Meeting	**OW2 Board meeting – Minutes - Summary**
Date **Location**	20 January, Telephone meeting

1. Chairman's Welcome Remarks

N/A in absence of Jean-Pierre Laisné

2. Introduction of New Directors
- None today.

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 7 members present or represented at this meeting, the quorum is not achieved. Super majority of two thirds of members present or represented is at 5.

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

1. Engineering, Gabriele Ruffatti (GR)
2. France Télécom, Valère Robin (VR)
3. Fraunhofer FOKUS, Yuri Glickman (YG)
4. Jaspersoft, Brian Drexler (BD)
5. Talend, Cedric Carbone (CC)
6. UShareSoft, Alban Richard (AR
7. Individual members, François Letellier (FL))

Member of the board without voting right: OW2 CEO, Cédric Thomas (CT)
Attending at the invitation of the board: OW2 CTO Alexandre Lefebvre (AL), Cherry Bian (CB)
Excused: Inria, PetalsLink, Bull, CVIC-SE, NUDT
Absent: BUAA, ISCAS, PKU, ScalAgent, Neociclo, O-Engine, CSTC, Ingres, Xwiki

(Minutes by AL)

4. Agenda Review and Approval of Agenda
- The agenda is reviewed.
- A request for a new topic is added in item 9 "Other business": individual member representativeness.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting
- The minutes of the previous meeting are approved without comments

6. 2011-2012 Financials
- The statement of operations and balance sheet were reviewed.
- Review of the detail of payment default, including some 2010 payments included in the provision.
- Discussion about the importance on public subsidies, which may create a risk (see the example of NESSI), and said we should be conscious about it. NESSI depended entirely on subsidies, whereas OW2 has started its first three years without any public subsidies, and the decision to open up to public subsidies has been discussed and evaluated thoroughly. However, CEO agreed and noted that we are reaching our limit in engaging into collaborative projects. Our future priorities will be on extending our membership, and not collaborative projects.
- In revenue, Sponsorship refers to sponsorship for events (OW2Con, China

Open Source Week).

- Reminder that member payments are unpredictable, which leads to caution in budget and cash management.
- The three newly submitted projects (OCEAN, RISCOSS and openFOG) are not accounted for in the budgeted revenue. At this point they are only submitted, not accepted.
- Answering a question about in-kind contributions, CEO listed MO CTO on France Telecom budget, our sysadmin, on Bull's budget, and CLC coordinator, on CVIC-SE budget, the location of OW2Con at Orange Labs in 2011 provided by France Telecom, the COSW T-Shirts by ForeverOSS and the venues for COSW by BeiHang University and Nanjing University.
- Q: In 2012, there's a 50% increase in subsidies, there should be a corresponding increase in salaries to deliver the contribution to the different projects. A: Two people were recruited in 2011 and will work full year in 2012. OW2 plan to recruit an experience collaborative project manager for the Management Office, accounted for 50% time in the 2012 budget, and the position could be extended to full time depending on the acceptation of the newly submitted projects. This new headcount is included in the 2012 previsions. See http://www.ow2.org/view/About/Management_Office and http://www.ow2.org/xwiki/bin/download/About/Management_Office/OW2Collab ProjectMgr1.pdf. OW2 Board members are invited to circulate the job profile.
- Suggestion that this person could also help OW2 member in screening the collaborative projects calls in Europe (FP8) or member states (ANR).
- 2012 budget seems secured, it can be a proactive year of production and development of membership.

7. Events Update

- CEBIT (March): check whether OW2 could get a booth space through Fraunhofer FOKUS, as discussed previously.
- Cloud Computing World Expo in March in Paris, where we will hold our general assembly.
- We have no recent news about DevoXX France.
- OW2 is ready to organize a Germany Roadshow this spring, following the successful Berlin day in 2011 organized with Fraunhofer FOKUS.
- We had good contacts at Cloud Expo East in 2011. We could renew the experience.
- We would like to organize a Bay Area OW2 Meetup in July, just before OSCON, with a better preparation in 2012.
- Update to the slide:
  ◦ We are targeting Cloud Expo West Nov 5-8 in Santa Clara. As it will be toward the end of the project, it will be a good opportunity to prepare a significant CompatibleOne announcement.
  ◦ OW2Con could better take place the first week of December, in order to avoid ThanksGiving.
- OW2Con 11 promotion could have been improved to attract more attendees. A more general involvement from the members for the promotion of OW2Con outside our own community would be appreciated. AL to pre-book the site at Orange Labs for 2012. Hence the proposed date is December 5-6, in order to allow for Santa Clara Cloud Expo, and avoid ThanksGiving.

8. Collaborative Projects Update

- CHOReOS: The draft charter of the Future Internet initiative (related to the CHOReOS project) will be delivered by CT ASAP.
- OCEAN: Two plugfests are planned within the scope of OCEAN, to help coordinate collaborative projects on open cloud computing. Lead: Fraunhofer FOKUS.
- RISCOSS: The objective of RISCOSS is to provide a framework for managing

risk in open source projects, and is very much in line with SQuAT. This project could be used to provide SQuAT with an overall framework. Lead: Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya. BarcelonaTech (UPC).
- OpenFOG aims at a geolocation PaaS platform. Lead: Intecs S.p.A.

9. Other Business
- Individual member representativeness in the future: question about the position of OW2 is on this topic for the future.
- IM rep apologized for his past lack of availability in the recent past, due to his change of professional situation.
  - He expressed the difficulty to be present at board meetings when being a full-time employee. Example: board meeting that last 3 hours scheduled during working hours. Options could be to have discussions online, to schedule shorter meetings, maybe to change schedules. choosing other times of the day for phone meetings.
  - Said that the level of involvement depends on the level of return, he can see clearly the return for companies or universities but not for individuals. He felt that there are few opportunities to participate at events.
  - He suggests to think of a community manager responsible to motivate people in other countries (like it is done in China today), identify representatives in the country, organizing local events with the support of OW2. Idea of community meetings in Lyon, Paris, Rome, other cities, with a minimal level of expense supported by OW2, showing that OW2 is backing such community meetings ("OW2 pays for the beer"). Another idea is to introduce an individual member track at OW2con, maybe not for formal technical presentations but for testimonials.
- Question whether the involvement of individual members is perceived as a priority / important topic for 2012 at board level. Agreement that we need to address the IM participation issue.
- Many IM are actually employees of Corporate Members. In some cases, they are "true" IM, and in some cases on behalf of their Corporate Member employee. He also said that the current process, which does not enforce becoming a member if employee of a corporate member, has had a significant impact on the number of "real" individual members.
  - Suggestion to clean the IM mailing list, removing well-known people who should not be on the individual members mailing lists, for example by removing project leaders, TC members and board members who obviously work for SMs and CMs
  - Suggestion that only "true" individual members should have the right to vote. However, there is a wider community of people around. There should be a distinction between the list maintained for the election process and a larger list for the community discussion and live (that may include employee, project leader and/or board members).
  - Recommendation, that the next IM representative should commit, as a gentleman agreement, to act in favour of IM, with the expressed support of the Board and Management Office.
- CT/AL to launch asap a survey, and use our active individual members with this survey, with the aim to have feedback for the General Assembly. This discussion will continue with the Board mailing list in cc.

10. Planning and organization of next board of directors meetings
- The February newsletter will announce the launch and key dates of the elections.
- Detailed dates:
  - Opening of candidates registrations on February 6
  - Campaign February 16 – March 4
  - On line vote week of March 5

- ◦ Announcement of results on March 14
- ◦ Following, Board Chair election
- ◦ Registration March 15-18
- ◦ Campaign March 19-25
- ◦ Vote March 26-28
- Next board meeting will be help physically on March 28
- The financial report will be made available prior to the General Assembly, for transparency to members.

11. Chairperson's concluding comments

Appreciation to CEO for preparing a detailed financial report so early in the year.

12. Adjournment
- Meeting was adjourned at 11:42 am