

CManage Dev Call 21-Aug-09

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Attending

Heather Flanagan, Stanford (chair)
Digant Kasundra, Stanford
Ken Klingenstein, Internet2
Tom Barton, U. Chicago
Steven Carmody, Brown
Michael Gettes, MIT
R.L. "Bob" Morgan, U. Washington
Ann West, Internet2/EDUCAUSE
Renee Frost, Internet2
Steve Olshansky, Internet2
Emily Eisbruch, Internet2 (scribe)

New Action Items

[AI] (Ken) will talk with Gwen to explore a CManage demo geared to iPlant.
[AI] (Ken) and (Michael) will discuss a possible demo for Ken's Sept 14 meeting.
[AI] (Ken) will speak to the French and Spanish regarding their potential work on collaboration tools.
[AI] (Emily and Renee) will confirm changes to the schedule for CManage sessions at FMM and report back to the group.
Carry Over Action Items
[AI] (Ken) will forward to the list notes from his recent discussion with International partners.
[AI] (Ken) will ask the Dutch if they want to participate in the project management group for the preproduction pilot.
[AI] (Ken) will iterate with Mike LaHaye and Dan Pritts on moving the preproduction pilot toward some production use for projects of limited duration.
[AI] Tom and Michael will edit the PowerPoint diagrams to clarify issues.
[AI] (Ken) will work on CManage scripting.
[AI] (Digant and SteveO) will put together a demo video.
[AI] (Digant) will register the Sympa bug in the CManage JIRA for our reference, and follow up with Sympa developers/maintainers.
[AI] (Digant) will verify that Confluence is working with CManage.
[AI] (Digant) will incorporate the user dashboard that Steven designed into CManage.
[AI] (Ken) will send an outline to Steven, Tom and Digant as a basis for talking to NSF about collaboration with HUBzero.
[AI] (Ken) will draft an email to interested parties who could be helpful in CManage testing.
[AI] (Steven and Jim) will flesh out the existing developer domestication guidelines in the wiki.
[AI] (Ken) will ask his contact at the Norwegian Federation about Foodle.
[AI] (Bob) will provide to the list background on user stories.
[AI] (Ken) will talk with Lois about Fluid involvement in improving the CManage GUI, scheduling it for later in the year.
[AI] (Chris) will contact Atlassian and try to obtain a timetable for Jira domestication. (Ken) will provide some wording for this communication with Atlassian.
[AI] (Bob) will send links to the group on the invitation problem.
[AI] (Ken) will send a note to his contact at OOI to explore their level interest (after the CManage alpha is ready).
[AI] (Ken) will ping Frank Siebenlist from Argonne National Laboratory, who is interested in CManage.

Discussion

Service Pilot Group

The CManage service pilot demo group met 14-Aug-09.
Steven reported:

- Since the call, Michael has done substantial work on the pilot demo at <https://co.internet2.edu/>.
 - The demo runs on a VM and it's based on the version of CManage from 18-20 months ago. The new addition is built around a dashboard based on Confluence v3.
 - Michael has started upgrading the versions of applications themselves that exist within this VM. For example, he is talking with people at Brown regarding Shibboleth and Bedework.
 - SteveO and Michael are working together on the collabmin interface and on documentation.
- Michael noted:
- There may be a few issues with registering to view the demo, and these should be fixed in the next few days.
 - Michael plans to redo the integration with Dimdim, and this may require a separate VM
 - Michael plans to fix some issues with Sympa integration
 - Michael was impressed with the Grouper UI Lite developed by Chris and would hope to be able to bring that into this CManage demo, perhaps right before the FMM <https://mail.internet2.edu/www/arc/grouper-dev/2009-08/msg00025.html>
 - The process for "invites" is not firm yet, particularly for people who are not yet registered. Michael hopes to investigate ways of handling this. SteveO noted the option of including text in the invites asking recipients to establish a user account if they haven't previously done so before responding to the invitation.
 - Michael and SteveO have started forums within the CManage instance to facilitate documentation on configuring of the apps and other issues.
 - Michael hopes to talk with Digant about packaging issues

Q: Would it make sense to have a second VM with a working checkpointed version, in addition to the development VM?

A: Michael responded that due to time constraints, this would be possible only after FMM.

International Call

Ken had a discussion with international partners on 17-Aug-09, and he intends to send out minutes. Highlights:

- Participants included Ian, Leif, Thomas from Switch, Ken, and Steven. Niels was on vacation.
- There was a brief conversation on other activities in similar space.
- Andreas Solberg from Feide has announced there is work going on in the area of VO support. This work is based on SimpleSAMLphp with a group management tool based on OAuth.

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- Ian will contact Cal at Newcastle to learn about GFIVO activities in the collaboration tool space.
- There was brief conversation about N-Tier use cases.
- There was discussion of integrating around a security token service.
- Leif discussed efforts to Shibbolize Adobe Connect. The Dutch have also been active in that effort.
- Federation of Alfresco was discussed.
- The next international call will be the week of Sept 6 with a focus on how to best coordinate efforts.

Michael suggested using the forum for international collaboration within the COmanage pilot demo as the place for maintaining notes and tracking progress.

Cybersecurity Summit Sept 14-15

Ken will attend an NSF Cybersecurity Summit Sept. 14-15.

The theme of the summit will be federated identity.

People running large scale resources are not always excited about federated identity. However, if we demonstrate - via COmanage - that federated identity shows excellent collaboration mechanisms, this is an advantage.

[AI] (Ken) and (Michael) will discuss a possible demo for Ken's Sept 14 meeting.

Member Meeting

Heather suggested the COmanage WG at FMM focus on

Demo of the service pilot (Michael).

Discussing COmanage roles (based on Steven's email)

Workflow discussion (use TomB's slides)

Gwen Jacobs, chair of iPlant board of directors, will speak at the I2MM plenary general session on Wed. Oct. 7.

Perhaps explore whether Gwen might include in her talk a vision of the collaboration process they would like to move towards. If yes, we could create a demo version of an iPlant COmanage instance for her to use.

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Steven has been working with the GENI Project on developing a proof of concept using Shibboleth. What about tying this into using COmanage? A question was raised of issues and possibly confusion if we demo using a resource outside of the VM.

Working Group Session Scheduling at FMM

There was discussion of working group timing at FMM. There is the possibility of scheduling two working group sessions, the primary one at lunch on Monday and an additional session Wednesday at 5:30 pm

[AI] (Emily and Renee) will confirm changes to the schedule for COmanage sessions at FMM and report back to the group.

***Next COmanage Call:** Friday, Sep 4, 2009, 2pm ET

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