Minutes for the 1ˢᵗ meeting of the Working Group for XML Musical Application

IEEE 1599

WG_1599 – Working Group for XML Musical Application

A. Meeting information

Date: January 25, 2019
Location: Aula Magna, Department of Computer Science, University of Milan
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C. Call to order, Chair's remarks

The meeting begins at 14.30 CET.
Goffredo Haus presides the meeting in his role of WG chair.

D. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

Not applicable, since this is the first meeting of the working group.

E. Approval of agenda

The agenda is introduced by the WG chair, and approved by participants.

F. Technical topics

The WG chair introduces the first WG meeting by greeting all participants and thanking them for their involvement in the revision initiative. He recalls the main goals of the new Recommended Practice, including: the generalization and customizability of layers, the support of other commonly-accepted XML formats for music symbols, the interoperability with other standards, and the integration of Digital Rights Management.

The WG vice-chair illustrates the main characteristics of the new Web viewer for the original IEEE 1599 format.

Other participants share and discuss their ideas about the future development of the standard. Panelists taking the floor are: Antonio Camurri (University of Genova), Davide De Roure (University of Oxford), Shlomo Dubnov (University of California San Diego), Davide Andrea Mauro (Marshall University), Mark Sandler (Queen Mary University London), Luca Turchet (Queen Mary University London, University of Trento), David Weigl (University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna). They agree on the need to keep the multi-layer structure that characterized IEEE 1599 with respect to other formats, but also on the opportunity to align the standard with the emerging trends and needs of academia and industry.

G. Action items

The WG chair and vice-chair discuss their ideas concerning next steps to be realized in the short term, also considering the above-mentioned technical discussion.

The main action to implement in the next future is to share a public call with scholars and experts, so as to open the roster to new actors able to give their contribution to the standard revision. This activity is expected to involve all current members.

WG officers have to learn and configure the support tools provided by IEEE to manage the WG, such as the mailing list.

H. Items reported out of executive session

The WG chair provides details about the voting/non-voting status of the roster. He recalls that IEEE policies require that status changes from non-voting to voting through participation in a minimum number of meetings. For this reason, only those roster members who contributed to the

original IEEE 1599 standard have a voting status from the beginning. Other members will gain this right after attending 2 of the last 4 meetings, as established by the WG document titled "Policies and Procedures".

I. Recesses and time of final adjournment

The WG chair asks participants to share their presentations.
After the final remarks, the meeting ends at 16.00 CET.

J. Next meeting - date, time, and location

The chair proposes to meet, physically or virtually, each 4 months.
The next meeting is expected by the end of June 2019.
The goal for the next meeting is enrolling new members among scholars and experts interested in the initiative and the structuring of the working group into subgroups.