MILOPS DOMAIN MEETING MINUTES

Date/Time: 12 June 2025, 1000

Location: MS Teams

Chairs: Darcy Staley & Beth Smalley

1. **Goal:** Bi-monthly update featuring U.S. Air Force STITCHES and NIEM Integrations
2. **Previous Meeting Minutes:** https://niem.github.io/community/milops/meeting-notes/
3. **List of Attendees:**

Darcy Staley	Richard Elder	Gary Tingley
Beth Smalley	Kathryn Hamilton	Torrey Miller
Charles Timme	Charles Adams	Shunda Louis
Michael Knapp	Laura Guay	Jeffrey Benison
Stephen Sullivan	Donald Mathes	Paul Macias
Elaine Lamaster	Michael Klosterman	Ricardo Sanchez
Terry Mock	Duane Gray	Craig Swanson
Mark Gibson	Christopher Johnson	Stephen Knott
Jimmy Jones	Richard Casabar	

4. **Agenda:**
   - Opening Remarks
   - Project Governing Board (PGB) Minute
   - NIEMOpen Business Architecture Committee (NBAC) & NIEMOpen Technical Architecture Committee (NTAC) Tools & Training Updates
   - MilOps in Action
   - Discussion & Vote on MilOps Governance
   - MilOps Goals
   - Nominate Your Work
   - Ideas for Next Meeting
   - Discussion/Closing Remarks
5. **Minutes**
   - **NIEM Updates – PGB Minute**
     - IJIS hosted a well-attended webinar with over 200 registrants and a YouTube video available.
     - The new Forensics domain has been approved by the NIEM Business Architecture Committee (NBAC) and endorsement by the PGB.
     - NIEM Model version 6.0 has been approved and placed in the OASIS library.

- The Common Model Format (CMF) tool developed by Dr. Renner is now operational.
- API 2.0 is in progress.
- NIEMOpen conducted beta training using their new learning management system in early May and will be updating the training based on feedback.
- The ability to translate from XML or RDF to JSON will be incorporated in the next training release.

- **MilOps in Action**
  - Co-chairs supported exploratory meetings with various services and combatant commands regarding NIEMOpen as an option for a minimum standardized enterprise data interoperability solution.
  - Co-chairs are developing a NIEMOpen enterprise data interoperability brief to share which presents benefits and challenges for DoD partners.
  - USMTF is already partially NIEM conformant and included in the MilOps data model, with DISA working to complete the USMTF integration by the end of the year.
  - There is ongoing work with NCDF (NATO Core Data Framework), STANAG 5653, and the data lake is being updated.
  - NIEMOpen Management Office is pending conversation with the MIM community once Army Regulation 34-1 is updated and a POC is assigned to determine whether to move forward with a NIEMOpen and MIM / MIP integration.
  - **STITCHES Presentation/Discussion**
    1. Jimmy "Rev" Jones presented on STITCHES, highlighting its synergies with NIEM as a type of metamodel. STITCHES augments data content standards for data sharing and mediates and integrates new and legacy mission systems into new architectures, enabling new data sharing arrangements. He discussed the challenges of data integration and how STITCHES can help maintain data layers for specific purposes while enabling interoperability. He answered questions about international/multinational partners, security models, cross-domain solutions, and implementation in various operational systems.

- **Discussion and Vote on MilOps Governance**
  - MilOps governance review was sent out on May 1st, with one comment received regarding quorum requirements. A decision was made that quorum is not required by OASIS but could be implemented. The governance review was approved and will be uploaded to the GitHub repository.
  - The MOMS governance review was sent out on May 28th, with feedback due by July 7th.

- **MilOps Goals**
  - Establish a quarterly newsletter, with the first one targeted for the fourth quarter of the year.
  - Participate in CWIX with partner nations using NCDF-related capabilities based on NIEM Open.
  - Increase awareness and support of NIEM throughout the MilOps community.

- **NIEMOpen Excellence Award Nominations:** Nominate teams for the NIEMOpen Excellence Awards by the end of the month.

- **Next Meeting**
  - **August 14, 2025, 10:00 AM**
6. **Decisions:** Approve/Deny MilOps Governance Update
7. **Voting:** Approved MilOps Governance

Please note: The meeting recording is too large to post to GitHub. Please click the link to the recording from the meeting chat. DoD: Request access by emailing MilOps: js.dsc.j6.mbx.milops@mail.mil .

8. **Minutes Approval:** Co-chair consent obtained

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