



TAC 2015

Technology Advisory Council

OFA TAC chairs: Frank Berry, Diego Crupnicoff

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What is the TAC?

- Technical Advisory Council
 - Technologists working together to advance Open Fabrics
- TAC Charter (2014 OFA Dev Workshop Summary)
 - Investigate technology trends
 - Review needs of end user markets/apps/technology
 - Maintain links to IBTA TWG, Spec bodies, & end users
- TAC Impact
 - Identified and analyzed technology gaps between User community needs and the state of open fabric technology
 - Incubation of Open Fabrics Interfaces Working Group to focus on new approaches to addressing those gaps
 - Inspired the formation of the Open Fabrics Verbs working group to evolve the state of OFED Verbs to address those gaps

What are we taking about?

Changes

Change is necessary for growth

Growth is necessary for viability

- This year's workshop highlighted change
 - The OFA community of Users have a growing and diverse range of needs with distinct requirements
 - The OFA community of technology Suppliers are growing, providing an increasingly diverse range of fabric technologies and fabric interfaces

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- TAC 2015 : Co-Chair
 - Diego Crupnicoff continues as Co-Chair
 - Frank Berry joined the TAC as Co-Chair
 - Tom Stachura will be missed by folks in the OFA
 - Tom's doing fine, simply growing his career, requiring a change in his OFA involvement

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- The TAC must evolve to benefit the growing base of “Users” and “Suppliers” as technology and needs change
 - Enabling OFA to be where diverse fabric technologies and users come together
- Actions resulting from review, investigation and discussion have the biggest impact
 - Incubating and promoting proposals that result in change needs to be the focus
 - Driven by the members of the TAC

TAC 2015 Call to Action

- An ever growing list Technologies that could be important to OFA Users and Suppliers that could be reviewed would fill many more slides
- Each of you already knows what is important to you.
 - The TAC wants you to step forward and initiate discussion of what you need with the technologists of the TAC
 - And yes, we have a list
 - But a line item on a list is not as effective as a person with a need is in kicking off the technology discussions that result in real solutions



Thank You



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