

2019 SC 24 Plenary – Technical Presentations Session

Ideas on the Future Direction of SC 24

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Agenda

- **The Reason for this Presentation**
- **The SC 24 response to JTC 1 System Integration**
- **SC 24 related requirements from other Standards Bodies**
- **How can SC 24 address these requirements?**
- **How can this offer be improved?**
- **A suggested Future Direction for SC 24**

The Reason for this Presentation

- **JTC 1 Policy for System Integration**
 - JTC 1 Standing Document 24 (SD 24) on System Integration Standardization Guidelines was published in 2017 and reported to the SC 24 2017 Plenary in Arlington by the SC 24 Chair
 - The document requests a change from a “Stovepipe” view of standards to a “Matrix” view
- **Where will SC 24 Standards be in 10 years time?**
 - This question was asked at the 2018 Plenary by Farid Mamaghani
 - Will we have any regrets over the path taken or the opportunities missed?
- **Resolution 30 of the 2018 SC 24 Plenary**
 - Resolution 30 called for the development of a Roadmap for Future Planning of SC 24
- **The reason for this presentation is to continue the development of the Roadmap and to address these issues**

The SC 24 response to JTC 1 System integration

• Positive

- **Study Group for System Integration Visualization established**

- Established in 2017, the SG is focusing on:

- Smart City representation and visualization
- VR-based training and education systems
- Health information systems

- The establishment of this SG is a step in the right direction

- **Do SC 24 Standards still have a “Stovepipe” appearance?**

- An interface exists between WG 6 (X3D) and WG 9 (MAR)

- The technical relationships between other SC 24 standards, however, could be improved

- Greater synergy is required between SC 24 standards

SC 24 related Requirements from other Standards Bodies

- **Requirement for Visualization of STEP (ISO 10303) data**
 - TC 184/SC 4/JWG 16 (joint working group with SC 24) was established to assess preferred standards for visualization
- **Requirement for Visualization of Smart City data**
 - The standards being developed by JTC 1/WG 11 Smart Cities will require supporting visualization standards
- **Requirements for Detailed Environmental Data Definition**
 - JTC 1/WG 11 standards will also need support to represent and exchange Smart City environmental data
 - RIEDP (Reuse and Interoperation of Environmental Data and Processes), a SISO project, requires environmental data representation
- **Other Requirements identified by SG SIV**
- **Updates on all these requirements have been given during this Presentation Session**

How can SC 24 address these requirements?

- **Requirements for Visualization**

- X3D provides a modeling and visualization capability
- H-Anim provides simulation of human animation
- The MAR set of standards provide the capability for mixed and augmented reality visualization

- **Requirements for Representation of Environmental Data**

- The SEDRIS DRM provides a comprehensive, unambiguous and interchangeable method for specifying environmental data
- EDCS provides a dictionary for defining the characteristics and identifiers of environmental objects
- SRM provides an unambiguous definition of position and orientation

How can this be improved?

- **General Approach:**

- Focus the development of new and emerging standards on actual use cases that address user needs and practices
- Develop Technical Specifications that provide how-to guidance for using the standards in combination
- Develop a roadmap for use of the standards in web applications
- Promote content (data and data repositories) based on the standards

- **Technical Approach**

- Develop an interconnected system of utilities and applications that allow the SC 24 standards to be used in combination to meet new and emerging requirements

An Interconnected System of SC 24 Standards

- **Leverage the combined value of SC 24 standards**
 - Develop an interconnected system of utilities and applications that allow SC 24 standards to be used in combination
 - currently referred to in the IT domain as an Ecosystem
 - Basic definition of an Ecosystem:
 - “A biological community of interacting organisms and their physical environments”
 - For standards, we need “A community of interacting standards while still providing the function for which they were originally developed”.
- **Examples of Possible Future Developments**
 - Develop an interface between X3D and the SEDRIS DRM
 - Develop a C++ binding for the SEDRIS DRM
 - Incorporate use of PNG and BIIF in all applicable SC 24 standards and applications

Suggested Future Direction of SC 24

- **The Goal for future development should be to use existing Standards in combination**
 - **New Work Item Proposals should take the possible combined value of SC 24 standards into account**
- **Promote a Culture of thinking of SC 24 as a whole, rather than individual Working Groups**
- **These suggestions are offered to encourage SC 24 members to propose other ideas for the way forward**

The purpose of this presentation has been to continue the development of the SC 24 Roadmap

The ideas that have been put forward are just that: Ideas. We do not yet have an agreed policy

It is important that we do have an agreed policy for the Roadmap and Future Direction of SC 24

Please make your ideas known to help point us in the right direction

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