



Discussion Topic: 802 Calendar

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Issue

- Maintaining a unified IEEE 802 event calendar
 - so participants can find a meeting
 - not critical; most will check with a WG
 - so participants may easily browse for meetings topics and look for something interesting
 - by comparison, at an in-person meeting, people sometimes wander in based on topic
 - so meeting organizers can schedule to avoid competing with meetings of common interest
 - so 802 shows a more unified face and an intention to make our activities accessible
 - to make a positive impression on possible newcomers, showing them a lot is going on
 - providing a lively and dynamic view of 802
 - helps with visibility and outreach

Current situation

- “IEEE 802 Teleconference Schedule”
 - http://ieee802.org/802tele_calendar.html
- This is nice, but it is not really an IEEE 802 Teleconference Schedule
 - It was set up to help with sharing the four Webex calendars
 - It does not include the many other telecons and events.
 - Non-Webex calls; calls using IEEE-SA or other accounts
 - It shows four calendars, each in a different color.
 - The colors are not useful to attendees.
 - Attendees don't want to subscribe to one of the four calendars, since that brings in a variety of topics.
 - The calendars maintenance is automatic and may sometimes be out of sync.

Some WG Calendars

- 802.11 Google calendar
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/11/>
- 802.3 Google calendar
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/3/calendar.html>
- Evolving 802.1 Google calendar
 - <https://1.ieee802.org/802-1-calendar/>
- Observations:
 - These calendars are maintained by the cognizant humans
 - Calendar views and subscriptions are available.
 - Google calendars are popular
 - It's easy to provide aggregated views
 - even for subgroup calendars not using Google

Proposal

- Turn “IEEE 802 Teleconference Schedule” into a full 802 calendar
- Display the calendar on the 802 front page
- Incorporate links to all 802 subgroup calendars
- Encourage all subgroups to maintain calendars
- Color the events by WG
- Once set up, this calendar should require a minimum of further central maintenance
 - Adding links when new calendars come online