



NCOIC Update to Members – February/March 2015

Cybersecurity Virtual Workshop Set for March 19

The NCOIC Cybersecurity IPT will host an online workshop as a follow-up to its successful October event, which focused on barriers and security concerns that inhibit interoperability in federated cloud environments for information exchange in disaster response scenarios. The March 19 workshop will expand and mature the understanding of barriers and possible solutions. Speakers will include Dr. Alenka Brown, president and chief scientist at McClure, Brown and Associates, and four presenters from the National Institute of Standards and Technology. NCOIC members will receive an invitation early in March. For more information, contact Cybersecurity IPT chair Andy Born at cybersecurity-chair@ncoic.org.

The Readout Report from the October 2014 Cybersecurity Workshop is available on the member website. The report summarizes the barriers identified in the workshop and discusses the recommended next steps for the Cybersecurity IPT. NCOIC members have been asked to submit comments, and the report will be publicly available before March 19.

U.S. County Leaders Learn about NCOIC Benefits

Tip Slater, NCOIC chief financial officer, made a presentation to county government executives from throughout the U.S. at the National Press Club in February. He described the consortium's work in promoting interoperability for NATO's information agency utilizing the unique NCOIC neutral legal environment. He talked about how NCOIC can use its incubation environment to evaluate the interoperability capabilities of different products and services. "We also have the experience and expertise in developing RFPs and strategic roadmaps that are linked to acquisition strategies," Slater told the attendees from County Executives of America (CEA).

Welcome to the Newest NCOIC Member

Kaltura Inc. www.Kaltura.com (representative: David Moton, Regional Director of Enterprise Sales)

New Business Target: North Carolina 911 Board

In February, NCOIC responded to an RFP from the State of North Carolina to help manage its RFP and acquisition process for establishing a statewide next generation 911 capability. In addition, the consortium is working with several agencies on a process for evaluating the interoperability and implementation characteristics of potential systems prior to acquiring them.

Emergency Services Playbook Nearing Completion

The Net-centric Services Working Group has jointly developed a draft Emergency Services Playbook with the OASIS Emergency Management Technical Committee. The playbook is based on the NCOIC's Emergency Services Operational Net-centric Pattern and is a companion document to the pattern. The draft playbook is now in internal Working Group review. All interested members are invited to participate in the Services Working Group's development of the draft playbook. For more information, contact chair Paula Moss at services-chair@ncoic.org.

RRI Member Capabilities Catalogued

NCOIC issued in October an internal RFP for Rapid Response Incubator (RRI) capabilities and potential services that could be used in solving a customer's request or helping in a rapid response to a disaster. Multiple responses were submitted, highlighting the outstanding capabilities of members. This set of capabilities provides NCOIC with a superb baseline for potential contracts using the RRI.

Definitions Document is Latest RRI Development

The Cloud Computing Working Group has prepared a set of roles, responsibilities and authorities definitions for participants in disaster response operations as a part of the continued development of the Rapid Response Incubator (RRI). RRI development continues with substantial member interest and participation. For more information, contact chairs Mel Greer and Colleen Dealey at cloud-chair@ncoic.org.

Are you LinkedIn with NCOIC?

NCOIC is focused on expanding its social media presence and encourages all members to help share news and benefits with their connections. The consortium's LinkedIn site is currently being ramped up. To check it out and join the group, go to <https://www.linkedin.com/company/network-centric-operations-industry-consortium-ncoic->.