

Meeting OW2 Board meeting – Minutes - Summary

Date 17 January, 2013, Telephone meeting
Location

1. Chairman's Welcome Remarks

SC apologise on behalf of President Jing who is not available for this meeting.

2. Introduction of New Directors

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3. Quorum

With 8 Strategic Members, 8 Corporate Members representatives and 1 Individual Member representative for a total of 17 Board members, 9 members constitutes the quorum.

With 12 members present or represented at this meeting, the quorum is achieved. Super majority of two thirds of members present or represented is at 8.

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

1. CVIC SE, Steve Chen (SC)
2. France Telecom, Valère Robin (VR)
3. Inria, Patrick Moreau (PM)
4. ScalAgent DT, Serge Lacourte (SL)
5. ISCAS, Wei Wang (WW)
6. PKU, Minghui Zhou (MZ)
7. Université Joseph Fourier, Noël De Palma (NDP)
8. SugarCRM, John Mertic (JM)
9. Cassidian, Arnaud Saval (AS)
10. Talend, Cedric Carbone (CC)
11. Fraunhofer Fokus, Yuri Glickman (YG)
12. Engineering, Stefano Scamuzzo (SS)

Member of the board without voting right: OW2 CEO, Cédric Thomas (CT)

Attending at the invitation of the board: OW2 CTO Alexandre Lefebvre (AL), George Lu (GL)

Excused: Eric Le Goff (individual members), Jean-Pierre Laisné (Bull)

Absent: UShareSoft, BUAA, NUDT

(these notes by AL)

4. Agenda Review and Approval of Agenda

- The agenda is reviewed and approved.
 - Proposition to add discussion about the French *Etats Généraux of Open Source* in the Events section.
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5. Minutes of the previous meeting

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved without comments.
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6. 2012-2013 financials

- Explanation of the subtle differences between budgeting and accounting. In particular, a 15% risk margin is allowed for the collaborative project income, in case some of the subsidies cannot be obtained.
 - 2013 will be a year heavily influenced by collaborative projects either targeting cloud computing (CHOReOS, OpenCloudware, XLcloud and Ocean) or software engineering (Riscoss which can be seen as a continuation and enhancement of the OW2 SQuAT programme).
 - Question about the 2013 Riscoss deliverable. These are the dissemination plan (which will probably include Fosdem, RMLL), and OW2 use cases for
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Riscoss: Riscoss will define a verification methodology complementary to OW2 SQuAT; this methodology will be implemented in a tool provided by XWiki; OW2's role is to support three OW2 volunteer projects that will test the methodology.

- Revenue will reach a peak in 2013 and is expected to go down in 2014, for which we must be prepared, if there is no new collaborative project.
- We have been working on a Big Data project proposal, which has been postponed to the April submission. This could lead to a new collaborative project with additional revenue in 2014.
- Salaries: we have budgeted as from April an increase of part time jobs such as Community Coordinator and Marketing Coordinator positions from 60% and 40% to 80% and we are budgeting a Sysadmin recruitment. No individual salary increase has been budgeted beyond adjustment for inflation.
- Question whether the current accounts are certified. Answer: the figures presented today are close to final but still need some adjustment.
- Regarding budgeting, 2014 could lead to a negative result. However, this is the pessimistic view which does not take into account some of the cash advance. And a new strategic member would clear the risk.

7. OW2 2013 event plan

- We had planned to support XLcloud and OpenCloudware coming to the April OpenStack summit and conference. However, since there are discussions that OpenStack summit can happen in Paris in October we should concentrate on this event instead; we have sent a letter of support to OpenStack should the summit be organized in Paris, including a sponsorship package. We are aware of a similar letter by Bull, as well as others. So, our presence might be shifted from April to October which would suite the XLcloud and OpenCloudware projects better.
- CeBIT: OW2 will take a booth at CeBIT on behalf of the CHOReOS project. This is also to enhance OW2 visibility in Germany. We will interact with Fraunhofer FOKUS who has a large CeBIT presence and experience, in order to make the most of CeBIT.
- An additional event not yet listed could be an HPC conference in line with the XLcloud project. To be confirmed.
- French Etats Généraux de l'Open Source: workshop supported by Ministry for Digital Economy, and Syntec (French association of IT companies). The event is also pushed by Linagora (OW2 member). The goal of the workshop is to discuss open source as business model and industry catalyst for software and software engineering. OW2 is invited to speak in one of the plenary sessions in the afternoon. Some room for lobbying, CEO to invite public authorities to perform an inventory of open source middleware/infrastructure projects they have.

8. Collaborative projects update

- CompatibleOne final review of CompatibleOne is 17 January. CompatibleOne is now also an OW2 codebase project. CompatibleOne is considering a continuation plan, which includes business activities with some of the OW2 members (including Bull and Prologue). Technical links between CompatibleOne and OpenCloudware are also on-going.

9. Other business

- Due to the increasingly limited availability of our current SysAdmin, currently benevolently provided by Bull, OW2 must plan to hire its own SysAdmin. This is required in order to be able to improve our infrastructure. Recruitment is planned as from April. Board members are welcome to give guidance and recommendations.

10. Planning of next Board of Directors meetings

- Election schedule is shifted by one week in order to accommodate with various holidays.
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- The April 18 meeting should validate the election results, and proceed to the election of the President.
 - The OW2 strategy slides will be confirmed/amended/revisited at the April Board meeting, with the new Board members.
 - Technically, for board meetings, we could plan to have only the Gotomeeting bridge and the China bridge for next time.
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11. Motions

- No motions for this Board meeting.
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12. Chairperson's concluding comments

- CVIC-SE thanked CEO for this meeting, and transmitted President Jing best wishes for the new year to all, and assures continued CVIC-SE support for a great OW2 exposure in 2013 in China.
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13. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 11:08 am