

Spring 2019 UEFI Plugfest

April 8-12
Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Bellevue
Bellevue, Washington

Events and Logistics Package

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Greetings!

The Spring 2019 UEFI Plugfest will take place April 8-12, 2019 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Bellevue in Bellevue, Washington.

Join the event to learn about upcoming UEFI specifications and new trends and opportunities for UEFI technologies. Test your products with others in the UEFI ecosystem, catch-up with fellow members and meet new members.

To learn more about UEFI Plugfests view the What is a UEFI Plugfest? - Video.

Please take the time to read through the below sections. If you have any questions about the event contact: events@uefi.org.

Power Requirements:

Each room has two 20Amp outlets with 120 volts. For additional power requirements, please contact events@uefi.org

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1. New Spring 2019 UEFI Plugfest Fees and Rules

UEFI Forum is charging registration fees to help defray the rising costs of the Plugfests. Fees are as follows:

- US \$150 for Promoters, Contributors and Adopters
- US \$100 for Individual Adopters

The fee will allow for a more predictable outcome in terms of helping forecast attendance and more accurately estimate event costs. For more details on the Spring 2019 UEFI Plugfest Fees and Rules click here.

2. Hotel Information

Please note that UEFI Forum's room block is now past the cut-off date. If you would like to reserve a room at the hotel's prevailing rates, please visit <u>their website</u>.

Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Bellevue

3225 158th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA 98008 425-644-2500

Parking for guests and for day meeting attendees is free. Hotel Wi-Fi is complimentary. Guests staying at the hotel receive daily breakfast.

3. Shipping & Storage Information

If you are shipping hardware to the event, please have all packages mailed to arrive at the hotel **no earlier than Friday, April 5, 2019**. The shipment must be addressed to the guest responsible for claiming the parcel at the Hotel. Parcels should be addressed to:

Guest Name
Date of Arrival
2019 Spring UEFI Plugfest
C/O Embassy Suites Hotel Seattle-Bellevue
3225 158th Ave SE
Bellevue, WA 98008

The Hotel requires advanced notice of the shipment and number of boxes. Boxes should be numbered 1 of 5, 2 of 5, 3 of 5, etc. Deliveries or outgoing shipments of more than (5) five boxes will be assessed a handling fee of \$5.00 per box and \$100.00 per pallet by the Hotel.

The Sales Office must be notified in advance to assure proper acceptance of these items (email: Kitty.Kuhnly@hilton.com or, call the Hotel directly at +1-425-644-2500 and let the agent know).

Any large boxes or any materials requiring handling and delivery will be assessed an additional \$250.00 flat fee. Boxes left behind one week will be discarded.

At the end of the event, each company must schedule their own shipment and pickup at the hotel with your choice of shipping vendor.

4. General Event Schedule

A copy of the Spring 2019 UEFI Plugfest Agenda and Session Abstracts may be found here: https://uefi.org/events/upcoming

State of UEFI: A representative of the UEFI Forum Board provides a welcome address, overview of the week's activities, goals of the event, updates on the latest UEFI Forum specifications and more.

Sessions: The opportunity to hear from member companies and their experts on the various applications of UEFI technology and on UEFI technology developments in general.

Speaker's Office Hours: Most of the speakers will be available to answer questions or continue the discussion in the main ballroom on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:00-4:00 pm.

5. Welcome Reception

Tuesday, April 9 from 6:00-7:30pm

Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Atrium

Food: Popcorn, Fresh Vegetable Platter, Cheese & Fruit Board, and Spring Rolls

Beverages: Three drink tickets per person (deluxe brands, domestic beers, house wines, soft drinks)

6. Social Event: The Parlor Billiards – Sponsored by Intel

Wednesday, April 10 at 6:00 – 9:00pm The Parlor Bellevue Lincoln Square (third floor) 700 Bellevue Way NE Suite 300 Bellevue, WA 98004 425.289.7000

Food Served: Mexican Grill buffet

Beverages: Bottomless sodas, coffee, tea, beer, and wine. Liquor available for purchase. **Activities**: Reserved Lounge with Billiards, Foosball, Giant Jenga, Shuffleboard and Ping-Pong

tables.

Directions and Parking:

I-405 Southbound:

- -Take the 8th St. exit Westbound
- -Continue on 8th St (LH Lane) to Bellevue Way
- -Turn left onto Bellevue Way (stay in far LH lane)

- -Take your first left, which will take you into Lincoln Square (you will pass the Westin entrance on your right)
- -Take your next left (follow the (P) parking signs)
- -You will go down a slight slope and approach a stop sign
- -Take a left at the stop sign into the parking garage

Take the North elevator to the second floor

Take escalator to the third floor

I-405 Northbound:

- -Take the 8th St exit Westbound
- -Continue on 8th St. (LH Lane) to Bellevue Way
- -Take a left onto Bellevue Way (stay in far LH lane)
- -Take your first left which will take you into Lincoln Square (you will pass the Westin entrance on your right)
- -Take the next left (follow the (P) parking signs)
- -You will go down a slight slope and approach a stop sign
- -Take a left at the stop sign into the parking garage
- -Take the North elevator to the second floor
- -Take escalator to the Third Floor

Parking: The Lincoln Square provides complementary parking for three hours with validation. There is no charge after 5pm. You can access the parking garage from Bellevue Way or from NE 8th St.



The Parlor is located on the Third floor of the shopping center

There is a public transportation option to get to the evening event, but <u>Uber</u> or carpooling will be faster options.

Bus 271: 150th Ave SE & SE Eastgate Way, Bellevue WA Closest Transit Center to the Parlor: NE 4th and 105th Avenue http://www.chooseyourwaybellevue.org/bus

7. Testing and Testing Schedules

Each company will need to reserve one or more rooms for testing. Please provide your confirmation number to events@uefi.org to be placed on the testing room floor if you have not already done so.

The number of rooms reserved is up to each company and are paid for by the designated company representative upon check-in. The UEFI Forum and company sponsors provide a common meeting room, daily luncheon buffet and light breakfast for local attendees (rooms include breakfast).

The hotel will provide tables and chairs in testing rooms upon request. The hotel will charge a small service fee for this setup. This can be arranged in advance of the event or upon arrival. Once on-site, please provide your test room number with the event registration desk.

Improvements This Year (new)

This year the UEFI Forum is attempting to improve the registration and testing component of the Plugfest by improving the tools and mechanisms for registering and scheduling testing at the event. The result is an improvement in the registration process, where attendees can define their role at the event during registration. This will allow event organizers to schedule testing immediately after registration closes through the start of the event.

An additional change made in the registration questions, is that the UEFI Forum will no longer ask for specifics of the products under test, but rather will allow the testers and test rooms to communicate directly about their testing plans without UEFI involvement.

What follows are the definitions we are using in the registration process to help assist us in streamlining and improving the event experience.

What will your role be at this event?

UEFI Plugfests have several roles of attendees, as associated with testing at the event. Please review the content below to determine what type of testing you will perform and what your role will be at the event? These questions will also be on the Plugfest Event Registration to help simplify and add flexibility into the testing schedules.

Testing is performed in the following manner:

1. Test Rooms are established by one company/group as a 'base of operations' for testing. Test Rooms usually contain systems or large-scale hardware environments for testing (i.e. servers, work stations, or

sample systems with specific software load outs). The Test Rooms are not mobile, due to the nature of the contents.

- **2. Testing Teams** are the second group of test attendees. Testers carry products (hardware and software) from test room to test room for testing their product on the hardware made available in those test rooms. Testing Teams, therefore, are mobile.
- **3. Non-Testing Attendees** are event attendees, who are not primarily interested in testing at the event. Some typical Non-Testing Attendees include UEFI board members or UEFI Forum members that may only be presenting or attending only for watching the presentations.

Definitions of the UEFI Plugfest Roles

Test Room Owner (Registration Closed) - Each Test Room is a room at the venue, which has been rented by the Test Room Owner to act as the fixed location for testing. The Test Room Owner is the individual responsible for this room and is the point of contact for anyone wishing to visit or test in the room.

Test Room Staff - Some test rooms have enough hardware, technology or just complexity to require more than a single individual to properly run the testing to be accomplished in the test room. Test Room Staff are the additional people (other than the Test Room Owner), staffing the room for testing. While every test room should have only one owner, there is no limit to the number of Test Room Staff members.

Testing Team Lead - The test teams are the mobile element of the testing process, carrying products to the fixed test rooms for evaluation. The Test Team Lead is the point of contact for the test team, acting as team lead or at least the team schedule manager.

Test Team Staff - The Test Teams are the mobile element of the testing process, carrying products to the fixed test rooms for evaluation. Like the test rooms, a Test Team may contain any number of members, and any member of the Test Team, other than the Lead, is considered part of the Test Team Staff. **Non-Testing Attendee** - At a UEFI Plugfest, there are often attendees, whose focus at the event is something other than testing. In the past we have had Keynote Speakers, members of the UEFI Board, future hosts of UEFI Plugfest events, technical session speakers, software and open source community members/leaders, special guests and others, who attended the event, but were not participants in testing. This role is to register these individuals, for the event, without expectation of involvement in the testing aspect of the event.

<u>Testing Schedules</u> (new)

Testing schedules will be digital this year and made available through a secure tool called SCHED – details to come.

8. Testing Resources

UEFI Self Certification Test (SCT)

The latest SCTs will be available on the UEFI.org site to UEFI members only

Current and old UEFI SCTs starting from UEFI 2.6a and earlier can be found

here: https://uefi.org/testtools

Binaries for UEFI event will be posted under UTWG group documents section (UEFI.org login as member).

https://members.uefi.org/apps/org/workgroup/utwg/documents.php

Source for SCTs on https://github.com/tianocore/edk2-test

During the Plugfest, the UEFI Test Working Group (UTWG) would like to collect UEFI SCT data on systems for the purposes of improving the SCTs. Please submit all UEFI SCT test failures in the tests themselves to UTWG@uefi.org. All data will be held in confidence and destroyed after review.

Also available

Linux UEFI Validation test suite (LUV) at https://01.org/linux-uefi-validation Linux Firmware Test suite from Ubuntu at FWTS live

Other resources

There will also be available OS dvds for install at the Intel UEFI SSG room as well as some UEFI pxe servers.

Attending IHVs may also sign up to individual room slots for plugin card testing.

9. Local Amenities and Attractions

Airport information: Nearest airport to the Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Bellevue is Seattle-Tacoma Internal Airport (SEA). http://www.portseattle.org/Sea-Tac/Pages/default.aspx

For information about local events in the area, please go to the Visit Bellevue site: http://www.visitbellevuewashington.com/events/

Embassy Suites by Hilton Seattle Bellevue is conveniently located off I-90 and I-405 interchange at the center of the I-90 Business Corridor. For a list of things to do, please visit http://bit.ly/2nTWsSV.