

## **MINUTES – T-con**

**Supplement 209 Task Group of DICOM WG-31, Conformance**

**Wednesday, April 8, 2020**

**4 am US MDT/6 am US EDT /12 pm CET/ 15:30 pm IST (India)**

### **Present:**

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

### **1. Opening**

- 1.1. The telephone conference was called to order at 4:00 am US Mountain Time
- 1.2. Antitrust and patent rules were reviewed.
- 1.3. The Agenda was reviewed and approved.
- 1.4. The minutes of the April 1 t-con were approved.

### **2. Update on meetings with modality WGs**

Status at the beginning of this t-con is shown below. Members will update and select future meeting dates for various meetings with the other WGs.

### **WG-02&WG-28 XRAY & Physics**

Background:

Time on the WG-02/28 t-con Agenda, on March 26, was arranged. Antje, Herve and Stephen were present. Antje provided the background with the ppt presentation and walked the attendees through the template. Much discussion took place on security issues; Herve managed these discussions. The attendees included X-ray manufacturers' representatives (WG-02) and medical physicists (WG-28). The documents will be distributed to the WGs and comments may be sent individually and/or collectively.

Next meetings of WG-02/28: Approximately May 2020, Fall 2020.

#### **ACTION -Stephen:**

Send follow-up e-mail to prompt members to send comments.

Discussion: Stephen suggested that – based on his experience - to ask the review of 260 pages about the template may be too much of a job because most people are overworked. Could we offer a few pointed questions to get them started on the review? See discussion below

### **WG-03 Nuclear**

Background:

Responded positively, did not have meetings since 2013, looking for ways to meet with Sup 209 Task Group. Stephen invited Jeff to the meeting with WG-02 (above) – no response received, Stephen followed-up on March 31. Stephen sent availability to WG-03 Chair, Jeff Pohlhammer. Members received copy of email.

**ACTION-Stephen**

Continue communicating with WG-03 Chair to organize special t-con.

**WG-07          Radiation Therapy**

Background:

Responded positively. Offered time on upcoming meetings:

April 27-30 Daily: 9:00-13:00 USA EDT, 15:00:00-19:00 CET, 16:30-20:30 IST (Bangalore),  
or

June 15-18 Daily: 9:00-13:00 USA EDT, 15:00:00-19:00 CET, 16:30-20:30 IST (Bangalore),  
Members decided to ask for time on Agenda on April 29 or April 30, 8:00 US MDT, 10:00 US EDT, 16:00 CET, 19:30 IST.

**Current:** Meeting was set April 3, 16:00 CET 19:30 IST. Members received invitation.

**WG-12          Ultrasound**

Background:

No response yet. Antje will contact the Industry Co-Chair again as her WG-01 has been meeting jointly with WG-12.

**ACTION-Antje**

Follow-up with Sander Dekker, Co-Chair

**WG-15          Mammography**

Background:

Responded positively, did not have meetings since 2013, offered to call a special t-con to meet with Sup 209 Task Group. Will search for date and time.

Current: WG-15 chair provided her availability (not available on Wednesdays). The remaining possibilities for t-con with WG-15 are : April 14, 16 May 7, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28

**ACTION-: Stephen**

Continue work on setting up t-con with WG-15

**WG-16          MRI**

Background:

Responded positively. Will search for date and time.

Current: Provided availability to WG-16 Chair. Members received copy.

**ACTION-Stephen**

Stephen to continue work on setting up t-cons.

**WG-21          CT**

Background:

Responded positively - Sup 209 was given Agenda time on March 25, at regular monthly t-con. Due to limited attendance, the full presentation was not given on Sup 209. WG-21 Co-Chairs invited Sup 209 presentation at their future meetings scheduled the last Wednesday of each month. Members decided to

ask for another presentation time on April 29. Assume same time: 10:00 US MDT, 12:00 US EDT, 18:00 CET, 21:30 IST.

Current: Stephen asked for confirmation from WG-21. Sent invitation to Members. Tentatively set as above.

### **WG-26 Pathology**

Background:

Responded positively. Scheduled meeting on March 24. Sup 209 presentation was cancelled due to medical emergency. WG-26 Chair offered future dates & times: April 21, May 5, May 19 and June 2. (All Tuesdays, all 8:00 US MDT, 10:00 US EDT, 16:00 CET, 19:30 IST) They can also schedule a meeting outside of the usual Tuesday time slot. Members decided to ask for meeting on May 5, Tuesday, 8:00 US MDT, 10:00 US EDT, 16:00 CET, 21:30 IST

Current: Meeting is set for May 5 as above. Invitation to Members was sent.

### **WG-28 Physics**

Background:

WG-28 is AAPM, Medical Physicists. They are often tasked with reading DCS in the purchase process.

### **ACTION-Stephen**

Will send follow-up to WG-28 together with WG-02.

### **3. Next Sup 209 T-con:**

(Wednesdays, starting times below. Invitation for April 1 – June 24 has been sent – April meetings listed in detail below.)

#### **April 15, 2020**

4:00 USA MDT, 6:00 USA EDT. 12:00 CET, 15:30 IST  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/966607317>

#### **April 22, 2020**

4:00 USA MDT, 6:00 USA EDT. 12:00 CET, 15:30 IST  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/966607317>

#### **April 29, 2020**

4:00 USA MDT, 6:00 USA EDT. 12:00 CET, 15:30 IST  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/966607317>

### **4. Next Sup 209 F2F meeting:**

To be scheduled at a later meeting.

**5. WG-06 meeting schedule in 2020:**

June 15-19, 2020, Web Mtg or MITA HQ, Arlington, VA, USA-to be decided

Antje noted that Sup 209 will not be ready for WG-06 at the June meeting

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

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

**6. Old business – none**

**7. New business – Discussion: Questions for Reviewers**

Stephen suggested that – based on his experience - to ask the review of a draft supplement of 260 pages may be too much of a job because most people are overworked. Could we offer a few pointed questions to get them started on the review?

Bruno concurred and suggested we should emphasize that the 260 pages of the Supplement does not mean that everyone's DCS will now be that long. Likely only the parts of the template would be included that represents the services offered. The fewer services the shorter the DCS.

Antje concurred that for each modality generally only a subset applies. Further she noted that most will not have to cover the webservices as most do not offer it.

**ACTION - Antje**

She will add this point in to the presentation.

**8. Adjournment**

The call was adjourned at 4:50 US MDT.

Reported by Stephen Vastagh

Report reviewed by DICOM legal counsel: CRS, 2020-04-10