QAI Steering Committee Meeting #8

Held by video call, Wednesday May 5th, 2023

Participants:

Christian Paterson

Kevin Bernatek

Martin Alvarez

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QAI registered organisations:

(Reminder: Quorum requires 30% of voting organisations to be present)

- Represented (21% of registered organisations --> Quorum is **NOT** achieved)
    - Famobi
    - Huawei
    - Vonage
- Not represented
    - Alliance Tech
    - CTIC
    - Engineering
    - ICOL
    - Lemon
    - Olisto
    - Open Track
    - Orange Business Services
    - Santillana
    - University of Ioannina (Greece)
- Excused
    - FRVR

Notes:

- Status of the W3C MiniApp specifications

    - The W3C Technical Architecture Group reviewed the specs and detected that the MiniApp Packaging document needs some changes to guarantee security. In discussion to solve this challenge.
    - New proposal, MiniApp Components is a document with the specification of the elements to generate a MiniApp.
    - JS-FA, ArkTS, Atomic Services are technologies already considered in the specifications.

- W3C MiniApp workshop and student hackathon held in Spain, March 09

    - You can have a look at the [video report](#).
    - Over 100 attendees in the presentations, 30 in a coding hackathon with 11 teams competing.
    - Supported by W3C Spain, local authorities, university, and companies.

- Web technologies for applications event planned for Paris, June 13

    - Endorsed by W3C, Systematic and OW2

- A morning of seminars for industry experts, an afternoon code challenge for students.
- There is one speaker slot still open, both Famobi and Vonage are considering the possibility of speaking.
- Both Famobi and Vonage are considering the possibility of sponsoring.
- Christian asks that everyone make an effort to promote the event: (https://systematic-paris-region.org/evenement/web-technologies-for-applications-workshop-and-coding-contest/)

- QAI scope and name

  - Huawei propose that the QAI scope be broadened to cover the full W3C MiniApp scope rather than being limited to just Quick Apps. The justification is threefold:
    - Enable QAI participants to work on a broader range of MiniApp technologies, such as MiniPrograms, Atomic Services, etc.
    - Better align with the W3C MiniApp Working Group in order to facilitate further opportunities for mutual support.
    - Attract new participants to QAI, positioning QAI as the "go to place" for MiniApp experience sharing, use case exploration and code collaboration opportunities.
  - To visibly mark the scope change, it is also proposed to change our name from *OW2 Quick App Initiative* to *OW2 MiniApp Initiative*.
  - Both the scope change and the name change were agreed unanimously during the call, however since the call did not reach quorum, an online vote will be held.

- Industry / academia challenges

  - Some insight was provided about the challenges currently running; notably the business ideation challenge being answered by University College Cork (Ireland) and LUT University (Finland).
    - The output deliverables will be shortly made public using a creative commons license on the QAI portal.
  - It is reminded that Huawei offers to *registered* QAI participants the possibility to co-organise a MiniApp related challenge.
    - Vonage express some interest in doing this in H2.
    - Startin'blox and the e Foundation currently co-organise a technical challenge each.

- Participant news

  - Vonage remain very interested in Quick Apps and are beta testing their JavaScript SDK (which can be found here: https://www.npmjs.com/package/@vonage/client-sdk)
  - Famobi invite QAI people to visit them during GamesCom in Germany, 3rd week of August
  - Christian informs that FRVR have decided to "pause" their participation to QAI whilst they focus resources on a high priority project.

Useful links

- eMail lists
  - General public: quickapp@ow2.org
  - Registered participants: quickapp-registered@ow2.org
  - Core team: quickapp-team@ow2.org
- Collaboration
  - GitHub: https://github.com/ow2-quick-app-initiative
  - GitLab: https://gitlab.ow2.org/quick-app-initiative/quick-app-initiative
- Discussions and chat
  - Rocket.Chat: https://rocketchat.ow2.org/group/QAI-Town-Square
  - Twitter: https://twitter.com/OW2QuickApps