



Leading Open Source Middleware

Europe Local Chapter Status Report

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Agenda

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 - Growing OW2 Ecosystem
 - Contributing to the code base
 - Creating awareness into OW2
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Context

- ➔ **OW2 organisation in Local Chapters to boost local representation and activities**

- ➔ **Europe Local Chapter (ELC) launch approved by OW2 Board during May 2008 QM, based on proposal v1.0.**

- ➔ **The objective of this presentation to EC, TC & Board is to:**
 - Inform about what has been done so far
 - Explain the plans for the coming months
 - Ask for support on critical issues

Executive Summary

➔ Developing membership

- Starting slowly (6 individual members as of 2008-07)

➔ Growing OW2 Ecosystem

- Started OW2 involvement in NESSI OSS WG
- Started activities with ASPIRE EU research project

➔ Contributing to the code base

- AspireRFID project started
 - first release planned end of Sept (presentation at Sept. 2008 QM TC Meeting)

➔ Creating awareness into OW2

- ELC web pages created
- Calls to OW2 community for contribution:
 - To ELC activities at large
 - To ELC activities in NESSI OSS WG

WP1:

Management, strategy and roadmap

- ➔ **Regular conf calls to manage activities**
- ➔ **Little incentive for contributors to join**
 - Will activities be enough to create the momentum required to sustain & develop the ELC?
- ➔ **Constrained to opportunistic approach due to lack of resources**
- ➔ **Proposal for role and relationships clarification with EC/TC/MO**

WP2: Linking with communities and organizations

- ➔ **ELC initiated OW2 involvement in NESSI OSS WG**
 - OW2 CEO Cedric Thomas committed OW2 contribution to NESSI OSS WG
- ➔ **ELC established the link between OW2 and EU research project ASPIRE (3 years, 6 M€)**
 - Project AspireRFID started in OW2 forge
 - New members registered to contribute to AspireRFID
- ➔ **System@tic involvement**
 - Rationale under definition and assessment
- ➔ **List of possible partnerships under definition**
- ➔ **More joint activities under negotiation**

WP3: Tools and services

- ➔ **Dedicated ELC web pages in place**
- ➔ **Webinar tool being installed by OW2 IT**
 - to be tested by ELC with ASPIRE in 2008-09
 - After validation, the tool will be made available to the whole OW2 community
- ➔ **Tool to manage student assignments to OW2 Projects**
 - Specifications ongoing
- ➔ **More projects under planning**
 - Fossology collaboration
 - License checking tool under investigation
 - ...

Next steps

➔ Release webinar tool to OW2 community

➔ Build a webinar program:

- Advertise OW2 & OW2 activities to the world
- Share best practices on projects
- Educate on OSS-related topics (IPR management, etc.)

➔ Continue the efforts started on:

- Developing membership
- Growing OW2 Ecosystem
- Contributing to the code base
- Providing tools & services to the OW2 community
- Creating awareness into OW2

Request for support

- ➔ **Board: discuss operating model that creates incentive for contribution to ELC (Budget rules?)**
- ➔ **???**

Thank you!

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