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Foreword

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Introduction

Roundtable IX and the accompanying IOP test event took place May 7-11, 2007, hosted by Boeing in Seattle, Washington. The event was attended by 43 representatives from 31 organizations, including representatives from three observers (organizations attending a Roundtable to see if they wish to join).

Monday noon through Wednesday noon, May 7-9, was a dedicated CalConnect Interoperability Test Event where 6 participating organizations performed interoperability testing between their calendaring and scheduling implementations. Wednesday afternoon, all day Thursday, and Friday morning comprised the Roundtable. The majority of this time was dedicated to technical committee sessions, BOFs, and informal discussions and networking, with an all-hands Plenary meeting as the last item on Friday morning. 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

1.1. Work Products

Since Roundtable VIII, TC USECASE has published the Minimum Interoperable Subset Use Cases for Tasks (VTODO), and the DST Ad Hoc committee regularly updated the Extended Daylight Savings Time Information pages to provide information on the early shift to Daylight Savings Time. The Consortium also implemented a public Calendar Administrators Discussion List, and a new website.

1.2. TC CALDAV

The TC is in the final stages of work on the *CalDAV Scheduling Requirements* paper which should be published in June. The TC also has several extensions which have been proposed for investigation, but expects to complete its work by Roundtable X in September.

1.3. TC EVENTPUB

TC EVENTPUB reviewed VVENUE and discussions on localization, and the current status of work on the "eventmap" event sharing proposal.

1.4. TC FREEBUSY

TC FREEBUSY reviewed previous work including the status of the Boeing Federated Free/Busy project, and has begun work on the FREEBUSY URL proposal.

1.5. TC IOPTTEST

TC IOPTTEST initiated monthly Jabber IOP test events as an adjunct to the full IOP test events held with Roundtables. The TC reported on the IOP test event just completed, and is continuing to work with TC MOBILE on the development of a Mobile Interoperability Test Suite and planning for a Mobile Interoperability Test Event.

1.6. TC MOBILE

TC MOBILE reviewed the current draft of its Mobile Interoperability Test Suite, and continues to develop it. The TC plans a Mobile Interoperability Test Event targeted to the mobile industry in 4Q07 or 1Q08, probably in the U.K. or Europe. The TC is also working on recurrence simplification for mobile devices as input to the IETF CALSIFY effort.

1.7. TC REALTIME

The TC will be reactivated in June and expects to begin work with the consideration of Anonymous Free/Busy, in conjunction with TC FREEBUSY.

1.8. TC USECASE

The TC has published the Min-IOP (Minimum Interoperable Subset) Use Cases for Tasks (VTODO) and has begun work on considering Use Cases for Resources. The TC has also undertaken a study of recurrence features in mobile device support for TC MOBILE.

1.9. Daylight Saving Time Ad Hoc

The DST Ad Hoc reported on its work leading up to the DST conversion in March, and plans to prepare a “lessons learned” document. The document will cover preparations, lessons learned, planning for November, and longer-term recommendations.

1.10. CalConnect Interoperability Test Event

Participants in the IOP test event included Apple, Marware, OSAF, Bedework (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute), Sun Microsystems (Lightning), and Synchronica. Results from the event will be posted at Past IOP Reports as soon as they are collated and prepared.

1.11. BOFS

BOF topics included SSE (Simple Sharing Extensions), XML for iCalendar representation, vCard initiatives, and the DST follow-on work.

1.12. New Initiatives

The Consortium plans to initiate work on a follow-on activity to TC TIMEZONE in the area of a timezone registry and service protocol; XML for iCalendar representation; and a possible vCard/Content Workshop in September to help define the problems and potential solutions.

2. Future Meetings

- ROUNDTABLE X: September 17-21, Cambridge, Massachusetts, hosted by M.I.T. (location and host tentative).
- ROUNDTABLE XI: February 4-8, 2008, location and host TBD
- ROUNDTABLE XII: June 2-6, 2008, Madison, Wisconsin, hosted by the University of Wisconsin (date, location and host tentative).

The format of CalConnect week will remain the same for these events:

- Monday noon through Wednesday noon, IOP Test Event
- Wednesday noon through Friday noon, Roundtable (TC sessions, BOFs, networking, Plenary).