January 13, 2004 CMM-WG teleconference minutes

1 Early discussion

(1) Note taker assignment: Fred

(2) Roll call

- Fred Maciel
- Hiro Kishimoto
- Andrea Westerinen
- Jem Treadwell
- Latha Srinivasan
- Jim Willits

(3) Approve last teleconference's minutes: approved, with spelling correction from Hiro.

2 Discussion on closing the CMM-WG

- Background explanation from Fred
  - Since October the GFSG has closely monitored and evaluated the activities of WGs and RGs; WGs that have no activity, no clearly defined purpose (e.g., a spec to write), etc. will close.
  - The CMM-WG was evaluated as an "odd" case, since:
    - ♦ Our original spec and many of the participants were transferred to OASIS WSDM
    - ♦ We are doing interim work targeting re-chartering.
  - It is recognized that our activities are necessary to OGSA. These activities by themselves do not characterize a working group, but they have so far needed the framework of a WG to be done. On the other hand, the GFSG is now discussing mechanisms which allow our activities to proceed without a WG framework.
  - Consensus is forming that we can close the CMM-WG while continuing our activities:
    - ♦ The work at WSDM is proceeding very well, and it has become clearer that there is no need for CMM-WG to do WSDM-related activities in GGF. All the activity continues in WSDM, as before.
    - ♦ The current gap analysis work has proceeded almost as a focus group of OGSA-WG. The GFSG has been discussing IETF's concept of "design teams", which would formalize OGSA-WG's focus groups. So, the gap analysis (and similar activities) can continue unchanged, as an OGSA-WG design team.

- ♦ The "unwritten charter" of the CMM-WG is to be a link between the GGF, DMTF, OASIS, etc. The GFSG is considering a liaison system that formalizes this activity.
- Discussion
  - Jem: timeframe for decision on closing the CMM-WG? Fred: around GGF10.
    - ♦ Fred: the plan is to have a consistent (and hopefully complete) gap analysis document to discuss in GGF10 (schedule is tight though). This document is then submitted to the GGF as an informational document.
  - Latha: the CMM-WG is doing investigation "above and beyond" what is in other GGF WGs; who is going to continue that? Fred: the details are still being sorted out, but definitely need to address this.
  - Hiro: don't we re-charter after the gap analysis? Fred: this is possible if, as a result of the gap analysis, we find a clear and well-defined new spec to write, and have enough momentum to move it ahead. It is far from clear that we will have both. Also, creating a new WG (through a BOF) might be a better way to work on a new spec (would gather opinions from a wider audience and also more participants).
  - Jem: Jeff Nick is talking about re-alignment. Plays in these thoughts? Fred: probably, but missed this discussion in the face-to-face, so not sure.
  - Jem: is WSDM doing Grid-specific things or this is up to the GGF? Fred: defining "Grid-specific" is tricky [with WSRF further blurring things], but that's up to the GGF.
  - Hiro: in OGSA-WG quite a few members have expected too much from CMM-WG and that huge parts of management should be done in CMM-WG (which is not true). Fred: discussion of the gap analysis document in the OGSA-WG in two weeks should help dispel this problem.

3 GGF10 planning

- Fred: 1 or 2 sessions in GGF10? Jim: one should be enough; ask for second if needed.

4 Review of the resource management doc

- No comments on sections 1 to 3 (all participants busy because of GlobusWORLD preparations).
- Andrea: would like to see a different classification on section 4.
  - For example: now it's divided in standards and descriptions. See the possibility for MIBs and CIM to address resource description, they can be much broader than what is under "standards". For instance, storage provisioning people have created profiles in SMI-S.

- It's not two categories, but more like overlapping circles.
- Action Item (Fred): re-think and re-write the classification.

- Andrea: on coordination between models, you want to coordinate semantics. Second, you want to limit the number of variations that you want to render that. There won't be one true rendering, and there will be a tradeoff on extendability. Would look to GGF, WSDM, on how to render it in the wire.
  - Action Items:
    - ♦ Andrea: contribute text to section 4.
    - ♦ Fred, David Snelling [not discussed in teleconference]: add contents on Grid-specific projects, especially GRIP.
- Andrea: DMTF is trying to make DMTF senior people participate in GGF groups (CMM, policy, JSDL, etc.). Have it be a two-way street. (Some discussion on current liaison activities and the work register of GGF and DMTF).
- Latha: on section 5, Fs can (and should) be groups outside the GGF too.

5   Next teleconference

- No teleconference in January 20 (most participants in GlobusWorld) or in January 27 (document discussion in OGSA-WG is on the previous day).
- Next teleconference in February 3, at the following times:
  - 15:00-16:30 US Pacific (GMT - 8)
  - 16:00-17:30 US Mountain (GMT - 7)
  - 17:00-18:30 US Central (GMT - 6)
  - 18:00-19:30 US Eastern (GMT - 5)
  - 23:00-00:30 GMT
  - 23:00-00:30 UK (GMT)
  - 00:00-01:30 Central Europe (GMT + 1)
  - 08:00-09:30 Japan (GMT + 9, following day)
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  - toll-free: +1 888 709 8699
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  - contact MCI: 1 800 857 5000
  - confirmation#:   909985
- Agenda to be posted later

6 Action items

(1) Pending
- Fred: clarify who are the CMM-WG / GGF members on the WSDM-TC.
- Fred: put issues of the GGF9 homeworks into trackers on GridForge as reminders (discuss when adequate)
- Fred: think of the schedule for completion of gap analysis until GGF10.
- Fred: add WSDM requirements that apply to the document
- Jem: do a deeper analysis of the critical services

(2) New
- Fred: review classification on section 4.
- Fred, David Snelling: add contents on GRIP, etc. to section 4.
- Andrea: contribute text to section 4.