



# UEFI Forum Update

UEFI Spring Plugfest – March 29-31, 2016  
Presented by Dong Wei (The UEFI Forum)

# Agenda



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# Organization Update



# The UEFI Forum

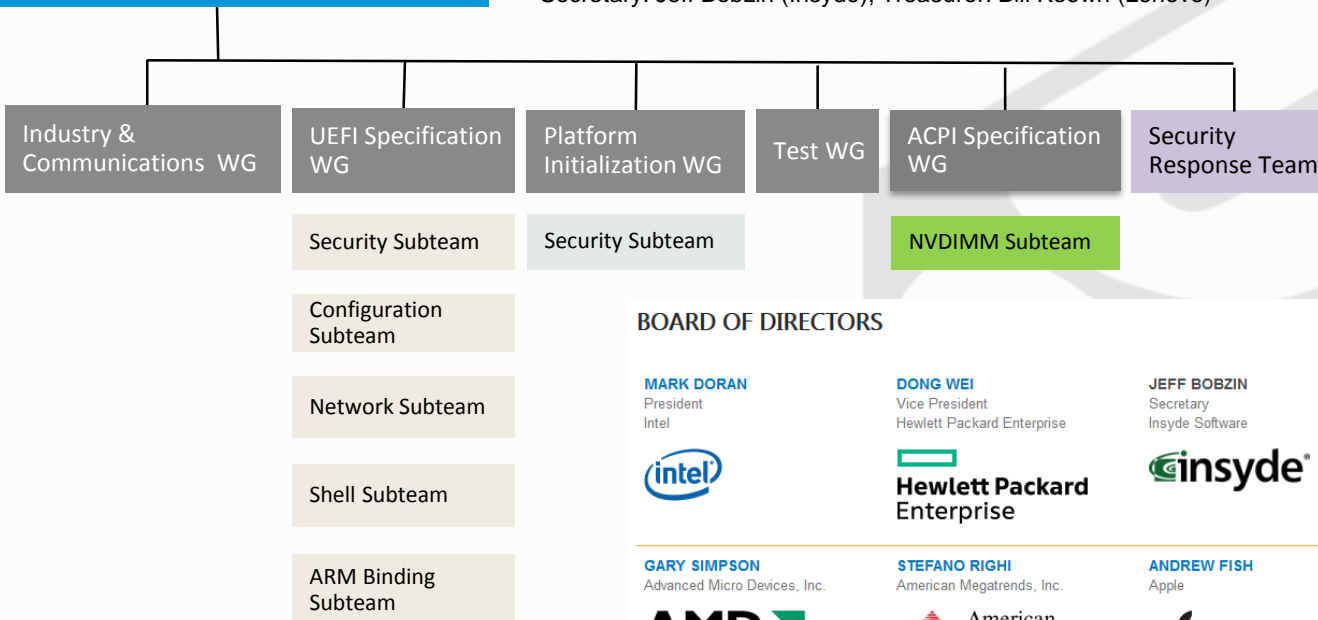


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# Other Updates



- Updated UEFI/DMTF Work Register
  - Added Redfish coverage





# Specification Update



# Latest Specifications



- UEFI Specifications v2.6 (1/2016)
- ACPI Specification v6.1 (1/2016)
- UEFI Shell Specification v2.2 (1/2016)
- PI Packaging Specification v1.1 (1/2016)
- UEFI PI Specification v1.5 (Q2'2016)

# What's Not So New...



- But need to be tested
  - UEFI 2.5 Network Enhancements
    - Boot from HTTP
      - HTTP API
      - HTTP Helper API
      - DNS v4/6
      - RAM Disk Device Pat
    - WiFi
      - EAP Support
    - TLS
    - Bluetooth
    - REST Protocol





# What's New



- UEFI v2.6
  - Network Enhancements
    - Wireless MAC Connection II Protocol
    - RAM Disk Protocol
  - RAS
    - CPER Extension for ARM
  - User Interface
    - HII Font Ex, Glyph Generator, Image Ex and Image Generator Protocols
  - IO
    - SD/eMMC Pass Thru Protocol
    - Non-identity Mapped Address Translations in PCI Root Bridge and IO Protocols

# What's New



- ACPI v6.1
  - Persistent Memory
    - NFIT Updates
    - NFIT Root Device \_DSM
  - RAS
    - APEI Extension for ARM
    - ERST/EINJ max wait time
  - Management
    - Graceful Shutdown Clarifications
    - Wireless Power Calibration Device
  - IO
    - Interrupt-signaled Events

# What's New



- UEFI Shell v2.2
  - Network updates
  - Allow Execute() to not nest new shells
  - Add command line parameter to auto exit
  - New dh features
  - Setvar command re-factor
  - New command features for disconnect, comp, dmem, cls, reset, pci, bcfg, dmpstore

# What's New



- PI Packaging 1.1
  - Remove XSD reference
  - Ability to convey settings with discrete subsettings
  - Localized name to a package
  - Ability to convey detailed produces information
  - Ability to convey usage for PCDs from binary modules
  - Ability to convey detailed consumes information
  - Ability to convey PCD display information
  - Ability to convey enumeration-like information for PCD
  - Abstract type support
  - Ability to convey detailed BY\_START/TO\_START interaction
  - Ability to convey product limit information about Protocol/PPI/GUIDs



# SCT Update



# Latest SCTs



- UEFI SCT 2.4B
- Recommend FWTS Release 15.08.00 as ACPI SCT 5.1
- Under Development
  - UEFI SCT 2.5
  - FWTS Release as ACPI SCT 6.0
  - Alpha now, Beta@US Plugfest
  - Release by the end of 2016

# SCTs for Taipei Plugfest



- UEFI
  - SCT 2.5 Alpha
  - Binaries/2016TaipeiPlugfest is located on the master branch of <https://github.com/UEFI/UEFI-SCT.git>
- ACPI
  - FWTS 16.03.00
  - <https://wiki.ubuntu.com/FirmwareTestSuite/ReleaseNotes/16.03.00>



# PCIe Option ROM





# PCIe Option ROM Alternative Architecture



**Problem statement: New server systems are in market based on alternate compute architectures such as ARM, MIPS and Power... today's PCIe add-in cards are unable to support this increased diversity and choice**

# PCIe Option ROM

## Alternative Architecture



- X86 support already exists
  - Legacy BIOS
  - UEFI Native
- How many additional images are acceptable?
- Three options to support alternative architectures (in order of preference)
  - EBC Option ROM format
    - True cross architecture solution – adds a single image, could replace existing
  - Native ports to all target architectures
    - Requires multiple additional images and grows validation matrix too much
  - X86 emulation to run existing native option ROM format
    - Challenging during early boot and likely to incur compatibility issues
- Call to action: Connect with us here at the plugfest
  - Please attend the PCIe Option ROM Meeting  
(Room: This room (15F), Time: 15:00 (3:00 PM))



# Summary



# Summary



- The current State of the Forum is Strong
  - UEFI/ACPI are adopted on x64 Client and Server Systems
  - UEFI/ACPI are required for SB/SA/SBBR-compliant ARM Servers
- More opportunities in the IoT and embedded market
- Interests in more ISA bindings
  - Need to find a solution in the PCIe Option ROM space

Thanks for attending the  
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