> **NOTE:**
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>
> *season/vacations. Our next call is scheduled for 1/13.*

ATTENDEES:

- Phil Rossomando
- Yin-Leng Husband
- Sally St. Amand
- Frank Ryan
- John Evdemon

MINUTES:

Call started at 4 PM ET.

Minutes from the 12/1 conf call were accepted.

John asked for volunteers to assist in completing the Use Case Catalogue document (narratives only).

- Phil expressed interest in assisting with this task.
- John will contact Phil and provide him with guidelines on getting started.

Review of candidates:

- WS-I Supply Chain Scenario
    - o John will re-post URL
    - o Frank suggested that a more focused scenario (such as AIAG's STAR initiative – see below) would provide more value to the group.
    - o John agreed and will follow-up with Harvey to discuss.
- OAG/EAI Scenario
    - o John recommended revising this scenario to accommodate AIAG's STAR initiative
    - o John will send out a link to the STAR initiative
    - o Frank offered to take a look and provide some comments
- RosettaNet
    - o John spoke with Rania about donating her work to the Use Case Catalog
    - o John is in the process of setting up a LiveMeeting demo with Rania to review her work. Please contact John if you are interested in participating in this demo.
- W3C Choreography WG
    - o Monica sent in a link to http://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/public-ws-chor/2003Nov/0004.html. This is a "roll-up" of the various scenarios into a single, highly complex use case.
        - ▪ John: Is this a viable business process or an academic exercise?
    - o No one expressed interest in working on this scenario.

- Visibility into SOAP Headers
    - Raised by Sid on the last conf call. Sid was concerned that we talk a lot about WSDL but not about attachments. If we deal with a Use Case that exchanges significantly sized data, the wire protocol will be an issue (e.g. DIME, SOAP 1.2, MTOM or others).
    - Frank:
        - Explained how ACCORD uses documents & schemas, relying upon large attachments to their business messages (SOAP with Attachments).
    - John:
        - We may want to consider an ACORD scenario in the future.
    - Yin-Leng:
        - Attachments is probably out of scope for the BPEL Group
        - Attachment issues are being discussed by the W3C XMLP WG
    - Frank:
        - We don't currently take a position on this
        - We will not address this since it is not part of the business process
        - We may have to create an "indirect" type of WSDL that gets bound by the engine and a framework to "locate" the attachment.
    - Yin-Leng:
        - Do we have a liaison with the WSDL group? Could they provide some guidelines on binding attachments for us?
        - Are there considerations for binding in the WSDL WG?
    - John:
        - Kevin Liu is in the WSDL WG but was unavailable at the F2F.
    - Sally:
        - Attachments are being addressed in WSDL 1.2
    - John:
        - How would we model this? There are multiple ways to do attachments. Since business processes do not care about how an artifact is attached to a message, this is probably out of scope for us.
    - Frank:
        - The model is agnostic – there is no understanding of WSDL
        - The engine may be required to take the message apart
    - John:
        - We're comparing a document-centric approach with a process-centric approach. The process might use the attachment but will not typically make place any constraints on how an attachment is bound to an electronic message.
        - Are there any objections to dropping this scenario since it is out of scope for BPEL?
    - There were no objections.

- o John will post a suggestion that we drop this scenario and contact Sid directly to ensure he has no problems these plans.
- Quality of Service – this scenario was suggested by Monica
  - o John:
    - How would this appear in a use case? Isn't this really an attribute of a Use Case instead of a Use Case in and of itself?
  - o Frank:
    - We could add this to the STAR scenario
  - o Yin-Leng:
    - This may lead to discussions on whether you should model retries as well.
  - o Phil:
    - Retries are definitely part of the QoS
  - o Yin-Leng:
    - Some people believe that this is out of scope (modeling retires)
    - Yaron apparently believed this is mixing communications errors and business processes
  - o Frank:
    - RosettaNet includes support for this type of activity (retries)
  - o John:
    - Rania is still working on this – I don't think it's done yet since it does not (to my knowledge) support retries.
  - o Frank:
    - RosettaNet may be more applicable place for retries
  - o Yin-Leng:
    - Yaron believed RosettaNet was wrong in their approach, potentially mixing communications & process
  - o John will contact Rania and ask her to add retries.
- Decomposition – On the last call Sid expressed interest in a use case that illustrates decomposition of a process into two or more sub-processes
  - o Yin-Leng: Decomposition was pushed off to the next version of BPEL.
  - o John explained how BPEL could be used as a technical binding to a standard that already supports subprocesses, effectively generating an abstract BPEL for each partner's subprocess.
  - o John will post a suggestion that we avoid trying to work on a decomposition scenario since support for it (decomposition) will not be added to the current version of BPEL
- Business Blueprinting
  - o This is a potential new effort based upon Unisys' Business Blueprinting work.
  - o Phil explained Unisys Business Blueprinting:
    - Capture business models
    - Make them reusable to different industries

- - Identify traceability
    - Identify rules to map from one model type to another
  - o Unisys' interest is in BPEL abstract
  - o Services/verticals could be mapped to a standard/industry thereby removing the redundancy in redeveloping components
- John:
  - o Any objections to pursuing this?
- There were no objections.
- John will Invite Sumeet to the next Use Case Conference Call
- Sally:
  - o Business Blueprinting sounds similar to the work that the BCM TC is doing
    - BCM = Business Centric Methodology
  - o David Webber (of BCM) is trying to pursue specific BCM initiatives on his own
    - David sees BPEL as providing an opportunity to better communicate the work of BCM
- John will send a link to Unisys' Business Blueprinting initiative.

New business

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Call ended at 5 PM ET.