

**iECM Conference Call
Special Meeting
Meeting Notes
December 2, 2008**

This December 2, 2008 conference call for the iECM was a special meeting convened to discuss the reaction the iECM should propose to the full committee regarding the announcement and availability of the CMIS (Content Management Interoperability Specification).

Those participating in the conference call included:

Thomas Pole, Chair	Harris Corporation
Owen Ambur	
Miryam Azimi	SAIC
John Breeden	VA Dept. Transportation
Laurence Hart	
Sumanth Molakala	
Tim Sprehe	Sprehe Information Management
Betsy Fanning	AIIM

Thomas Pole opened the meeting explaining the purpose for the call which is to determine the reaction to CMIS if any from the committee. Participants shared their thoughts on the specification and its announcement.

It was noted that the content in the specification came directly from the discussions conducted during the previous formation of the committee. The specification's scope was limited to a core of required functionality which will allow it to grow as needed. The strategy is similar to the original iECM work. It was noted that it was great that the major vendors have adopted the specification so quickly. The specification will be a benefit to consultants and integrators who have to work in organizations where multiple systems are installed. The fact that there are implementations existing when the specification was released will help in the understanding and further adoption of the specification. The committee discussed the potential of having iECM help in conducting a multi-vendor demonstration of the specification.

The committee focused the discussions on what iECM should propose to do.

- Identify areas of concern with the implementation of the specification
- Press release from AIIM commending the vendors who were responsible for drafting the specification
- Seek examples of how the specification will work through the use of demonstrations
- Committee members could write articles on the specification for inclusion in Infonomics or other industry magazines
- It was noted that the committee needs to be fair and if a weakness is identified, the weakness should be pointed out to the CMIS committee as an area for improvement
- AIIM represents the community and should produce helpful items that will aid the end users and not necessarily the vendors
- Demonstrate how CMIS fits into the AIIM ECM model

- Develop technical specifications that leverage CMIS
- Demonstrating an open source implementation of CMIS and StratML
- Identify strengths, weaknesses and alternatives
- Best Practice guide on how to use CMIS including considerations such as bandwidth needed when conducting a federated search
- Participating in a Proof of Concept implementation that is outside the realm of the vendors
- Identify implementations that can be referenced

It was noted that there is a Czech open source company that has developed an implementation of CMIS that could replace Sharepoint.

Potential Applications:

- StratML implementation
- Federated and integrated systems

Action Items:

1. Owen Ambur will follow-up with open source vendors on the StratML implementation
2. Maryam Azimi, Laurence Hart, Sumanth Molakala will discuss integration and federated implementations and begin to identify proof of concept implementations that can be referenced
3. Form a small group to investigate proof of concept implementations
4. Develop a best practice after gaining experience with CMIS
5. Betsy Fanning is to work with Education department to see if CMIS can be mapped to the ECM model
6. Betsy Fanning will discuss with AIIM management and the AIIM Standards Board the potential of making a public statement