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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 XXV took place on October 3-5, 2012, hosted by Google in Zürich, Switzerland. The event was attended by 26 people from 11 members and 5 non-members. The CalConnect Interoperability Test Event was held immediately prior to the Roundtable on October 1-3. Twenty-two people from 10 members and 2 non-members were present onsite, and four members participated remotely.

The Roundtable was dedicated to technical committee sessions, and informal discussions and networking, with an all-hands Plenary meeting as the last item on Friday afternoon. The Technical Committee sessions were as usual organized sequentially, without competing parallel sessions, as is our standard practice to allow all attendees who wished to be involved in the discussions of each Technical Committee the opportunity to do so.

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1. Special Events

The Roundtable was structured with all regular TC sessions occurring in the afternoon to facilitate remote participation (in particular from North America) for the TC sessions. Thursday and Friday mornings were used for special symposia and BOFs:

- Improving the web calendaring experience for end users
- Calendaring futures and CalConnect directions
- Internationalization/Localization for calendaring data
- Best practices for publishing iCalendar data to ensure optimum interoperability
- BOF on VT0D0s
- BOF on Consensus Scheduling

Following the BOF on VT0D0s, a VT0D0 Ad Hoc Committee was formed to examine requirements and ongooing work on VT0D0s and recommend future activity in this area to CalConnect. The Ad Hoc committee will report out at Roundtable XXVI.

The host session was presented by Fabian Schlup of Google and focused on various aspects of Google Calendar including internal and external APIs.

2. Documents since Last Roundtable

2.1. Public Review Documents

CalWS-SOAP SOAP Web Services Protocol for Calendaring

2.2. Updated IETF Drafts and Proposed Standards (published RFCs) related to CalConnect (includes updates to published CalConnect documents)

NOTE The majority of specification work in CalConnect is necessarily focused on work to become internet draft submissions to the IETF and ultimpately be progressed to become RFCs (Proposed Standards), rather than be directly published by CalConnect itself.

- https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-daboo-calendar-availability-03
- https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-daboo-icalendar-extensions-05
- https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-daboo-ical-vcard-parameter-encoding/
- https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-daboo-valarm-extensions-04
- Scheduling Extensions to CalDAV RFC 6638
- http://svn.calendarserver.org/repository/calendarserver/CalendarServer/trunk/doc/Extensions/caldavsharing.txt
- https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-daboo-ical-vcard-parameter-encoding-01
- https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-murchison-webdav-prefer/
- https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-daboo-aggregated-service-discovery/

CalConnect has replaced the internal Interoperability Test Event Report with an internal wiki and etherpads, and the public Interoperability Test Report with a section on the Test Event in the CalConnect *Minutes* newsletter publised after each event.

3. Update on Technical Committee Work and Initiatives

Roundtable session summaries and activities and a report on the Interoperability Test Event are published after each CalConnect event as part of the CalConnect *Minutes* newsletter, to be published shortly. Issues of the newsletter may be found at CalConnect *Minutes*.

4. Future Events

- CalConnect XXVI: January 28 February 1, 2013, Oracle, San Francisco Bay Area, California
- CalConnect XXVII: June 3-7, 2013, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin
- CalConnect XVIII: Autumn, 2013 (late September/early October), TBD

The general format of the CalConnect week is:

- Monday morning through Wednesday noon, CalConnect Interoperability Test Event
- Wednesday noon through Friday afternoon, CalConnect Roundtable (presentations, TC sessions, BOFs, networking, Plenary)

This format has been altered for the two (so far) European CalConnect events to move all TC sessions to the afternoon and offer symposia and BOFs during Thursday and Friday mornings.