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The E.U. Electronic Freight Initiative and Its Software Engineering Framework

Date: Thursday, January 19, 2012 Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm Speaker: David A. Marca, OpenProcess, Inc. Agenda: Informal networking will begin at 11:30am. Presentation will begin at 12:00pm. Location: Promega BioPharmaceutical Technology Center 5445 E Cheryl Pkwy, Room Number: 122 Madison, WI 53711 Menu: Lunch meal provided: \$5 for IEEE members, \$10 for





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Abstract

The e-Freight Project is the next generation concept for electronic support of trade and transport throughout the E.U. It proposes a means for integrating and unifying the many and varied current developments for dealing with regulatory information management at both national and E.U. levels. The project will provide a unified solution allowing: a) business to submit regulatory information for both customs and transport, independent of mode or route, and b) authorities to share information on policy, operation, security, safety and risk management. This talk will give an overview of the e-Freight initiative, and present the prescribed software engineering approach. An overview of solution architecture, requirements specification, and application development will be discussed, and we will also look at how the software engineering methods are integrated into a unified framework through the automated development environment.

Biography

David A. Marca is president and founder of OpenProcess, Inc., a consulting firm specializing in strategic planning, systems analysis and design, and e-Business. David is also a certified faulty member for the University of Phoenix Online School, and is on the adjunct faulty of Edgewood College's School of Business and Computer Science Department. His six books and 27 papers cover e-Business, business process design, workflow, and software engineering. His latest book with the IEEE is "Open Process Frameworks: Patterns for the Adaptive e-Enterprise". David also holds a patent in workflow technology, and is a Senior Member of the IEEE.

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Recent Significant Changes to Patent Law

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Abstract

Protecting innovation in today's environment requires the consideration of intellectual property rights. A patent is often considered the most popular and concrete intellectual property right. This talk will discuss the basic requirements for the patentability of an invention, as well as various considerations to be mindful of during the patent process. In addition, some of the latest developments in patent law will be discussed. In particular, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act (AIA) will be reviewed. The AIA is a United States federal statute that was passed by Congress and signed into law on September 16, 2011. This law represents a significant change to the U.S. patent system since 1952, including key changes that can affect every inventor.

Biography

James Joyce is a patent attorney in the Madison office of Whyte, Hirschboeck, and Dudek. Mr. Joyce focuses his practice on patent law with technical expertise in the electrical, computer, software and mechanical fields. After receiving his B.S.E.E from the University of Wisconsin – Madison in 1995, Mr. Joyce practiced as an engineer for several years. Before leaving the engineering field to attend law school in 2002, he worked as both a field engineer and a project engineer. While working as a field engineer, Mr. Joyce was responsible for programming and troubleshooting various PLC/MMI controlled blending machines, fillers, and chillers. As a project engineer, Mr. Joyce designed building systems for the architectural and engineering firm Mead & Hunt. The various building systems included power, lighting, communication, security, and fire annunciation systems. Mr. Joyce graduated with honors from Franklin Pierce Law Center in 2005. Franklin Pierce Law Center, which is now incorporated with the University of New Hampshire, was the fourth ranked Intellectual Property School in the United States in 2011.

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by David Marca, at Promega	April 5, TBD		
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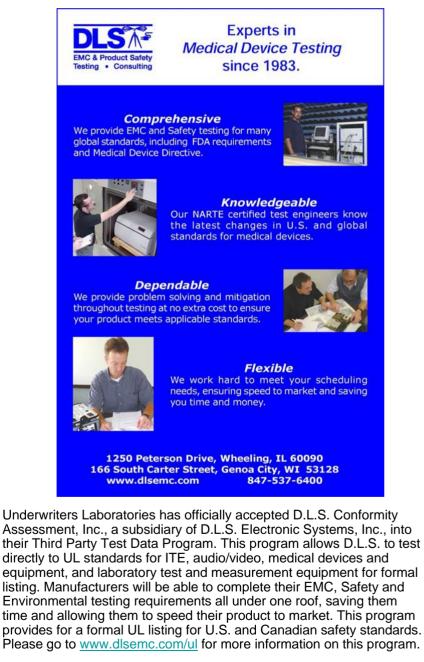
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