SMI-Lab 16 Plugfest #1

SNIA™
Storage Management Initiative

On December 7-10, 2015, Microsoft hosted the first plugfest of SMI-Lab 2016—at the Microsoft Times Square office, New York City.
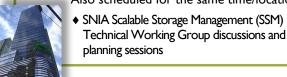
Thanks for Hosting, Microsoft!

Participating SMI Companies

- Dell
- EMC
- HPE
- Inova Development
- Microsoft
- NetApp
- Nimble Storage
- Pure Storage
- SNIA
- Tintri
- VMTurbo

This plugfest did not stand alone.

Also scheduled for the same time/location:

♦ SNIA Scalable Storage Management (SSM) Technical Working Group discussions and planning sessions

Plugfest Themes

- SMI 1.7 Alert and lifecycle indications
- SMI 1.7 Replication services

Plugfest Agenda Topics

- Daily status meetings
- Plugfest appreciation dinner
- What's new in SMI-S 1.7.0
- ♦ Pegasus update
- ♦ Bug meetings
- ♦ SMI Marketing update

First Plugfest for VMTurbo

Rich Hammond, VMTurbo, reported his experience as a first-timer:

"I had a good experience. It was the first Plugfest any representative of VMTurbo attended. The location was very convenient to our development offices, just opened in August, a few blocks down from the Microsoft office.

Our goal: Our software is a client using SMI-S, and I wanted to make connections with the provider developers.

I verified that our software could connect to the SMI-S providers for most of the systems in the lab. I received useful feedback from Richard Roscoe, EMC, who made suggestions to improve our queries by using features of SMI-S that we had overlooked. I found it useful to hear what people in the storage industry were thinking about. "

EMC's Rich Roscoe Reports

Rich Roscoe, EMC, has been a loyal participant of plugfests for many years. Here is a report of his activities.

"EMC attended the December Plugfest for both the SMI and SSM Meetings. On the SMI Front, I got to meet Rich Hammond of VMTurbo and spent some time with Rich going over the VMTurbo SMI-S traversal algorithms. As a result, VMTurbo made some changes which produced a significant improvement in total query execution time. It would be great if additional clients would attend the SNIA Plugfests so these sorts of activities can occur.

I also reviewed the Microsoft Indication document versus the Indications they actually subscribe for and provided the results of that comparison to Microsoft for further analysis.I also got up to speed on the Microsoft System Center 2016 SMI-S related changes. On the SSM front, I participated in the meetings and plan on participating in the SNIA SSM TWG as a follow-on activity."

Team-building! Attendees enjoyed a plugfest appreciation dinner, courtesy of the SNIA.

Next plugfest...

SMI-Lab 16 Plugfest #2
*February 22-25, 2016
Santa Clara, CA, and ChengDu, China
Register at www.snia.org/smilab*

Plan ahead.

2016 Plugfests
♦ Feb. 22-25
♦ April 4-7
♦ May 23-26
♦ August 22-25
♦ October 3-6

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