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Requirements Gathering / GotoMeeting, Geneva

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Next meeting

The next meeting will be April 30 via GotoMeeting:

07:00 am - 09:00 am in United States

01:00 pm - 03:00 pm in France 09:00 pm - 11:00 pm in Autralia

Minutes

The presentation was provided to participants after the meeting.

Eric Cohen is based in the United States and the inventor of XBRL-GL and has been involved in many standardisation efforts for accounting.

Frederique Danjon is based in France and leads the ADN Compta project which uses UN/CEFACT messages for archiving.

Glen Hasselman is based in the Australia and the author of an accounting software "cloud" to small and medium enterprises (see http://www.freeaccountingsoftware.com.au).

Benoît Marchal is based in Belgium and consults on the ADN Compta project.

After a round of introductions, Benoît explains the internal procedures used in the UN/CEFACT, the software tools available to communicate information and in the end a presentation of the JournalBook project as well as the spirit in which it fits and the interaction it has with other messages already issued (see slides).

Eric explains that in the process of using XBRL-GL, different types of profiles have been defined: involved in details, receivables, payables.

He reminds us a little of the historical facts and the reasons for the development of standards in the areas of accounting, auditing and tax administrations

The OECD has developed different standards, SAF-T (for tax administration), SAF-P (for Payroll) or SAFAA (for an accounting domain).

The ISO raised an interest on ERP and audit information. A meeting is also planned in Seoul in July on the standard ISO / TC247.

He offers benefit of the project to explore possible bridges between XBRL and UN-XML and to publish a suitable profile.

Glen explains that the software is multi-users cloud software. The software stores and transmits data using an XBRL based format that is originally based on XBRL-GL but since this format have changed. I'll call it fasxbrlgl. The software only accepts data in fasxbrlgl format so it has been necessary that all data and transactions are described in fasxbrlgl. He encountered the mains issues in the implementation of fasxbrlgl. He would be interested in a convergence of standard, languages, etc.