

W3C horizontal review 101

[Virginie Galindo]

Chairs and Editors training
Oct 2015

Objective of that hour

- Make sure you know that horizontal review are important for the web,
- Indicate where you can find support on privacy, security, accessibility and internationalization,
- Direct you to reviewing material available.

Horizontal like what?

- Internationalization
- Accessibility
- Privacy
- Security

Ensuring sustained W3C value: a trusted web for all, in addition to a performing and enabling business!

Why, when and how should you horizontally review?

- Making sure your deliverable allows a web for all, without challenging privacy and security of users,
- Hey look, your charter should be reviewed to identify potential horizontal review request
 - http://www.w3.org/Guide/Charter#horizontal-review
- Happening between your First Public Working Draft and the Proposed Recommendation
 - The earlier is the best (well, almost)

- Don't worry, you'll get some extra support from experts
 - You can breath normally

Horizontal review mechanics

- When writing requirements (if available), share it with reviewers
- When going to FPWD
 - Contact the appropriate reviewers
 - Indicating your approximate REC timeline
 - With a first feeling where you need their help
- Nominate a champion in your WG to deal with the reviewer - and forthcoming Q&A
- Maintain the stream all along the spec life

Reviews...

- Yes, you have 4 reviews to conduct in addition to your usual business, your WG calls late at night and you bug tracking tasks, yes we know...
- But this is the guarantee of Open Web Platform consistency
- Be brave !

Internationalization: 118n

- To ensure that the technology supports text in any writing system of the world
- W3C technologies are built on the universal character set, Unicode
- Some challenges
 - Writing vertically
 - Mix right-to-left and left-to-right text
 - forms or designing ontologies
 - Cultural symbolism

118n structure

- Internationalization (i18n) is part of the Interaction Domain
- It consists of:
 - Internationalization Interest Group
 - Internationalization Working Group
 - ITS (Internationalization Tag Set) Interest Group
 - Plus some community groups
- Reviews must be asked to Internationalization WG

118n support

- Best practice guidelines for developing spec
 - http://www.w3.org/International/techniques/ developing-specs-dynamic
- Typography Index
 - requirements, tests, specs to support of languages based on Latin and non-Latin scripts
 - http://w3c.github.io/typography/
- Bridges between your WG and I18n WG can be automatically created for I18n issues, with bugzilla, emails and github: ask the team!

118n contact

- I18n WG Chair:
 - Addison Phillips <u>aphillips@amazon.com</u>
- I18n team contact:
 - Richard Ishida <u>ishida@w3.org</u>
- Please look also here
 - https://www.w3.org/International/wiki/ Review_radar

Accessibility: A11y

- To ensure that anyone including the ones with disabilities - can access the web
- Web accessibility supports social inclusion, but also improve SEO and device independence
- Accessibility targets web content, user agent, assistive devices, authoring tools, and evaluation tools

A11y structure

- The Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI) is responsible for accessibility http://www.w3.org/WAI/
- WAI has groups for spec reviews, spec development, guidelines development, education and outreach, general discussion
- Reviews must be asked to Accessible Platform Architectures (APA) WG

(formerly the Protocols and Formats Working Group, PFWG)

A11y support

- All W3C specifications should support accessibility
- Draft best practices for developing specifications:
 Web Technology Accessibility Guidelines http://w3c.github.io/pfwg/wtag/wtag.html
 Draft Checklist: http://w3c.github.io/pfwg/wtag/checklist
- 7/24 irc channel for discussion (but not complete review)
 - https://github.com/w3c/a11ySlackers

A11y contact

- Accessible Platforms Architecture (APA) WG Chair Janina Sajka janina@rednote.net
 - Note that (PFWG is transitioning to APA WG)
- PFWG/APA WG Team Contact: Michael Cooper <u>cooper@w3.org</u>
- cc requests to <u>wai-xtech@w3.org</u> mailing list

Privacy

- Applications built on the Web platform have access to more sensitive data including location, health and social network information — and users' activity on the Web is ubiquitously tracked
- W3C Privacy activity aims to ensure that the open web platform does not harm user's privacy
 - It covers tracking, fingerprinting and API design

Privacy structure

- Privacy at W3C
 - http://www.w3.org/Privacy/
- It consists of:
 - Privacy Interest Group
 - Tracking Protection WG
- → Reviews must be asked to Privacy Interest Group

Privacy support

- (draft) Guidelines
 - Fingerprint guidance for editors
 - http://w3c.github.io/fingerprinting-guidance/
 - TAG review questionnaire (covering security and privacy)
 - https://w3ctag.github.io/security-questionnaire/

Privacy contacts

- PING chairs
 - Christine Runnegar <u>runnegar@isoc.org</u>
 - Tara Whalen <u>tjwhalen@gmail.com</u>
- Privacy team contact:
 - Nick Doty npdoty@w3.org

Security

 More sensitive and valuable data are transiting through the web, and the web needs to stay a trusted place to remain competitive

 Security activity aims to adapt the web security model with new features and special care in the API design

Security structure

- Security at W3C
 - http://www.w3.org/Security/
- It consists of :
 - Web App Sec WG, Web Crypto WG, Web Payment WG
 - Web Security Interest Group
- → Reviews must be asked to Security Interest Group and TAG

Security support

- (draft) Guidelines
 - TAG review questionnaire (covering security and privacy)
 - https://w3ctag.github.io/security-questionnaire/

Security contacts

- Web Security chair
 - Virginie Galindo <u>virginie.galindo@gemalto.com</u>
- TAG co-chairs
 - Dan Applequist <u>appelquist@gmail.com</u>
 - Peter Linss <u>peter.linss@hp.com</u>
- Security team contact:
 - Wendy Seltzer <u>wseltzer@w3.org</u>

They have worked hard to make that presentation happening...

Coralie Mercier, Judy Brewer, Léonie Watson, Wendy Seltzer, Felix Sasaki, Richard Ishida, Keiji Takeda, Nick Doty

Thank You!

Question?

It is absolutely okay to complain and suggest improvement

