

UEFI Fall 2023 Developers Conference and Plugfest

October 9 – 12, 2023 Embassy Suites by Hilton Hillsboro Hillsboro, OR

Events and Logistics Package

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The UEFI Fall 2023 Developers Conference and Plugfest will take place October 9 – October 12, 2023 at the Embassy Suites Hillsboro in Hillsboro, Oregon. UEFI Plugfests provide the opportunity to test your platforms, devices, and firmware, while also attending educational/technical sessions and networking opportunities with industry's most prolific thought-leaders.

This is an in-person only event. The event will not be broadcast, and remote attendance is not permitted.

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 front room has three 22Amp outlets with 120 volts. For additional power requirements, please contact events@uefi.org

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1. UEFI Fall 2023 Developers Conference and Plugfest Fees and Rules

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

US \$100 for Promoters and Contributors

If you are an adopter member interested

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 Fall 2023 UEFI DevCon and Plugfest Fees and Rules click here.

2. Hotel Information

The Embassy Suites Hillsboro has offered a discounted rate of \$176 for UEFI Plugfest attendees. To reserve your room for the Plugfest please <u>click here</u>. Rooms at this discounted rate are available until Friday, September 8, 2023.

Embassy Suites by Hilton Portland Hillsboro

9355 NE Tanasbourne Dr, Hillsboro, OR 97124 (503) 718-0007

Parking for guests and for day meeting attendees is complimentary. 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 10/1**. The shipment must be addressed to the guest responsible for claiming the parcel at the Hotel.

Arrangements for delivery of packages should be made through the sales office. Receiving, handling and shipping charges may apply. No COD packages will be accepted. The Hotel policies on safe package handling are based on advice from the United State Postal Service (USPS) and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Advance notice of deliveries is appreciated by our receiving department. In order to ensure efficient handling of any materials you may be shipping to the hotel, they ask that you clearly label all packages with the following information:

Guest Name
UEFI Fall 2023 Plugfest
of boxes
Embassy Suites Portland Hillsboro
9355 NE Tanasbourne Drive.
Hillsboro, OR 97124

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 Agenda and Session Abstracts will be available soon. UEFI Developers Conference agenda typically include the following presentations:

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.

5. Social Event: KingPins Beaverton – Sponsored by Arm

Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00 – 9:00pm

KingPins Beaverton 2725 SW Cedar Hills Blvd Beaverton, OR 97005 503-646-1116

Directions:

For directions from the Embassy Suites Portland Hillsboro, please <u>click here</u>. <u>Uber</u>, <u>Lyft</u> or carpooling are recommended transportation options.

6. Testing and Testing Schedules

If you have registered a Test Room, please note that a room reservation is required. Please email events@uefi.org with your reservation information once it is made to be placed on the testing room floor.

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 snacks for local attendees (rooms include breakfast).

Each hotel suite comes equipped with a large table and counter in the living room space. The hotel can provide additional 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.

Testing Registration

Attendees will be asked to clearly 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.

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.

Standard Attendee - Select this option if you are not actively involved in a testing team. Standard Attendees can attend all UEFI Fall 2023 Developers Conference & Plugfest activities, including visiting the testing rooms.

Testing Schedules

Initial testing schedules will be distributed in the coming weeks.

7. 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 in the UTWG group documents section (<u>UEFI</u> Member website). Join the UTWG: https://members.uefi.org/workgroup/index

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.

Linux Resources

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.

8. Local Amenities and Attractions

Airport information: Nearest airport to the Embassy Suites by Hilton Portland Hillsboro is <u>Portland Internal Airport</u> (PDX).

For information about local events in the area, please go to the <u>Travel Portland</u> site.

Embassy Suites by Hilton Portland Hillsboro is conveniently located off Highway 26, a mile from the <u>Streets of Tanasbourne</u> shopping mall and less than five miles from Intel and Nike World Headquarters. Downtown Portland is a 15-minute drive away.