

Ecode Networks Auditing at the MEF Members Meeting in Frankfurt



MEF Quarterly and Annual Meetings are the gathering place of the increasingly diverse membership community, this year 9 new members have joined it, where all participants have the chance to be informed about the active work taking place across more than 40 projects currently underway, brainstorm and initiate new work in support of MEF's vision, conduct LSO Hackathons and meet the MEF colleagues and representatives of partner organizations from all around the globe, such as open source projects and SDOs, and for the new member companies and participants it's also a chance to have a good on-board and education.

After the success of the Los Angeles MEF Members Meeting, there is now more than 40 ongoing initiatives to advance the development of Third Network services, including on-demand services that are orchestrated across multiple provider networks. The vision to accelerate the industry transition is becoming more attractive and gains strong support and collaborations from many sectors actors such as industry players, service providers, technology vendors, open source projects, standards organizations.

MEF is focused on driving the development of agile, assured, and orchestrated Third Network services for the digital economy and the hyper-connected world.

Third Network services:

- Combine the agility & ubiquity of the Internet with the assurance & security of CE 2.0.
- Provide an on-demand experience with user-directed control over service capabilities & cloud connectivity.
- Are delivered over automated, virtualized, and interconnected networks powered by LSO, SDN, NFV, and CE 2.0.

But seen MEF is collaborating with different types of actors, the focus and major work areas contain other fields in addition to the third network services such as:

- **Third Network Services** - including orchestrated Layer 1-3 connectivity services (e.g., wavelengths, CE 2.0, and IP) and orchestrated Layer 4-7 cloud services (e.g., NFV-based virtual security, etc.).
- **LSO & Open APIs** - enabling orchestration across multiple provider networks and multiple technology domains (Packet WAN, Optical Transport, 5G, etc.) within provider networks.
- **Open Initiatives & Reference Implementations** - OpenLSO, OpenCS, LSO Hackathon, UNITE, MEFnet, MEF Software Developer Community.
- **Certification Programs for Services, Equipment, Professionals** - transitioning to an "orchestrated services" certification program and aligning equipment and professional certification programs with that.

EcodeNetworks was one of the 7 auditors at the meeting which was:

- **EcodeNetworks,**
- **AQUACOMMS,**
- **Cataworx,**
- **Dimetis,**
- **Infosim,**
- **Netrounds,**
- **Zeetta networks.**

