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The 2nd Workshop on VR Ecosystems and Standards Immersive Media Meets 5G



15-16 April 2019 Sony Studios, Culver City, CA, US







Welcome Address Don Eklund CTO, Sony Pictures Entertainment



Workshop Goals



- Examine next-generation immersive formats and services, including Virtual, Augmented & Mixed Reality, and investigate 5G business opportunities brought by immersive services
- Look at their requirements
- And see if these are met by available / emerging standards and formats
- Having useful, informative and fun discussions







1st Workshop, Santa Clara, 12/13 Dec '17











Conclusions 1st Workshop



- VR Quality needs better quality
- VR needs to be more interactive
- VR needs to be more social







What Has Happened Since Then?



- XR is the new VR
- VR came back to earth
- 5G is here

- Quality is indeed improving
- VR is indeed getting social
- Interactivity is increasing?







Outline



- 4 Sessions, each a half day
- A few questions after talk; discussion at end of Session;
- Discussion is the goal!

- First day ends with reception
- Demos during the lunches, reception and two breaks



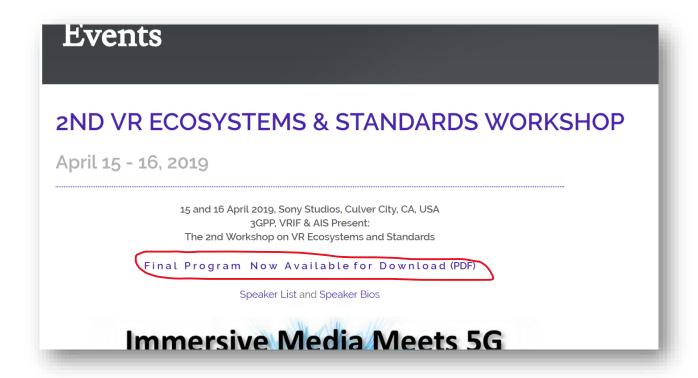




Program



A few last-minute updates; latest Program is online









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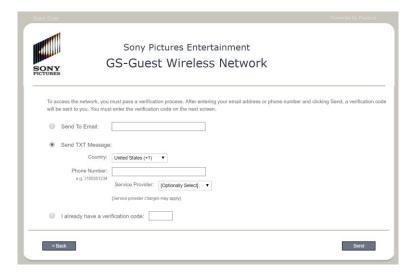
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 - If you insist:
- Bathrooms
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 - In the front behind the screen
- Emergency Evacuation
- Presentations will be made available!
 - In PDF, may be sanitized a bit











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Reception Host







Demonstrations

















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Hardware Ecosystem

• Martin Renschler

Qualcomm

• Gregory Jones

NVIDIA

Jan Söderström

Ericsson

• Jeff Solari

Intel

















Hardware and Ecosystem panel









The CHALLE5GE



• Ferhan Özkan XR First









Demo Pitches

























AIS Keynote



Gary Radburn – Advanced Imaging Society / Dell









Standards Ecosystem



Rob Koenen

• Danillo Graziosi MPEG / Sony US

• Brent Insko

Paul Higgs

• Ludovic Noblet

• Jyrki Penttinen

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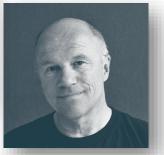
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Standardization panel



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Day 2 - 16 April 2019
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Logistics Day 2



- Updated Program available online
- Alethea Avramis replaces Antoine Cayrol (Atlas V)
- Demos during first break and lunch
- Lunch vouchers: get one from the registration table!
- WiFi: GS-Guest follow instructions

- Lunch from 12:50 to 13:50
- End between 17:30 and 17:45







Morning Keynote



• Scot Barbour, V.P. Production & Innovation at Innovation Studios, Sony









Recap - What Did We Learn?



- Hype Curves ...
 - VR is real, despite the deep trough it went through
 - 5G is here almost. Is it going to be as good as we all hope?
- HW keeps advancing
 - Functionality moving from SW to HW (e.g., computer Vision on the chip)
 - advances in rendering power are levelling off 🕾
 - Cloud (Edge) rendering may help. And "split computer vision"!
- Still need more quality
 - 8K nice but need to keep moving
 - Power and bandwidth challenges will remain
 - Latency crucial
 - Not just determined by visual but also motor cortex (10 ms!)
 - Need to be smart on what to send in which quality
- Headset wire moves from PC to Mobile device







Recap - What Did We Learn?



- Lots of efforts on moving beyond 3 DoF
- Industrial applications robust market;
 - Consumer more slowly but still growing
 - Cloud/Edge with thin client enables new business models but, still trying to understand which exactly
- Yes, Video is important. But we always hear in 360 ...







Recap - What Did We Learn?



- Restating the obvious ... standards still matter. A lot.
- Fragmentation hurts us all.
- Khronos 0.9 is out for feedback!
- Point Clouds are coming and leverage video coding
- Cloud rendering may alleviate differences in devices and help interoperability
- Need new low-latency codecs?
 - Do codecs need to be faster than framerates??
- Can't standards just work together better?
 - that's why we are here ...:-)
- What is the best approach for Volumetric?







A Sneak Preview



• Mauricio Aracena on behalf of Reception Host Ericsson









Service Providers / Operators



 Morgan Bouchet Armen Filipetyan

Orange Iconic Engine







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KPN



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Service providers & Operators panel



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Afternoon Keynote



- Amy Peck, CEO, Endeavor VR
- What Exactly Is the AR Cloud and Why Should We Care?









Content Providers

Alethea Avramis Atlas V

• Tim Porter Underminer Studios

Christina Heller Metastage

Esta Chiang8i

Sebastian Sylwan Felix & Paul Studios













Content providers panel





TIM PORTER
UNDERMINER STUDIOS



CHRISTINA HELLER
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- Hollywood and Silicon Valley are merging
 - Inventing new storytelling, set your audience engagement levels.
- Standardize mezzanine format (point clouds and meshes), compression, streaming, APIs, conformance, and platforms. Open source is nice to bootstrap but standards offer long term convergence.
- Users expect that smartphones will still exist, but we will all be wearing AR glasses
- Live events are very important
- Moving from one-off productions to mainstay/mainstream through partnerships and innovations
 - Across platforms and channels







- Exploring social/co-presence and High-immersion experiences
- Edge compute is key for AR/VR/XR. It will happen anyways.
 Comes in addition to the central cloud.
- Mobile Network Operators and Cable Operators looking to leverage their infrastructures and monetize AR/VR/XR communication and content consumption services over 5G. Collaboration levels and type of SLAs are yet to be defined.
- Application developers do not care about networking. Secondary considerations. They want reliable and consistent experience.







- Cable '10G' (G is for Gigabit/s) standards to provide high bandwidth and low latency.
- Ad agencies now directly go to immersive content creators.
- Build for how users will live tomorrow.
- Edge computes and 500Mbps allows location based experiences without computer backpacks. Also consider city-wide games, shared in-venue experience, real-time and non-real-time enterprise applications.







- Creating project with different versions (AR / VR / MR). Reuse assets across VR/AR/MR.
- We are past the uncanny valley (or not!). Volumetric is here to stay!
 - But what format?
 - Point cloud all the way?
 - Meshes?
- Beware of standardization timing! Don't be early, don't be late. Figure it out.







Conclusions ...



- Standards are important
 - Mezzanine format (point clouds), compression, streaming, APIs, conformance, platforms and... security.
- It's great to work with real people!

See you next year?







3rd Workshop?



- Do it?
- Will you come?
- A year from now, 18 months?
- Theme?







Survey



- A short survey will be sent out now
 - https://forms.gle/6EJJ3MRb3LPPmQh88
- Please complete it!
- May do it anonymously or may leave email if you want to be contacted.







Thanks!



- Sony Pictures Entertainment
 - Tomoko Kamimoto
 - Nicole Leonetti
 - Pam Byrne
 - Daniel De La Rosa
 - Junior
- VR Industry Forum
 - Christine Corby
 - Natasha Ragler
- All Speakers
- You, the Audience







On behalf of the Workshop organizing committee







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THANK YOU!!!