

PWG Quarterly Oct 2006 WIMS CIM Update Project Status

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WIMS CIM Update Project

- Alliance partnership between PWG and DMTF (Distributed Management Task Force), dmtf.org
- DMTF is a large industry consortium
 - Many CIM and CIM-related standards
 - Also recently SMASH, WS-Management
 - Numerous working groups with specific areas of concentration
 - Server, Desktop & Mobile, Core Schema, Architecture, Interoperability & Protocols, etc.
 - Mainly conference calls, regular face-to-face meetings
 - Very sophisticated web sites

Goals

- Bring the CIM model of printing up to date with PWG models
 - CIM schema includes classes for Printer, PrintService, PrintJob, PrintQueue
 - Current classes missing many interesting attributes
 - CIM_Printer class has approx 30 properties; by comparison PrinterMIB has approx 140 properties
 - Current classes not clearly defined
 - CIM_Printer contains some aspects of PrintService
- Ensure that every property in CIM printing-related classes is implementable interoperably

Participants

- Active participants
 - Dell: Rick Landau
 - High North: Ira McDonald
 - IBM: Harry Lewis
 - Sharp: Craig Whittle
 - Bill Wagner (WIMS)

Methods

- Submit Change Requests (CRs) to change CIM classes, define new classes
 - Phases: cosmetic changes, corrections, major restructuring
- Decide on changes, draft CRs, submit CRs to appropriate CIM Working Group
 - Usually the Core Schema Working Group
- Have to develop model of class inheritance and relationships

Current State

- Doing major surgery on CIM_Printer (the print device)
 - Will add 10-12 classes, most analogous to prtXxx tables
 - Total approx 100 new properties from PrinterMIB and Semantic Model

Documents

- FTP area in ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/wims/wd and .../wims/cim
 - Previous CRs
 - Current property lists, proposed class structure

Questions?