

UA Tech WG Meeting

14 March 2022

Attendees

Satish Babu

Jim DeLahunt

Dr. Gopal Tadepalli

Dhananjay Garg

Ernest Mafuta

Fred Kwadwo Aazore

Kapil Goyal

Soni Ekpe Aji

Abraham Selby

Jesse Nathan Kalange

Seda Akbulut

Agenda

- 1) Welcome and roll-call
- 2) Reviewing the [T5 – UA challenges and survey \[docs.google.com\]](#)
- 3) AOB

Meeting Notes

The meeting focused on the UA challenges survey and action plans for UA steering group.

Step1: Internal UA Community Brainstorming Session

Satish reviewed T5 document along with the comments entered mostly by Mark D. and Jim. Ntes and comments were incorporated into the document by resolving them.

We will need to ask Edmon or Akinori-San to be the moderator for the brainstorming session.

The whole survey does not need to be done by all the people within the close community and to save time a list of questions can be circulated in advance.

We have the option of circulating the questions in advance.

Seda and Satish cross-checked the list of UASG leadership which includes current and past leaders of UASG, such as Chairs, Local Initiatives, WG Chairs, UA Ambassadors and officials.

This list needs to be circulated to the Tech WG for further input.

Jim raised the question of what UASG Leadership term is referred to. He mentioned that If this list of names is who should review and endorse the proposal, it is on the right track. If it is a list of who should participate in the Internal UA Community Brainstorming Session, then it is missing the names of several people with knowledge, experience, and insight. For instance, missing from the list are Mark W. Datysgeld and John Levine, who have considerable expertise. Satish suggested coming up with a proper definition of this terminology and publishing the changes.

Seda opened the UASG Leaders page on <https://uasg.tech/about/people/> to explain the UASG Leaders term. It consists of the chairs and vice chairs of UASG, WGs, Local Initiatives and UA Ambassadors. The Administrative Group is formed by the UASG chair and vice chairs. So, in the context of leadership, all working groups' (vice) chairs are called UASG leaders.

Satish concluded that the term UA steering group is confusing and should be discussed in the coming meeting of the Coordination Group.

Step 2:

The discussion continued on the questions being asked at external surveys.

For management - Seda's suggestion, to change the UA as an important area to a priority area in the question to managers, was accepted. Jim had suggested questions were incorporated in this step. Mark's suggestion regarding the best-suited person was also accepted.

For governments - Question regarding incentivized policy to mandate UA was added.

New participants in the meeting briefly introduced themselves at this point since Gopal mentioned it was his first meeting. Some of the participants briefly mentioned about their knowledge about UA and why they are interested.

At this point, Satish gave a short introduction and clarified that Tech WG usually has a technology-related discussion, but the survey is important to have inputs from developers, management and governments.

In the end, Satish talked about the role of Tech WG and the recent development WG has made to remove the gap for UA.

Engaging with developers, management and governments and asking for their inputs are key purposes of this action plan.

All members are requested to provide their input on the document.

Next meeting: Monday 28 March 2022 UTC 1600-1700

Action items

No.	Action Item	Owner
1	Ask Edmon or Akinori-San to be the moderator for the brainstorming session.	Satish / Sarmad
2	Preparing questions in advance for the brainstorming session	All
3	The UASG List needs to be circulated to the Tech WG for further input. (Beforehand, it needs clarification on the title Leadership vs Experts)	All
4	Confusion about the UASG name needs to be opened in the Coordination WG	Satish