

MINUTES – T-con

Supplement 209 Task Group of DICOM WG-31, Conformance

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

6 am USA ET /12 pm CET/ 4:30 pm India Time

Present:

Antje Schroeder, Siemens Healthineers,
Bruno Laffin, Agfa HealthCare
Yogalakshmi Selvarajan, Philips
Herve Hoehn, GE
Stephen Vastagh, Acting Secretary

1. Opening

- 1.1. The telephone conference was called to order Call to order at 6:00 am Eastern Time.
- 1.2. Antitrust and patent rules were reviewed.
- 1.3. The Agenda was reviewed and approved.
- 1.4. The minutes of the 2019-12-11 and 2020-02-12 tcons were approved.

2. WG-06 Discussion of Sup 209

Antje Schroeder presented the draft Sup 209 to WG-06 via participating by telephone. She marked up the draft with the discussion points. She presented the marked-up document at this meeting and distributed it the following day. The document will be posted in the ftp folder of the next t-con of this Task Group (Feb. 19, 2020.)

She reported the highlights shown below:

- 2.1. Change tables to allow Yes/No responses (SCU/SCP.)
- 2.2. Include examples to document image types
- 2.3. The Overview should document the capabilities –
ACTION: Bruno
- 2.4. Replace hand-drawn diagrams –
ACTION: Antje
- 2.5. Antje proposed to WG-06 to issue the template portion of the draft Supplement for Public Comment to ascertain whether the comments confirm the direction of development of the recommended DICOM Conformance Statement (DSC). The reason is that the development of the balance of the Supplement will require a large effort, which should not be expended without indication of approval of the direction shown in the draft template. However, WG-06 will only approve a complete draft Supplement for Public Comment.

Therefore, the Task Group decided to solicit comments from the DICOM WGs that represent the imaging equipment modalities (CT, MRI, etc.) In addition, the Group will solicit comments from PACS producers with a focus on smaller producers. The participants of the initial survey supporting the DSC improvement should also be consulted. WGs 14 and 27 have been consulted already. The following modality WGs will be consulted: WGs 2,3,7,12,15, 16, 21, 26. WG-23 may not be advanced in the work process sufficiently to comment.

This Task Group will prepare an introductory communication to the Co-Chairs of the above WGs and offer to make presentations on Sup 209.

ACTION – Antje to prepare first draft.

- 2.6. All open issues and WG-06 directions are identified by green shading in the document presented.

ACTION: all Task Force Members present will implement WG-06 directions in their respective Sections, as soon as possible.

3. Next Meetings – (Usually each Wednesday, 6-7 am US ET)

Wed 19 February 2020, 6amET/12pmCET/430pm IT

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/635075141>

Future In-person meetings of this Task Force were discussed: in the past, this Task Group held 3-day in-person meetings on the same days that Supplement 209 was on the WG-06 agenda. When WG-06 met in Europe, the Task Group members attended the WG-06 sessions in-person and worked together the rest of the days to produce revisions for the next WG-06 sessions as requested by WG-06. The Task Group always met in Europe for travel-cost efficiency reasons. When WG-06 met in the USA or elsewhere, the Task Group was collectively on the phone with WG-06 from Europe. This proved to be very productive and cost efficient. This routine will be continued in the future. The next WG-06 review will be requested after the input/comments on the template from the listed WGs is processed by this Task Group. Timing is to be decided later.

WG-06 meeting schedule in 2020:

March 30-April 3, 2020, Takamatsu, Japan

June 15-19, 2020, MITA HQ, Arlington, VA, USA

August 31-September 4, 2020, MITA HQ, Arlington, VA, USA

November 9-13, 2020, MITA HQ, Arlington, VA, USA

4. Adjournment.

The call was adjourned at 7:15 am US ET.

Report prepared for the DICOM Secretariat by Stephen Vastagh

Report reviewed by DICOM legal counsel: CRS, February 20, 2020.