



Universal MultiMedia Addressing Platform (UMMAP) Activity Group

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To promote the development of a platform using existing standards for addressing any multimedia end point *from* any multimedia end point, regardless of the service provider or protocol in use by the systems, and to build consensus for the platform among vendors, service providers, and users.¹

Activity Group Milestones

- Q1 2004: Deepen group understanding of and document existing protocols that the group believes are part of the ideal solution. Prepare communications plan (most appropriate and effective vehicles to promote the UMMAP outputs).
- Q2 2004: Prepare document that articulates UMMAP group's vision for potential transparent multimedia addressing solution.
- Q3 2004: Produce document that describes the gaps in existing protocols that prevent achievement of vision.

Meetings & Discussion

Every other Wednesday at 11:00 AM ET (USA), via teleconference: dates, minutes, and bridge info available at http://www.imtc.org/activity_groups/ummap.asp

Ongoing discussion via the imtcummap@imtc.org mailing list.

Current activities

Discussion of how to integrate various dialing schemes (E.164, GDS, SIP, H.320, H.323, URI, URL) and services (LDAP, H.350, DNS, ENUM) into a common, universal system for addressing endpoints in the network, regardless of network type.

ViDe is coordinating an interoperability and interconnection project as a 'running code' project within UMMAP to connect the ViDe.net network to other private and public video networks. The goal is transparent dialing using GDS between endpoints.

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¹ Making a call from one multimedia device to another multimedia device may involve issues other than addressing, such as protocol incompatibilities or codec choices. Other obstacles to inter-protocol communications exist but are currently outside the scope of this working group. The UMMAP Working group will work with other bodies to accelerate resolution of related issues.