

ICG meeting Minutes

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2 Monday, 13th of March 2006

2.1 Welcome and opening remarks by the ICG Convener

M. Conroy welcomed everyone to the eighth plenary meeting of the ICG. He indicated there were three main points to be covered during the course of this meeting: The preparation for version 1 of the UN/CEFACT Registry, the UNCL migration, and the finalization of Recommendations 20, 21 and 23.

2.2 Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved without change to its published revision 2. M. Conroy reminded everyone that on Wednesday morning there would be an interesting presentation of Regrep experiences in Canada

It was agreed to seek joint meetings with ATG for Recommendation 20 and the UNCL migration, TBG17 on the CCL audit and TMG on the BCSS progress and CCTS evolution.

2.3 Approval of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were approved after minor editorial changes.

2.4 Report from the D.05B UN/EDIFACT directory audit

M. Conroy reported that the production of the D.05B directory had been completed. He presented the statistics on the errors found and indicated that the majority of the errors were due to having forgotten to remove elements from the directory that were programmed to be removed after a three year period of marked for deletion.

2.5 Report from the CCL 1.0 audit

M. Conroy reported that the first audit of the core component library had been completed. He provided the statistics on the errors found and also presented the recommendations that the audit team had provided. He felt that these should be discussed with TBG17 in order to clarify any issues. It was agreed to try and find a timeslot for this meeting.

2.6 Review of the ICG Website

D. Dobbing introduced the subject by asking if anyone had any queries about the website. Everyone was satisfied with its current contents. He then went on to indicate that there were 4 names on the membership list with email addresses that no longer appeared to be active. S. Lim indicated that he was no longer receiving mail from the ICG list server. D. Dobbing will look into the issue and resolve any identified membership differences.

2.7 Review of Work program

M. Conroy indicated that this review should concentrate on the evolution of the UN/CEFACT Registry development. The work program was reviewed and updated.

2.8 Registry versioning

A long discussion took place on versioning within the UN/CEFACT Registry, the outcome of which will have a significant impact on the life-cycle of all the artifacts will be handled by it. Several examples were worked through (see meeting presentation for details).

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The basic conclusions that arose from this debate are that it will be necessary to create a “publication” package for a given set of related artifacts by taking a snapshot of all “current” status artifacts and assigning a version number the results. This “publication” version number shall be the only version number that is known to the outside world. This will enable the user community to easily relate to such sets of artifacts and facilitate ready identification and communication about the artifacts in question. This can be paralleled to the EDIFACT directory release identification (e.g. D.06A).

The UN/CEFACT Registry specification will be adjusted accordingly.

The Meeting broke up at 18:00.

3 Tuesday, 14th of March 2006

3.1 Work to be completed before this meeting

1	XMI profile development	M. Conroy, E. Buchinski, S. Lim	XMI profile initialized. Leadership handed over to the TMG BCSS project group (see joint resolution). Follow up to be continued	Ongoing
3	UNCL migration	D. Dobbing	Identification, versioning and schema issues to be resolved. Develop draft project plan	On agenda
4	UN/CEFACT Registry	F Berthomieu, F. Bourge, Y. Yeh, I. Bedini, S. Lim, D. Dobbing, M. Conroy, E. Buchinski	Interim meeting November 2005 First Version to be published January 2006	On agenda
5	EDIFACT D.05B directory audit (28 th of November to 3 rd of December 2005)	M. Conroy A. Dechamps	Release for December 2005	Completed
6	Recommendation 20, 21 and 23 publication	D. Dobbing	After the review period, January 2006	On agenda
7	Task group to review Recommendation 23	D. Dobbing	Proposals for March 2006 Forum meeting	On agenda
8	Recommendation 20, 21 and 23 revisions	D. Dobbing	To be forwarded to UN/Secretariat for noting at	On agenda

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			the next UNCEFACT Plenary, June 2006	
9.	Release V0.8 of Registry specification	F. Bourge, I. Bedini	5 October 2005	Completed
10	Interim meeting Paris, France	France Telecom	5/9 December 2005	Completed
11	Release of V1.0 of Registry specification for prototyping	F. Bourge, I. Bedini	January 2006	On agenda
12	Request that the UN Secretariat create the UN namespace definitions as previously requested by ATG2. Indicate that the preparatory work could be carried out by the Forum.	M. Conroy	To be established for January 2006	ongoing
13	Submit contributions on the versioning requirement for the UN/CEFACT Registry	ALL	Prior to the December face to face meeting	On agenda

3.2 Review of UN/CEFACT Registry specification

The day was spent reviewing the comments received concerning the Registry. The review was incomplete and will be continued Wednesday. The disposition of comments recorded all the conclusions of the day.

3.3 Joint meeting with ATG/TMG concerning Recommendation code list use

M. Conroy welcomed J. Fromyr and G. Stuhec and introduced the reason for the meeting to the group. D. Dobbing then went on to present the problems that had been identified. In essence he expressed concern about the creation of several instances of UN/CEFACT recommendation 20 code lists in XML; These are currently identified as being the UN/CEFACT schema issued with the NDR, the “UN/CEFACT” schema issued with version 2.0 of UBL, the UNeDocs enumerations of the codelist and the “official” publication of REC 20 that is approved by the plenary.

He went on to explain that the three published schemas were currently not in line with the official document and he wondered where the base information came from. G. Stuhec explained that a excel version of Rec.20 was used for the generation and that perhaps it was not the current version.

M. Conroy explained that it was necessary to differentiate the schema that was used for Schema validation purposes which essentially only needed the list of valid codes and the schema that contained the detailed code list. This differentiation was agreed. The problem then would be to define the mechanism which would take the official code list and extract the code list schema for validation purposes. It was agreed that this inter-linkage would be discussed within the context of the UNCL migration.

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D. Dobbing went on to explain the errors that were in the NDR schema, J. Fromyr requested that the ICG provide him with the revised Rec.20 at the end of the week so that the NDR code list could be corrected and a corrigendum issued.

The Meeting broke up at 18:00.

4 Wednesday, 15th of March 2006

4.1 Review of UN Recommendation change requests – Recommendation 20

D. Dobbing reported that the ODP process resulted in no comments. However three new change requests had been received. These requests were reviewed, approved and added to Rec.20. The Rec.20 code list was formerly approved by the ICG. D. Dobbing to forward copy to the UN Secretariat for official publication.

4.2 Review of UN Recommendation change requests -Recommendation 21

D. Dobbing reported that the ODP process resulted in no comments. The Rec.21 code list was formerly approved by the ICG. D. Dobbing to forward copy to the UN Secretariat for official publication.

4.3 Review of UN Recommendation change requests – Recommendation 23

D. Dobbing reported that the ODP process resulted in no comments. However one new change requests had been received. This request was reviewed, approved and added to Rec.23. The Rec.23 code list was formerly approved by the ICG. D. Dobbing to forward copy to the UN Secretariat for official publication.

4.4 Registry experiences presentation by the Government of Ontario

E. Buchinski gave a very informative presentation on what the Government of Ontario was doing with a registry/repository. His presentation raised a number of open issues that would need to be addressed in the UN/CEFACT Registry. See presentation slides.

4.5 Registry federation presentation by Y. Yeh

Y. Yeh reported on the progress of the federation work undertaken by SC32 to carry out the proof of concept of registry federation. His presentation also raised a number of interesting issues, which although not within the current scope of the initial UN/CEFACT Registry specification, would need to be taken into consideration in extending the specification to cover federation (for example, the structure of the UID).

4.6 Registry review of comments

The review of registry specification comments continued. See disposition of comments for details.

The meeting broke up at 18h00.

5 Thursday, 16th of March 2006

5.1 Review of RSM queries with ATG

D. Dobbing reviewed a list of ATG queries with members of ATG2 concerning further requirements that related to the generation of schemas. Each of the points raised were discussed in some detail and the position of the ICG articulated. M. Conroy joined. Final conclusion was that all issues had been closed.

5.2 Registry review of comments

The review of registry specification comments continued. See disposition of comments for details.

5.3 E-CERT.

The E-Cert project team joined the group after requesting that the ICG provide some guidance on the development of the RSM that was nearing completion. A fruitful discussion occurred following their presentation and several points for improvement were highlighted. The discussion raised the need to provide a worked example within the RSM boilerplate in order to facilitate the understanding. This was noted for addressing by the ICG.

5.4 Review of the UNCL migration plan.

M. Conroy and D. Dobbing met ATG to discuss progression of the UNCL migration. The use of the UNTDED as the base for managing the assignment of the numeric data element tag as a universal identifier for individual code lists was discussed. Agreement was reached that this was a viable approach and could be adopted by both XML and EDIFACT for identifying UN/CEFACT maintained code lists. M. Conroy introduced a draft schema design for the publication instance covering all UN Recommendations related to codes. M. Crawford agreed with the approach that validation instances could then be derived, via restriction, from the “master” publication instance. It was agreed that the ICG would prepare a paper on the approach for further consideration by both the ATG and the ICG.

6 Friday, 17th of March 2006

6.1 Review of minutes.

The minutes were reviewed and approved for release in draft form.

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6.2 ICG action list update

1	XMI profile development	M. Conroy, E. Buchinski, S. Lim	ongoing
2	UNCL migration	D. Dobbing	Ongoing
3	UN/CEFACT Registry	F Berthomieu, F. Bourge, Y. Yeh, I. Bedini, S. Lim, D. Dobbing, M. Conroy, E. Buchinski	First Version to be published for ODP April 2006
4	EDIFACT D.06B directory audit (1st of May to 5 th of May 2006)	M. Conroy A. Dechamps	Release for June 2006
5	Recommendation 20, 21 and 23 publication	D. Dobbing	Submission for publication April 2006 and resolution of Rec 23 coding.
6.	Proof of concept project plan	F. Bourge YM; Yeh, S. Lim E. Buchinski	May 2006
7	worked example for RSM	D. Dobbing	May 2006
8	Request that the UN Secretariat create the UN namespace definitions as previously requested by ATG2. Indicate that the preparatory work could be carried out by the Forum.	M. Conroy	To be established for June 2006

6.3 Closing presentation preparation

The closing Plenary presentation was reviewed and approved.

7 AOB

No other business was noted.

The meeting closed at 10:30.