remote access needed
    - Estimate any changes in venue requirements (e.g., meeting rooms & room block sizes)
    - If remote access is sunsetted what conditions need to be met before sunsetting
    - Identification of areas where rules may need modification due to remote access (but not the modifications themselves)
  - Guidelines for meeting requirements <u>(for 802 plenaries)</u> beyond 2026, including:
    - Any modification of the nominal plan of 3 802 plenary meetings per year
    - Any modification of the nominal plan of all working groups meeting in-person at the plenary
    - Whether 802 plenary meetings return to in-person only, remain hybrid, or include one or more electronic-only meeting
    - Identification of any desired changes related to meeting preparations for remote access
    - Identification of areas where rules may need modification to reflect changes in the meeting plans

Ad Hoc Output (12/8/2022)

- Propose to update future-meeting adhoc scope to:
  - Establish recommendations to be presented at the March 802 EC plenary on guidelines for meeting requirements (for 802 plenaries) beyond 2026, including:
    - Planned annual format for 802 plenary sessions, i.e., in-person, mixed-mode, electronic-only, or some combination
    - Any modification to the rule of three 802 plenary sessions per year
    - Any modification to the rule of all working groups meeting in-person at the 802 plenary sessions

- Recommend December 2022 EC to decide:
  - Whether currently contracted meetings offer remote access by default