OCM Workshop @ CS3 2022





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OCM

Open Cloud Mesh Protocol

- Started as Federated Sharing functionality before 2015
 - And involving Owncloud, Nextcloud and Seafile...
- Vision
 - OCM defines a vendor-neutral, common file access layer across an organization and/or across globally interconnected organizations, regardless of the user data locations and choice of clouds.

Timeline overview

- 2015-2018 an initiative managed by GEANT
 - A lot of progress on the protocol and keeping the interest up
- Consolidation under the CS3 ORG community umbrella
 - At CS3 2020 we decided move OCM to CS3 ORG
 - OCM Next Steps workshop in June 2020
 - OCM workshop at CS3 2021

Status

- Produced version 1.0 of the specification in July 2020
 - https://github.com/cs3org/OCM-API
- Continued work with the vendors to implement the spec (e.g. Seafile talk)
- A new stakeholder arrived: CS3MESH4EOSC project (Science Mesh)
- CS3MESH4EOSC-sponsored OCM interoperability work
 - OCM test suite

This workshop

OCM - next steps?	Jakub Moscicki
	15:00 - 15:10
OCM test suite	Michiel de Jong
	15:10 - 15:30
ScienceMesh - Invitation Workflow Implementation	Milan Danecek
	15:30 - 15:40
An OCM protocol extension to support data transfer in the mesh	Antoon Prins
	15:40 - 16:00
Some thoughts about OCM-over-ScienceMesh	Michiel de Jong
	16:00 - 16:20
Group-owned shares	Michiel de Jong
	16:20 - 16:40

Objectives & Next Steps

- Can we agree to produce version 1.1?
 - Reach out to EFSS vendors about Invitation Workflow and DataTX options to identify any blockers for platform integration
 - Anything else we want in v. 1.1? To be discussed https://gitter.im/cs3org/OCM
 - Notifications can we bring them back to version 1.1?
 - Group Sharing is interesting but complex (GDPR, technicalities).
 - Discussion will perhaps take us beyond v.1.1
 - Reach out to compare existing functionality from EFSS products
 - e.g. Nextcloud circles, Owncloud Project Spaces
 - ScienceMesh groups discussion documentation provided by David

Objectives & Next Steps

- How do we follow up on the actual EFSS compatibility?
 - Approach EFSS vendors to include the test suite (regression testing of public releases)
- Next OCM workshop in June 2022 ?
 - Request the OCM compatibility update from the EFSS vendors
 - Publish the "OCM compatibility matrix" for EFSS platforms
 - Engage CS3 sites to test the implementation in the OCM testbed (actual infrastructure)? Could offer a ScienceMesh testbed.
 - Tag version 1.1