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Foreword

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Introduction

Roundtable VI took place on May 22-25, 2006, hosted by IBM/Lotus in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Monday May 22nd and Tuesday morning the 23rd were a dedicated CalConnect Interoperability Event where participating organizations performed interoperability testing on their calendaring and scheduling implementations.

Tuesday morning a pair of Practicums on iCalendar standards and on CalDAV were offered. The Roundtable itself convened midday on Tuesday the 23rd and closed midday on Thursday the 25th.

Tuesday afternoon was dedicated to a Mobile Calendaring Workshop, sponsored by TC-MOBILE (and replacing TC MOBILE's regular working session).

Wednesday, and part of Thursday morning, were dedicated to the other technical committee sessions, with an all-hands Plenary meeting at the end. The Technical Committee sessions were organized sequentially, to allow all attendees who wished to be involved in the discussions of a Technical Committee the opportunity to do so.

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1. Update on Technical Committees and Initiatives

Work Products: Since Roundtable V, *Recurrence Problems and Recommendations* document and the *Timezone Registry and Service Recommendations* have been published. The *Calendaring Glossary* should proceed to last call shortly, as should the *Mobile Calendaring Questionnaire Results Document*.

TC-AUTHENTICATE is monitoring discussion on the issues of http authentication leading up to the IETF meeting in July.

TC-CALDAV is working on requirements for CalDAV Scheduling as input to the development of the scheduling draft for CalDAV.

TC-EVENTPUB has developed a proposal for a VVENUE extension to iCalendar to support event publication with expanded information, and plans to submit it as an individual draft to the IETF.

TC-FREEBUSY was formed at this Roundtable to coordinate CalConnect efforts associated with The Open Group Federated Free/Busy Challenge, leading to a proof of concept demonstration in Mid-July.

TC-MOBILE conducted its Mobile Calendaring Workshop at this Roundtable and will publish the results of its mobile calendaring questionnaire shortly. The TC is beginning work on a white paper delineating the reasons for (especially) mobile device and software manufacturers and operators to migrate to iCalendar from vCalendar.

TC-REALTIME is actively working on the issues associated with server to server communication.

TC-RECURR was disbanded, having completed its charter.

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TC-USECASE has completed work on the Calendaring Glossary document, which will go to Last Call in the Consortium shortly, and has begun work on the minimum interoperable subset for tasks (VTODOs).

CalATOM Ad Hoc Group: A discussion mailing list on CalATOM and associated issues such as RSS was formed at this Roundtable. The discussion list is open to interested individuals whether or not they represent CalConnect members.

CalConnect Interoperability Event: Participants in the interoperability testing event included EVDB, Oracle, OSAF and RPI (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute). Results from the event will be posted at Past IOP Reports.

2. Future Meetings

The next meeting (Roundtable VII) will take place 26-29 September 2006 in the San Francisco Bay Area. The following meeting (Roundtable VIII) will take place in mid-January, probably on the East Coast.