



SA Forum Quarterly Newsletter

The Service Availability™ Forum is a consortium of industry-leading communications and computing companies working together to foster an ecosystem that enables the use of commercial off-the-shelf building blocks in the creation of high availability network infrastructure products, systems and services.

[President's Message](#)

[New Educational Materials](#)

[Upcoming Events](#)

[Recent News](#)

[Member Spotlight](#)

[Workgroup Projects](#)

[Join SA Forum](#)

President's Message

The SA Forum has been very active in 2007, and we plan to deliver exciting developments throughout the second half of the year. We've already launched our self-guided training materials. These downloadable tutorials allow users to train themselves on SA Forum specs from the comfort of their own desk, at their own pace, and on their own schedule. We are also committed to keeping our specifications up-to-date, relevant, and accessible to the industry.

As I have mentioned in the past, SA Forum Hardware Platform Interface (HPI) has been an impressive market success with many platform vendors providing HPI services as part of their platforms, and many Independent Software Vendors (ISVs) are providing service availability middleware that utilizes such services. Building on this success, I believe 2007 will be a turning point for AIS (Application Interface Specification) with multiple implementations of the most recent specifications, setting the stage for wider adoption of this important standard by the industry in the months to come. As I speak with potential users and providers of software developed to comply with AIS standard, the question is no longer "tell me about AIS", but more like "tell me about AIS product roadmap and compliant product plans."

The industry's interest in SA Forum and its interfaces is ever increasing. This is exemplified by new members joining to the Forum. Most recently, we announced the addition of two new members (read more about them below), and will soon be announcing the availability of our first compliance test suite. SA Forum members will be participating in several upcoming events and we hope you'll visit us at the events listed below. We also plan to release updated specifications this fall, and encourage you to join us in the development of these specifications.

Asif Naseem
SA Forum President
anaseem@goahead.com

New! SA Forum Education Materials

The SA Forum Extended Training Materials were designed to enable self-guided training and accelerated understanding of the SA Forum specifications. These 26 individual lessons provide an in-depth technical look at the SA Forum's Hardware Platform Interface (HPI), Application Interface Specification (AIS), and systems management capabilities.

Individual lessons cover a variety of topics, including:

- Availability Management Framework (AMF)
- Information Model Management

- HPI to AdvancedTCA Mapping
- And many more

Learn More: Download the [SA Forum Education Material here](#).

Upcoming Events

NXTcomm

June 18-21, 2007
Chicago, Illinois, USA

Visit SA Forum member companies at NXTcomm!

- | | |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcatel-Lucent • Emerson Network Power • Enea • Ericsson • ESO Technologies • GoAhead Software • Huawei • Intel • Motorola | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEC • Nokia Siemens Networks • Nortel Networks • OpenClovis • Performance Technologies • Radisys • Solid Information Technology • Sun Microsystems |
|--|---|

To learn more about NXTcomm, please visit: www.nxtcommshow.com

AdvancedTCA Summit Europe

September 18-19, 2007
Disney Newport Bay Club – Paris, France
SA Forum Booth #20
www.euroatcasummit.com

Service Availability Forum™ Members Meeting

Hosted by Ericsson
September 25-27, 2007
Stockholm, Sweden

AdvancedTCA Summit

October 16-18, 2007
Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara, CA
SA Forum Booth # 215
www.atcasummit.com

Recent News

- SA Forum Press Releases:
 - [Mountain View Alliance Inaugural Comms Ecosystem Conference Surpasses Expectations](#)
 - [SA Forum Announces Fourth Annual International Service Availability Symposium Program](#)
 - [SA Forum Introduces Self-Guided Training Materials to Speed Understanding and Implementation of the SA Forum Specs](#)
- Articles
 - [Achieve High Availability in VoIP: An Implementation Example--Part I, *Network Systems DesignLine*](#)
 - [Achieve High Availability in VoIP: An Implementation Example--Part II, *Network Systems DesignLine*](#)
 - [Standard Building Blocks Accelerate the Deployment of IMS Services, *RTC Magazine*](#)

Member Spotlight

The SA Forum welcomes two new members this quarter:

- [embeddedMIND](#)
- [Sonus Networks](#)

SA Forum 2007 Projects

The SA Forum continues working on many exciting activities during 2007. Join the SA Forum and bring your potential projects and ideas, contribute to specification work and participate in the promotion of the COTS ecosystem.

Technical Work:

- Software management
- Java extensions
- Security
- Modular HPI

Marketing Work:

- Education program
- Industry outreach

To download the most current SA Forum specifications, please visit www.saforum.org/specification.

Join SA Forum

SA Forum members enjoy the benefits of early access to draft specifications, company recognition on SA Forum marketing materials, and the ability to register products in the SA Product Registry.

To join the SA Forum, contact SA Forum Administration at admin@saforum.org or visit www.saforum.org/join.

To subscribe to the SA Forum newsletter, please [click here](#).

To unsubscribe from this newsletter distribution list, please [click here](#).