On March 4-7, 2013, the SMI-Lab held its second plugfest of the year. Microsoft hosted this plugfest in the Enterprise Engineering Center (EEC) at their Redmond, Washington campus.

Feedback about SMI-S—from IntelliMagic and Microsoft

Jim Davis, SMI-Lab Chair, reported that he received client feedback from both IntelliMagic and Microsoft asking to strengthen the SMI-S specification.

Microsoft explained that they had seen performance issues with SMI-S that could be addressed with some changes to the specification.

Brett Allison, IntelliMagic, presented about the SMI-S Block Server Performance Profile and planned to discuss it in an upcoming DRM meeting. Brett requested that some properties become mandatory. IntelliMagic is a world leader in Storage Performance Management software solutions. Its headquarters are in Leiden, Netherlands, with a US office in Dallas, TX. The SMI-Lab was happy to see their return to a plugfest.

March Plugfest Themes:
- NAS & security
- Indications
- MMS demos
- Fabric management
- Infrastructure updates (server management, proxy management, provider capabilities, security)
- Replication - sync mirroring

March Plugfest Events
- SMI Lab CTP and WHCK Synergy discussion
- Getting Started (...with SMI-S) discussion
- Trade Shows/Demo for MMS - Jim Davis, WS, Hector Linares, Microsoft
- SMI-S Block Server Performance Sub-profile presentation - Brett Allison, IntelliMagic
- Bug/SCR follow-ups (daily)
- SMI Marketing update - Troy Biegger, WS
- Offloaded Data Transfer discussion
- Plugfest Attendee Appreciation Dinner

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