We’re all peer-to-peer now

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http://www.w3.org/People/Weitzner.html
From the 1998 Web -> Web 2.0
Changing usage and traffic patterns
A simple blog page

http://people.w3.org/...
...from many sources
Speakers depend on essential, non-discriminatory features of the Internet

Low/zero transaction costs between speakers & user-audience
• Simple economic model
  • user pays
  • No privity between speaker and user’s ISP

• Internet community social compact
  • Common technical protocols
  • Best efforts routing
  • Aggressive network management to curb criminal interference with network operation (spam, DDOS, etc.)

These essential features of the Internet enable open competition, innovation and First Amendment diversity of speakers, but did not arise through market forces alone.