

OASIS eGovernment Member Section Work Programme

MISSION – To promote the adoption and implementation of open standards that facilitate interoperability within and between government agencies and all of their stakeholders, and to stimulate the sharing of best practices and examination of use cases concerning the delivery of eGovernment services, bringing together the public administrations at all jurisdictions with other OASIS constituencies – enterprises, technology vendors, research and academia and ICT professionals, wherever they are.

Part 1 – 3 Year Strategy

Goal 1 – promote interoperability and the implementation of open standards for transformational government.

This will be done by:

- 1.1** developing cooperation with other relevant standards groups, such as but not exclusively UN/CEFACT, Liberty, CEN, ETSI, ITU, ISO, OECD, APEC, and W3C, to promote interoperability;
- 1.2** engaging closely with global institutions, for example but not exclusively the European Commission, the World Customs Organisation and the World Bank, as well as the widest possible range of governments at national/federal, regional and local jurisdictions;
- 1.3** using the eGovMS list server to share experiences amongst the membership.

Goal 2 – develop eGovernment guidelines that could add value by focusing on use cases and specific requirements at different jurisdictions of public administration in countries from varying levels of economic and technological development.

This will be done by:

- 2.1** inviting Governments to publish their Requests for Information via OASIS eGovMS;
- 2.2** developing guidelines to identify points at which new standards may need to be developed and demonstrate how various ways of implementing existing standards could accelerate the eGov maturity process. The results will be published both online and as printed Guides to eGov Implementation;
- 2.3** promoting the development of an eGovMS Library to host guidelines, use cases and other White Papers in an accessible manner, recognising the need to reflect on the OASIS information architecture;

2.4 promoting genuine solutions to focus dialogue on common problems, e.g. gap analysis on different approaches to eID, eProcurement, eTax, eCustoms issues, etc

Goal 3 – create a platform for a series of activities focused on stimulating more inclusive, citizen-centred and shared solutions for Transformational Government

This will be done by a variety of techniques involving both *virtual* and face to face sessions as follows:

3.1 *Webinars* to define indicators for success or benchmarking for eGov solutions or to demonstrate use cases;

3.2 *Discussion Groups* on the evolution of new technologies and techniques;

3.3 *Workshops* on leveraging solutions for e-Procurement, Authentication, Access control, cross-border interoperability and related standards implementation topics.

Goal 4 – discuss, scope and if needed initiate additional standardization projects within OASIS.

This will be done by:

4.1 establishing one or more subcommittees of the Member Section, to perform or advise regarding any function that the Member Section or its Steering Committee is permitted to perform;

4.2 establishing affiliations with existing and new OASIS Technical Committees;

4.3 identifying the need for, and working with OASIS staff to establish, new Technical Committees;

4.4 promoting the work of the Member Section and encouraging new organisations to join OASIS and support the work of the Member Section.

Part 2 - Action plan 2009/10

Action No	Goal	Action	SC Coordinator¹	Target Date
1	1.1	Put in place a liaison programme to establish good working relationships and sharing of information and experiences with all relevant external organisations.	JB	End Summer 2009
2	1.2	Provide the World Bank with advice/guidance regarding the implications for interoperability and, if relevant, conformity with open standards, especially for projects in emerging markets.	RS	Autumn 2009
3	1.3	Develop a culture within the MS of using the eGovMS list server to request help and advice and to share experiences.	tbc	Late Spring 2009
4	2.1	Set up a process by which ROI/RFIs issued by Governments are identified and posted to the eGovMS list server for consideration by members.	TS	Summer 2009
5	2.2	Define a set of procedures and processes on how to define or to stimulate consultations leading to proposals for new standards development or for best practice guidelines.	BS/CW	Summer 2009
6	2.2	Identify the priorities for Implementation Guides and publish at least 3 of them per annum.	WB	End 2009
7	2.3	Work with OASIS staff to establish an eGovMS library.	JB	Summer 2009
8	2.4	Identify at least 3 use cases per annum and promote them as Best Practice.	WB	End 2009
9	3.1	Run a webinar on the use of Open Source by governments.	CS	Autumn 2009
10	3.2	Establish a discussion group on the use of SOA/web services by governments.	WB	Summer 2009
11	3.2	Establish a discussion group on the advent of Cloud Computing and its possible implications on the delivery of government services.	WB	Summer 2009
12	3.3	Hold a one day workshop jointly hosted with the World Bank in Washington DC.	CCS	17 April 2009
13	3.3	Hold a one day workshop jointly hosted with [the Federal Ministry of Finance in Belgium (SPFF), OECD and WCO] on cross-border interoperability and tax and	AM	Brussels Spring 2010

		customs related issues and the relevance of interoperability and security standards.		
14	3.3	Hold a one day workshop in collaboration with [the OASIS Emergency Management Member Section] on the implementation of the OASIS Common Alerting Protocol (CAP).	CCS	North America Summer 2010
15	3.3	Hold a one day Workshop on Interoperability of Document Formats in Public Administrations.	CCS	Geneva 2010
16	4.1	Establish a Tax/Customs subgroup to address to the needs of the taxation and customs communities and sharing their use of open standards.	JB	Late Spring 2009
17	4.1	Establish a Public Finances subgroup to address to the needs of the public finances communities and sharing their use of open standards.	JB	Summer 2009
18	4.2	Identify which current TCs are relevant to the MS and seek their affiliation(s).	JB	May 2009
19	4.2	Monitor all new TCs and seek appropriate ones to affiliate with the MS.	tbc	Ongoing
20	4.2	Conduct a gap analysis with input from the membership to identify where new work is required to develop standards that will support government interoperability, and then work with OASIS staff to establish any appropriate TCs.	JB	Late Summer 2009
21	4.4	Encourage other Governments to join the MS and share their experiences with the membership.	JB	Summer 2009

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tbc – to be confirmed

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Participants in the OASIS eGov Member Section are invited to propose additional work items to the above Action Plan and to offer to host implementations of the Work Programme.

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