

Report to the JA-SIG Board

uPortal 2.0

According to Ken Weiner, uPortal 2.0 remains "on target" for release at or soon after the Destin conference. This means the final version should be available for the conference.

One objective is to further develop "user management" before the release.

The testing at Sun's iForce Center has been marginally successful. Ken has scaling data for the Apache/Tomcat combination. He also ran uPortal under iPlanet's Application Server.

uPortal Relationships

In a meeting November 21st with Prometheus Director Bo Davis and Chief Technology Officer Mark Resmer, Bo Davis said Prometheus would have a press release before or during the JA-SIG Winter Conference saying Prometheus will be using uPortal.

Mark Resmer commented he is meeting with MIT's OKI staff Wednesday, November 28th to review their proposed APIs. We will review these with Peter while at Destin. I discussed with Bo and Mark what action JA-SIG should take if the APIs being developed by MIT are different from those implemented in uPortal (specifically authentication and directory). Mark suggested that uPortal not delay its release to accommodate APIs that are not yet completed.

Meetings with Overture concerning integration and SAP concerning learning objects are scheduled for next week. A meeting with VES contractor Choice Solutions is scheduled for Destin.

Observations

There are 134 registered attendees at the conference. Prometheus will now be sending key people also. Carl reports about one-half are attending pre-conference seminars.