

Meeting OW2 Board meeting – Minutes - Summary

Date 11 July 2011, Telephone meeting
Location

1. Chairman's Welcome Remarks

2. Introduction of New Directors

- No new board members.
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3. Quorum

With 9 Strategic Members, 9 Corporate Members representatives and 1 Individual Member representative for a total of 19 Board members, 10 members constitutes the quorum.

With 13 members present or represented at this meeting, the quorum is achieved. Super majority of two thirds of members present or represented is at 9.

Attending (and initials if ever used in the rest of the minutes):

1. BUAA, Hailong Sun (HS)
2. Bull, Jean-Pierre Laisné (JPL)
3. CVIC-SE, Li ShuQiang (LSQ)
4. Engineering, Gabriele Ruffatti (GR)
5. France Telecom, Valère Robin (VR)
6. Fraunhofer FOKUS, represented by CT(if necessary, no Board objection),
7. ISCAS, represented by BUAA)
8. Jaspersoft, Tom Cahill (TC)
9. NUDT, represented by CVIC-SE
10. Petals Link, Pierre-Yves Gibello (PYG)
11. PKU, Minghui Zhou (MZ)
12. Talend, Cédric Carbone (CC)
13. UShareSoft, Alban Richard (AR)

Member of the board without voting right: CEO, Cédric Thomas (CT)

Attending at the invitation of the board: OW2 CTO Alexandre Lefebvre (AL), OW2 Chairman of the Technology Council Guillaume Sauthier (GS), China Coordinator Cherry Bian (CB)

Excused: INRIA,

Absent: CSTC, Xwiki, Neociclo, Scalagent, François Letellier (individual member)

(Minutes by AL)

4. Agenda Review and Approval of Agenda

- The agenda is reviewed and approved
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5. Minutes of the previous meeting

- The minutes of the previous meeting are approved without comments
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6. Financial Update

- CEO presents financial and budget situation at H1-2011.
 - A payment reminder will be sent in July. The payment situation is similar to previous years.
 - Subsidies of collaborative projects and their impact on OW2 were discussed.
 - From the financial point of view, FP7 projects subsidize 100% of the expenses, FUI or ANR projects only subsidize 45% which may raise questions since OW2 is involved in the dissemination work package that often involves external expenses that do not generate direct asset for the OW2 community.
 - OW2 is currently learning how to manage such collaborative projects with
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benefit to OW2 and all its members. Such collaborative projects do in fact bring traffic and enhance both the OW2 code base and community.

- Available and forecasted resources allow for new recruitment
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7. Management Office Update

- New webmaster hired: Olivier Lizounat, will also provide graphic design and video editing.
 - Recruitment situation:
 - Admin assistant: badly needed because of increased admin workload from collaborative projects
 - Collab project manager: job description not ready yet, to be discussed.
 - Ed Daniel contract as a community development coordinator was ended.
 - SQuAT progress was discussed
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8. Collaborative Projects Update

- Results for CloudForce and Magellan are expected in the summer.
 - European Support Action in preparation: objective is to promote the idea of open source for cloud solutions
 - The call will open end of July 2011, and the deadline will be January 2012. The results will not be available before June, and the project could start end 2012, with a 2 year duration.
 - Another project related to OSCi Domain 4 is also in preparation, in the same FP7 Call 8 framework as the support action. (AL to provide a slide for this project).
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9. Events Update

- Review of FISL and future 2011 events.
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10. Other Business

- Question: would it make sense that newly submitted projects can directly go to the Mature status? MO answer: For now, we keep the two processes separate:
 - 1. apply to become a new OW2 project,
 - 2. upgrade to mature project status.
 - The status of results of collaborative projects w.r.t. the OW2 code base needs to be stated clearly (there seems to be some misunderstanding).
 - 1. All the OW2 infrastructure resources are made available to the collaborative projects. This is part of OW2 role in the dissemination sub-project. Technically, OW2 provides a sandbox for collaborative projects, and facilities for hosting the code and making it downloadable.
 - 2. The results of collaborative projects can become OW2 projects (abiding by the OW2 process), and OW2 indeed encourages such results to become OW2 projects as this grows the OW2 code base asset.
 - MO highlights the fact that following the regular process guarantees that such results will be considered as "first grade" collaborative projects.
 - New project submissions:
 - SNMP4Cloud: SNMP MIB for cloud
 - Kalimucho: deployment of mobile applications
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11. Planning and organization of next board of directors meetings

- No consensus was found for the next date.
 - No board will take place in September.
 - October 5, 12 and 20 are proposed dates.
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12. Chairperson's concluding comments

13. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 CET