

Charter for the DMTF Virtualization & Cloud Management Forum

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1 MISSION

The Virtualization & Cloud Management Forum (VCMF) develops procedures and software to test the interoperability of and conformance to the virtual system management profiles, cloud management profiles, and the open virtualization format specifications.

The procedures and software allow member companies and others to ascertain the conformance level of products that implement the profiles and specifications germane to virtualization and cloud that are developed in DMTF. An important side effect of this work is validation of the standards.

2 CHARTER

The VCMF is chartered to perform its work in support of the DMTF Virtualization Management initiative (VMAN), DMTF Cloud Management initiative (CMAN), the SVPC work group, and the Cloud Management work group.

3 MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Virtualization & Cloud Management Forum is open to DMTF members who meet the requirements of membership as defined in the VCMF Policies and Procedures guide. Membership in VCMF may require payment of fees to fund the work of the forum.

The activity of VCMF is governed by the policies and procedures of the Virtualization & Cloud Management Forum, its parent, the Interoperability Committee, and DMTF Board of Directors.

The DMTF operating policies <http://www.dmtf.org/about/policies/> and the DMTF anti-trust guidelines apply as stated in the *Member Rules of Conduct* <http://www.dmtf.org/about/policies/rulesofconduct.pdf>.

4 SCOPE OF WORK

The VCMF conducts programs to validate, enhance interoperability, and determine conformance of DMTF standards in the area of virtual system management, cloud management and the open virtualization format.

Subgroups may be formed to address specific needs. The mission and focus of subgroups shall be determined by the VCMF Chairperson(s) and the VCMF Membership, with guidance from the Interoperability Committee and the DMTF Board of Directors.

The activities in the scope of the mission of VCMF are:

- Developing test tools.
- Developing a conformance verification procedure.
- Validating the standards.
- Utilizing a tracking system to provide feedback to the work group.
- Holding plug fests to identify interoperability issues and validate procedures.

5 WORKING RULES

5.1 Website

The VMAN website is located at: <http://dmtf.org/standards/vman>.

The Cloud Management website is located at: <http://dmtf.org/standards/cloud>.

The VCMF website is located at <http://members.dmtf.org/apps/org/workgroup/vmf/>

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5.2 Budget and Membership Fees

The amount of dues, when they are levied, when they are collected, and how they are used, are determined by the VCMF members, or by a subset of the Forum members, subject to the governance of the Interoperability Committee and the DMTF Board of Directors. The procedures for invoicing, collecting, budgeting and other financial activities are set by the DMTF Board of Directors.

Membership fees are set out in Chapter 3 of the VCMF Policies and Procedures guide.

5.3 Adherence to DMTF Rules

All VCMF activities shall be consistent with the bylaws, mission, policies and procedures of the DMTF. Contracts, press releases, payments of bills, use of website or other DMTF infrastructure shall be conducted according to the procedures set by the Interoperability Committee, DMTF Staff, DMTF Committees, and the DMTF Board of Directors.

5.4 Reporting

The parent body of the VCMF is the Interoperability Committee. The VCMF reports on a weekly basis to the Interoperability Committee.

The VCMF also reports at the DMTF Board Face-to-face meetings on an ad hoc basis as deemed appropriate, and as requested by the DMTF Board or the Interoperability Committee.

The Forum reports to its members on a quarterly basis through an Executive Summary email.

5.5 Coordination with other activities

The VCMF works with the DMTF Technical Committee, its sub-committees and their working groups to advance the DMTF standards.

The VCMF collaborates with the other bodies related to the VMAN initiative, the CMAN initiative, the SVPC work group, and the Cloud Management work group.

The VCMF coordinates its work with other forums through the Interoperability Committee.

6 Launch Sponsors

Launch Sponsors are TBD.