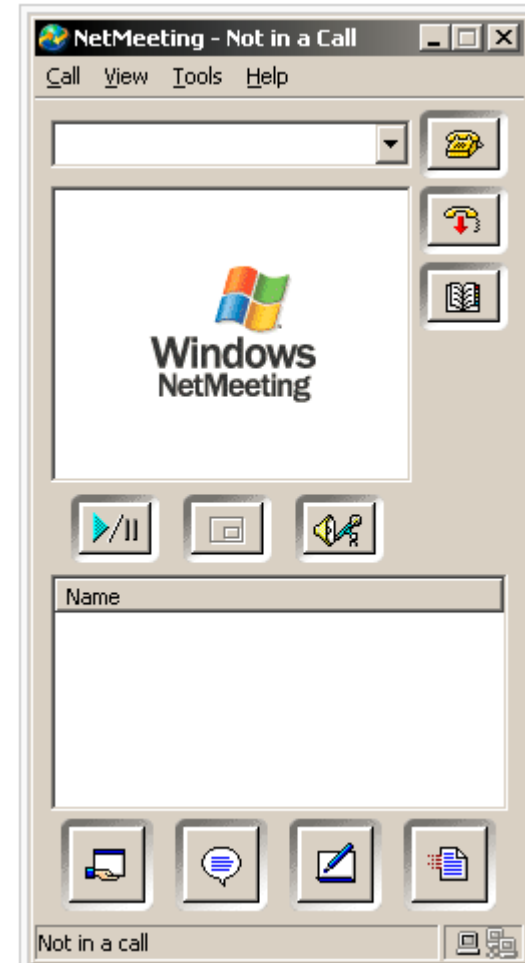# Historical background

- 1988, the appearance of the first IRC (Internet Relay Chat)

- The mid 1990s the advent and spread of IM (Instant Messaging)

- 1997 (1998) Webinar trademark registration by Eric R. Korb, the founder of Webinar.com
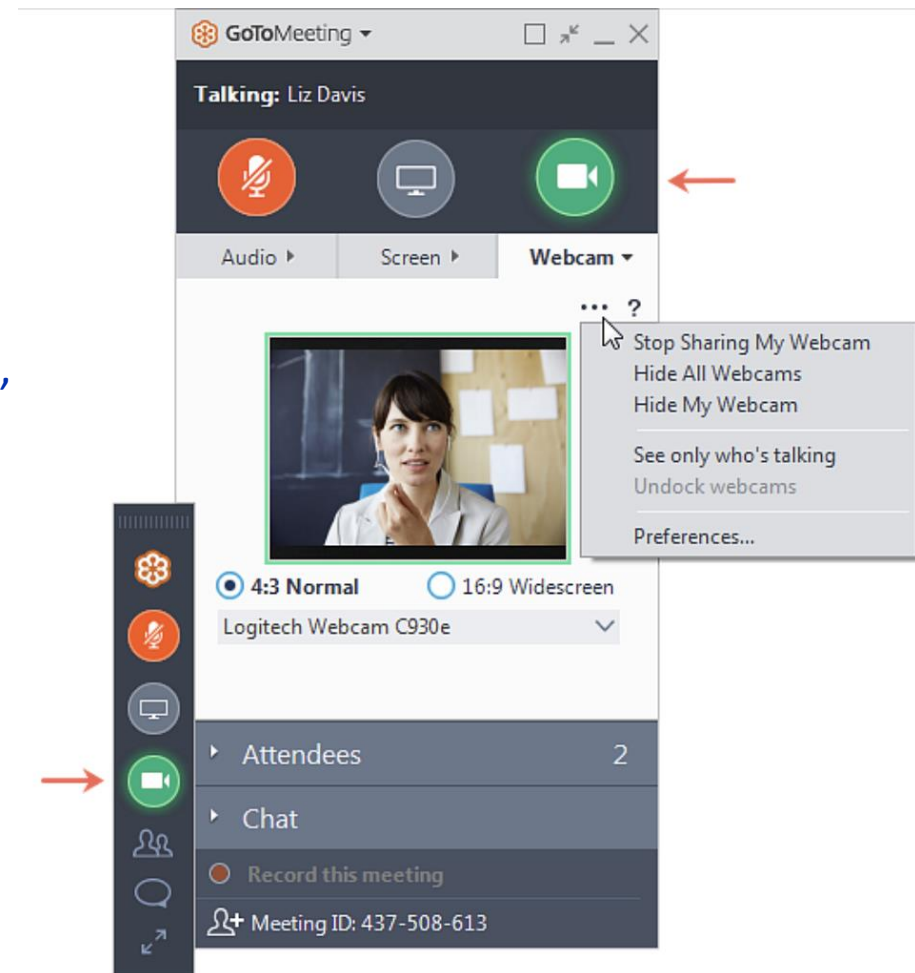
NetMeeting

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One of the first widespread webinars was WindowsNetMeeting (1996 2001), part of Internet Explorer 3.0

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GoToMeeting

- Created in 2004 by Citrix Online based on Webinars.com product

- HD video recording

- Supported OS: Win, Mac, Linux, iOS, Android, Browser

- http://www.gotomeeting.com/

- Up to 3000 attendees

WebEx

Founded in 1995, purchased by Cisco Systems in 2007

13 languages support

The ability to transfer control of the mouse and keyboard to each participant

Supported OS: Win, Mac, iOS, Android, Browser

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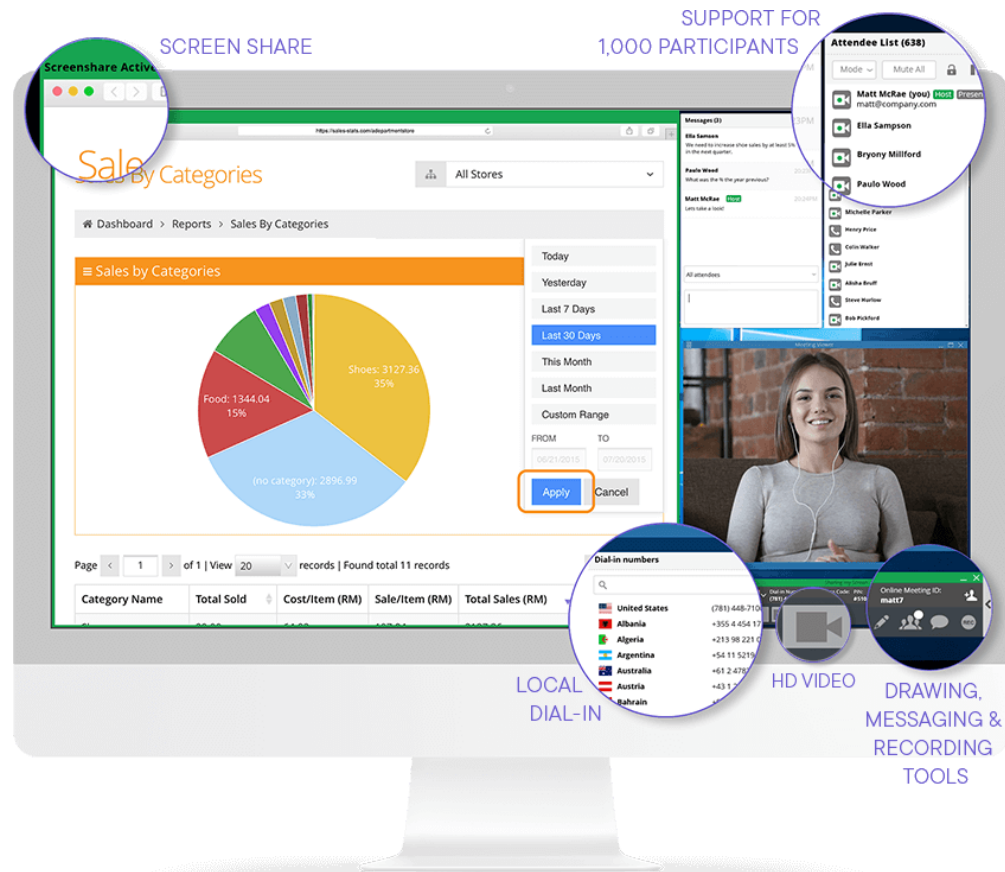
StartMeeting

- Created in 2011 as start up

- Free video recording

- Supported OS: Microsoft Windows

- http://www.startmeeting.com/

JoinMe

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Free up to 10 participants

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Supported OS: Microsoft Windows 7+, Macintosh

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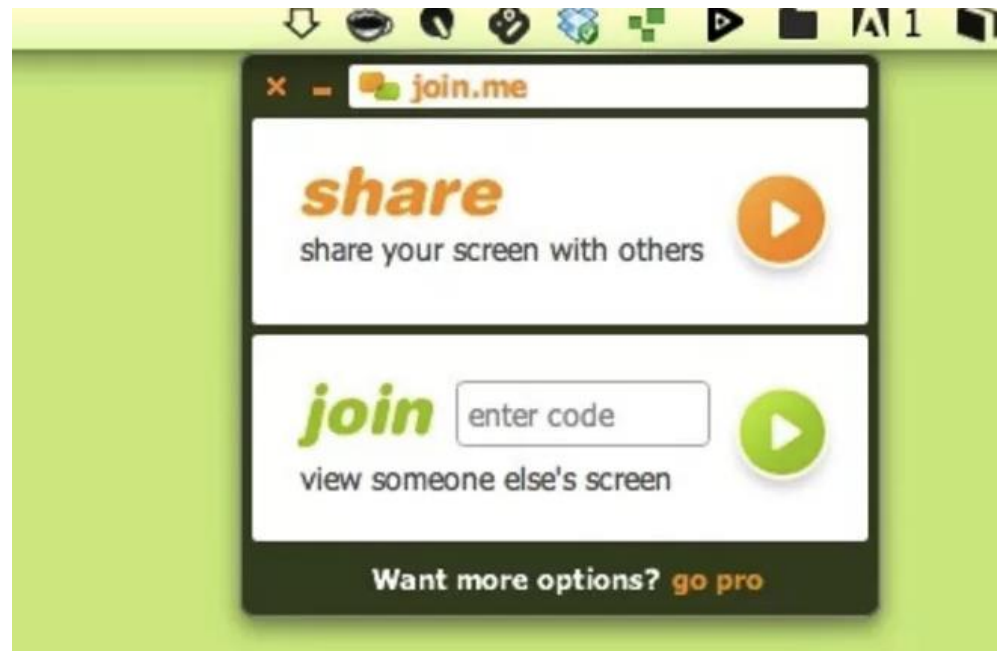
Features
Mobile
Webinar
Toll-free Audio
Screen Sharing
Video Conference
Free Conference Call
With Slack

WebinarJam Studio

- Established in 2013

- Supported OS: any

- Supported browsers: any

- Allows you to work with more than 1000 connections

- https: //www.webinarjam.com

- In 2014 was able to drew away 15000+ companies from GoToMeeting

Team Viewer

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Established in 2005

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Supported OS: Windows, Mac OS, Linux, Android, Apple iOS, Windows Phone

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Free for private use.

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https://www.teamviewer.com/

Zoom

- Established in 2011

- Supported OS: a lot, has web version

- Free for private use with some restrictions

- https://zoom.com/

- December 2019 – 10 million users daily
April 2020 – 200 million users daily

Google Meet

- Established in 2017

- Supported OS: Android, iOS, Web

- Free conferences for 60 minutes only (since 1st October, 2020)

- https://meet.google.com/

- January 2020 – 3 million users daily
April 2020 – 100 million users daily
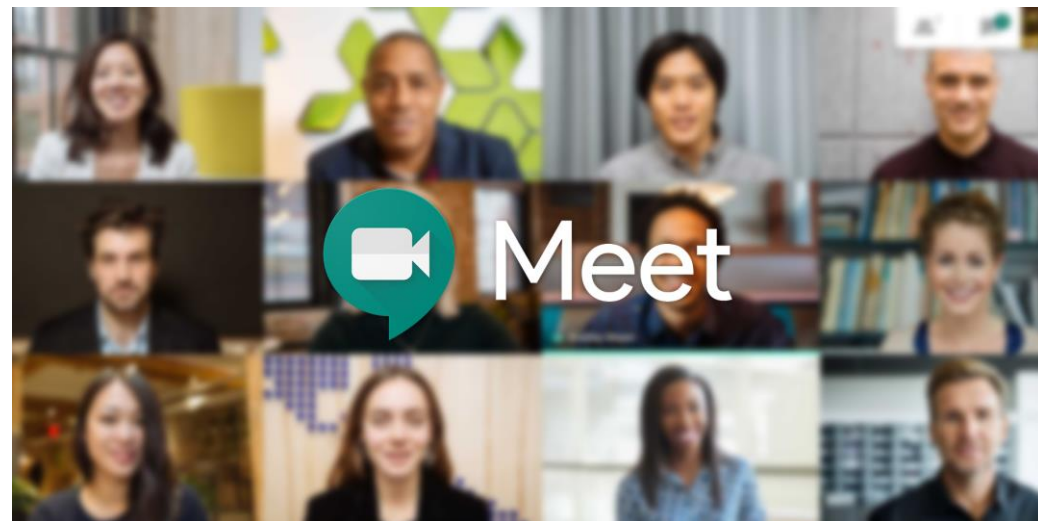
Microsoft Teams

- Established in 2016 as Slack competitor

- Supported OS: Windows, Linux, macOS, iOS, Android

- Part of Microsoft Office 365 package

- https://teams.microsoft.com/

- March 2020 – 44 million users daily
  April 2020 – 75 million users daily
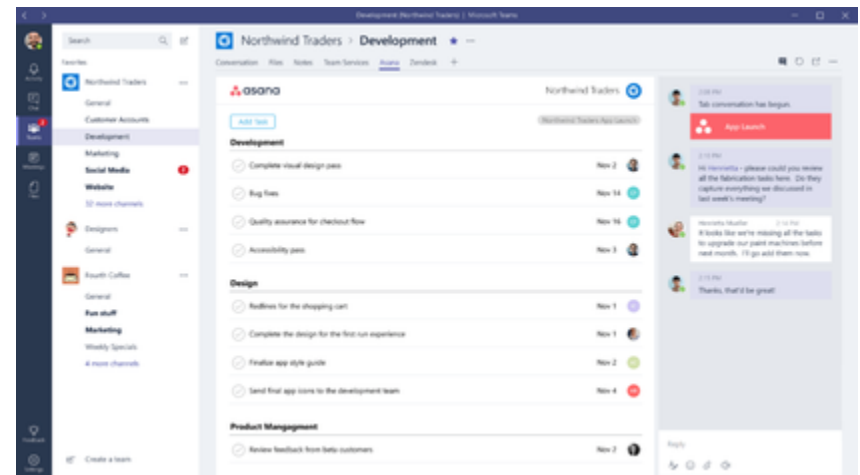
DingTalk

- Established in 2014

- Supported OS: Supported OS: Win, Mac, iOS, Android, Browser

- Free for most features

- https://www.dingtalk.com/

- 2018 – 100 million users