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Mission and Goals





"Promote and facilitate the development and use of interoperable, real-time, Multimedia Telecommunication products and services, based on open international standards."



IMTC's goals are:

- 1. Identify obstacles to growth and success of the industry, implement or recommend solutions.
- 2. Promote and facilitate interoperability testing of real-time, Multimedia Telecommunication products and services.
- 3. Develop and advocate requirements to standards-making organizations.



Goals – Cont'd

- 4. Advocate common industry interests through education and promotion
- Unbiased source of information to end users, press, industry analysts, legislators, and regulators.
- 6. Provide opportunities for industry to meet and exchange ideas providing a guide for future direction of the organization.



What is not our goal?

- IMTC is primarily <u>not</u> a standard / specification creating organization (IETF, ITU, ISO/IEC, W3C etc... can do better)
- So we do not want to compete with them
- IMTC specifies only as "last resort" (e.g. Standard Profiles – Voip IA V.1...)
- We prefer <u>formulate</u> Standards <u>requirements (incl.</u> <u>of IPR stategy</u>), or to <u>feed-back implementation</u> <u>experiences</u> gained through interoperability testing.
- IMTC wants to push the multimedia communication technology in a "protocol-neutral" way



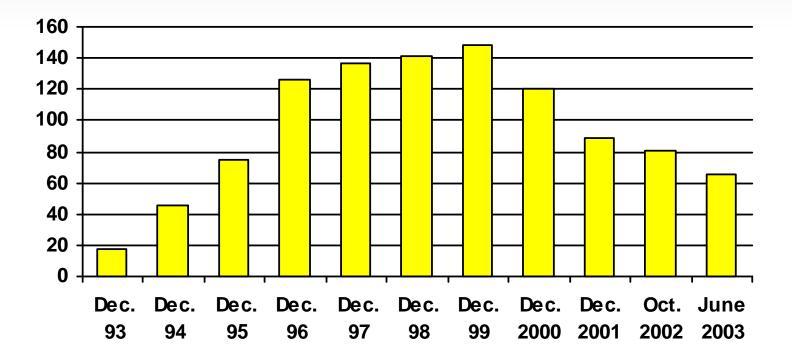


Membership and Management



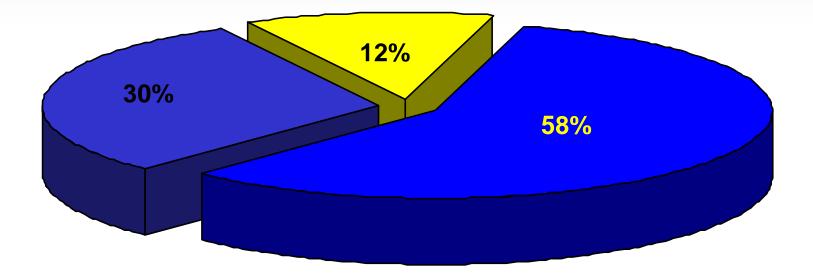
IMTC Members

65 Members Worldwide Today





IMTC Members by Region



IMTC Member Distribution

North/South America	EMEA	Asia/Pacific





- Raj Bansal, *Nokia*
- Robert Berntsen, *Tandberg*
- Matt Collier, *Telverse*
- Steve Welch, *Ridgeway*
- Walter Sebastian, *Sony*
- Marwan Jabri, *Dilithium Networks*

- Anne Cerboni, *France Telecom*
- Keith Lantz, *Cisco*
- Mark Ludwig, *Polycom*
- Yoni Malachi, *RADVISION*
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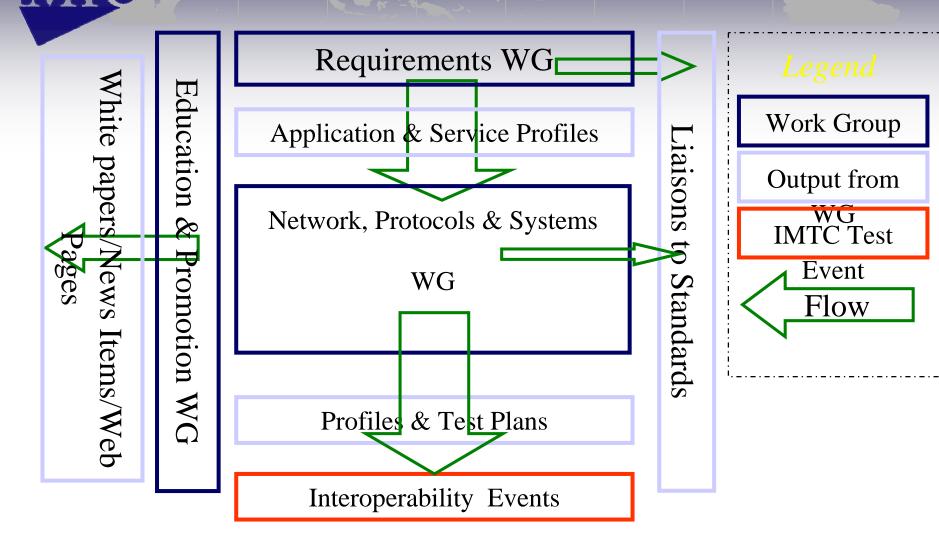




Working Structure



Work Group Structure





IMTC's Current WG and AG Structure

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Requirements WG

IPR AG Media Processing AG

Network, Protocols & Systems WGIP Conferencing InteroperabilityH.324 M3GPP-PSSQoS & PerformanceIP SecurityMobilityH.320

Data Collaboration

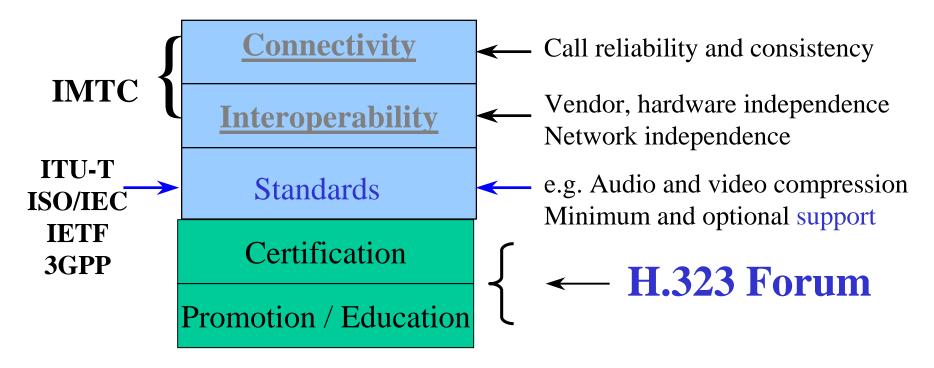
Education & Promotion WG

IPv6

Marketing AG



IMTC and H.323 Forum Promote "Usability"



More at <u>http://www.IMTC.org</u> and www.h323forum.org

Why the "separation"?

- IMTC is "protocol-neutral"
- H.323 Forum must be "protocol-biased"
- There are other "protocol-biased" fora elsewhere...
- H.323 Forum must be a focused program, complementary and crosscutting to IMTC WG/Ags
- Different classes of memberships



IMTC 2003 strategic goals

- <u>Continue</u> to Stabilize IMTC during the slow economy period
- <u>Widen</u> scope of new projects e.g. H.323 Forum implements certification, next rounds of PSS, H.324M testing, Significant built up of "Historic Archive" for solving standards related IPR issues
- <u>Continue</u> successful Interops/SuperOP!
- <u>Continue</u> successful WG/AGs
- Termination of finished/inactive AGs
- <u>Continued</u> strong liaison with other bodies (SDOs / Fora)
- <u>Continued</u> marketing / promotion / education of MM communication technologies
- Allow room for any new initiative...



IMTC 2003

Some recent Key Activities/Events:

- Second Joint IMTC/Wainhouse Research Forum Geneva
- Successful promotional conferences of the H.323 Forum
- Successful interop testing in 3G area (PSS, H.324M)
- Successful interop H.3xx testing in January, June 2003
- Launching of H.323 Certification Program by the H.323 Forum
- Set up "Historical Archive" for Standards based technologies to support members having standards related IPR issues by the IPR AG
- Setting up with ISMA/M4IF ITU-T H.264 Licensing Meeting to facilitate the start of the ITU-T H.264 licensing (IPR AG)





About the ITU-T/IMTC relations



ITU-T/IMTC Relation

- Good
- Official Relation long, since 1995
- IMTC is an "ITU-T recognized" Forum according to ITU-T Rec. A.4
- Personally: Neil Starkey (CTO IBM/Lotus) – first President of IMTC – long-time ITU-T SG8 Rapporteur on T.120 Istvan Sebestyen (Siemens) – 3rd President of IMTC – very long-time ITU-T SG8/16 Rapporteur on T.8x and MM Coordination



What IMTC did for the ITU-T?

- Promotion, Education of ITU-T Standards: ITU-T T.120 (Data Conferencing) ITU-T H.3xx (Multimedia Platforms) (e.g. in IMTC Fora, IMTC University, H.323 Forum, etc..)
- Interoperability Testing / H.323 certification ITU-T T.120
 ITU-T H.320/324/323
 ITU-T H.450; ITU-T H.235 etc....



Conclusion

- ITMC is complementing ITU-T Standardization Activities, rather than competing with it.
- IMTC sees itself as a "protocol- and standards body neutral" organization; IMTC wants to be the <u>umbrella organization</u> for all multimedia real-time communication standard interoperability / promotion / requirements formulation
- IMTC is not an "ITU-T-only pusher organization"
- This includes also other standard bodies, such as IETF, ETSI, 3GPP....





Thanks!

