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Foreword

The Calendaring and Scheduling Consortium (“CalConnect”) is a global non-profit organization with the aim to facilitate interoperability of technologies across user-centric systems and applications.

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Introduction

Roundtable V took place on January 9-12, 2006, hosted by Novell in Provo, Utah. Monday January 9th and Tuesday morning the 10th were a dedicated CalConnect Interoperability Event where seven organizations performed interoperability testing on their calendaring and scheduling implementations. The Roundtable itself convened midday on Tuesday the 10th and closed midday on Thursday the 12th. As usual, most of the time was dedicated to 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. Delegates were also present from The Open Group Messaging Forum to discuss a possible joint endeavor with respect to a Federated Freebusy Challenge which the TOG/MF has issued.

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1. Update on Technical Committees and Initiatives

Work Products: *The iCalendar Timezone Problems and Recommendations* document and an update to the *Min-IOP Use Cases* document were approved for publication and have been published on the Consortium web site. The *Timezone Registry/Resource Recommendations* document, *Calendaring Glossary*, and *Recurrence Problems and Recommendations* document, among others, are in progress; the Recurrence document is intended to be published in time to be delivered to the CALSIFY Working Group of the IETF in March.

TC-AUTHENTICATE is undertaking a study of authentication schemes used by existing calendaring and scheduling implementations (many proprietary) in preparation for recommendations for short-term and longer-term authentication methods for calendaring. The study will be published when complete.

TC-CALDAV is beginning work on use cases and requirements for CalDAV Scheduling as input to the development of the scheduling draft for CalDAV. The TC is also considering requirements for a specialized Freebusy Service component for CalDAV which might address the TOG/MF requirement mentioned above.

TC-EVENTPUB has conducted a survey on existing event publication systems, and is working on requirements for expanded location information in iCalendar to support the needs for event publication.

TC-MOBILE is conducting a survey of calendaring with mobile devices and has begun the development of a problem statement to define the requirements for open, interoperable calendaring with mobile devices. The TC hopes to liaise with the OMA in April and invite their participation in the May Roundtable to assist in developing the requirements for calendaring and scheduling standards to support mobile devices.

TC-REALTIME is beginning the refinement of use cases associated with "real time" server-to-server communication.

TC-RECURR is in the process of refining its Problems and Recommendations document to be delivered to the IETF Calsify Working Group in time for their March meeting.

TC-TIMEZONE has completed its Problems and Recommendations document for publication and is working on a Timezone Registry and Service recommendations document.

TC-USECASE has completed its Min-IOP Use Cases document for publication and is working on the Calendaring Glossary document.

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

2. Future Meetings

The next meeting (Roundtable VI) will take place 22-25 May 2006, hosted by IBM/Lotus in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Based on the successful model for Roundtable V, where the CalConnect Interoperability Event was conducted the first 1.5 days, followed by the Roundtable, this model will be continued at Roundtable VI.