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DMTF to Demonstrate at Microsoft Management Summit

At [Microsoft Management Summit \(MMS\)](#), being held March 26–30, 2007, in San Diego, the DMTF will be showcasing the latest in standards for cross-platform distributed management. Following on the success of the organization's presence at last year's event, MMS 2007 will prove an even greater forum to showcase the **prominence of DMTF technologies** in the management space.

The event schedule will include information and best practices for common real-world scenarios covering the lifecycle of various **management solutions**, such as end-to-end application monitoring, software update management, Operating System and application deployment, desired configuration monitoring and network security.

Given the heterogeneous nature of today's IT space, MMS will be **highlighting cross-platform and cross-vendor management** as a key to effectiveness in the enterprise, and the DMTF plays a central role. By providing a powerful presence at this important event, the DMTF will continue its education of the industry regarding the critical role standards play in today's management landscape.

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Upcoming Events

March 26–30, 2007
[Microsoft Management Summit \(MMS\)](#)

San Diego, California

April 10–12, 2007
[BladeSystems Insight](#)

Savannah, Georgia

April 16–19, 2007
[Storage Networking World](#)

San Diego, California

April 24–26, 2007
[NAC Spring Conference](#)

San Jose, California

Be sure to visit the [DMTF Member Bulletin Board](#) to learn about more members-only discounts and vendor-sponsored events!

For More Information

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[DMTF Web site](#).

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DMTF to Demonstrate at Microsoft Management Summit (cont.)

With more than 3,000 attendees expected, the DMTF's booth space is sure to attract valuable attention to the organization and its standards. In booth #613, the DMTF will present multi-vendor demonstrations of the **next generation of management standards**, including the DMTF's Web Services for Management (WS-Management) and more.

If you're a DMTF member and you'll be exhibiting or speaking at MMS, be sure to let us know so we can highlight your presence. If you plan to attend the event, don't forget to visit the DMTF booth to see demonstrations of the latest **DMTF standards in action**. Stay tuned for more details!

Join Us at the BladeSystems Insight Conference

The agenda is now available for the [BladeSystems Insight event](#), taking place April 10-12, 2007, at the Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort & Spa in Savannah, Georgia. As an Association Sponsor of the event, the **DMTF will be a featured participant** in BladeSystems Insight's program of case study presentations, private meetings, and high-level content.

From 8:15 am to 9:00 am, on Thursday, April 12, the DMTF's president, Winston Bumpus, will **speak on the Blade Community Panel**, along with Jim Hall, president, Blade Systems Alliance; Doug Balog, chairman, Blade.org; Brad Booth, president, Ethernet Alliance; Mark Linesch, president/CEO, OGF; and Don Beaty, ASHRAE.

In addition, during the conference, executives from the DMTF will be **meeting senior IT decision-makers** and providing insights into the DMTF's central role in the management of blade technology. This unique event will allow the DMTF to deliver its message directly to the C-level executives in attendance.

BladeSystems Insight is the first invitational summit focused on the multi-vendor technology and bottom-line business benefits of blade-based systems. The event brings together **senior-level network, data center and IT professionals** to interact with peers, preview new blade technologies, meet up to 40 best-of-breed vendors, including IBM, Cisco, Brocade, APC, Emerson Network Power and many others, and learn from industry thought leaders including the top analysts covering the blade space for Nemertes Research, IMEX Research, Yankee Group, Illuminata, and Robert Frances Group. Also featured is a new "Insight on Virtualization" program that includes special presentations and panels on the impact of virtualization software in the data center environment.

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IT executives need to qualify in order to attend, and every attending executive is provided with a participation package that includes airfare and accommodations. Interested executives should visit https://www.etches.com/infor_req. Vendors interested in sponsorship opportunities, which include case study presentations and one-on-one meetings with attendees, should email Paul Samargedlis at paul.samargedlis@ppmmedia.com or call 603-668-7141.

For general information on BladeSystems Insight, visit <http://www.bladesystemsinsight.com/>.

The NAC's Spring Conference to Focus on Enterprise Authorization Management

The [NAC](#), a DMTF Alliance Partner, invites the industry to its spring conference on **Authorization Management: Policy Administration, Interpretation & Enforcement**, being held April 24-26, 2007 in San Jose.

Building on the NAC's [Enterprise Security Architecture whitepaper \(ESA\)](#), which includes a conceptual architecture for policy-driven security, this conference will look at enterprise authorization management - a foundation service that enables other security services.

The goal of the NAC Spring Conference is to provide attendees with an understanding of access management issues and **the latest solutions and trends**, including granularity of access policy, points of enforcement, access policy administration, import/export of policy, provisioning of policy and standards for policy expression. The conference will explore critical success factors, processes, tools and achieved benefits.

For more information about attending the conference as a guest, or participating as a vendor, please contact: Pamela Campagna, Executive Director, NAC at pamcamp@netapps.org.

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Work Group Teleconferences

Work Groups are an important way that members can actively participate in the DMTF. Working groups have their own Web sites with milestones, specifications and contacts, and host teleconferences on the following schedule (all times Pacific):

[Technical Committee](#)

- Tuesdays 9:00-10:00 a.m.

- [Applications and Metrics](#)

- Thursdays 8:00-9:00 a.m.

- [Architecture](#)

- Wednesdays 10:00-11:00 a.m.

- [Behavior and State](#)

- Mondays 10:30-11:30 a.m.

- [CIM Core Schema](#)

- Fridays 9:00-10:00 a.m.

- [Network](#)

- Thursdays 1:00-2:00 p.m.

- [Policy](#)

- Tuesdays 1:00-2:00 p.m.

- [Pre-OS](#)

- Tuesdays 9:00-10:00 a.m.

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Work Group Teleconferences

[Technical Committee Cont'd](#)

- [Server Management](#)
– Thursdays 1:00–2:00 p.m.
- [System Virtualization,
Partitioning, and
Clustering](#)
– Thursday 9:00–10:30 a.m.
- [WBEM](#) Infrastructure and
Protocols
– Wednesdays 9:00–10:00 a.m.

[Marketing Committee](#)

– Wednesdays Noon–1:30 p.m.
(every two weeks)

[Interoperability Committee](#)

– Tuesdays 10:00–11:00 a.m.

- [CDM Forum](#)

– Tuesdays 8:00–9:00 a.m.

- [SMASH Forum](#)

– Tuesdays 7:00–8:00 a.m.

Renew Your Membership for 2007

The DMTF's fiscal year begins on April 1, and the organization is positioned for another landmark year in 2007. If you haven't done so already, **now is the time to renew your membership** – the DMTF's dues remain among the lowest in the industry, maximizing the number of individuals and organizations that can take an active role.

DMTF members **receive front-line access** to information about DMTF standards and the opportunity to participate in the process of defining these standards. Membership in the DMTF also provides special event discounts, including both attendance and sponsorship bargains, that help make the membership fee a **valuable investment**.

Regardless of how big or how small your company is, or how involved you want to be, there's a **membership level for everyone**. At the Monitoring Level, members gain access to valuable content and communications on the member side of the DMTF Web site, such as members-only tools and announcements. In addition to these benefits, Participation Level members can join and contribute to any number of DMTF marketing or technical work groups (with the exception of the top-level Technical and Marketing Committees), and can participate in press activities, trade show events and Web postings. Leadership Level members can take advantage of full voting privileges, and have the **opportunity to lead the definition and development of management standards** by chairing a Work Group and by participating in the DMTF Technical and Marketing Committees. For more information on the costs associated with each level, see the [DMTF Web site](#).

Payment for the next membership year is due by **April 1, 2007**, and your timely renewal helps keep our administrative costs down. We're pleased to offer existing members several payment options. These options and additional information regarding renewals are available [online](#).

If you have questions about this year's membership dues or your invoice, please [contact the DMTF secretary](#), Kes Wold.

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