

Technical Advisory Board

JSON Initiative

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Quotes that I live by

- "I would never die for my beliefs because I might be wrong."
- "To die for an idea: it is unquestionably noble. But how much nobler it would be if men died for ideas that were true."
- "It's tough to make predictions, especially about the future."
- "The older I grow the more I distrust the familiar doctrine that age brings wisdom."
- "There are no solutions, only trade-offs"

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JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)

- In use by most RESTful web services
- Can be marshaled and unmarshaled directly with JavaScript
- All major programming languages provide JSON APIs.
- JSON Schema standard supported by third party tools (XML Spy)

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Issues

Mapping difficulties: Multiple solutions

- e attr="value"/>
- e>text</e>
- <e attr="value">text</e>
- <e>text</e>
- <e>texttext</e>
- JSON Schema is not a W3C standard
- Security Standards are not defined (https only)

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TAB Activities

- Open Source (BSD license) XSLT modified to translate XML instance documents into JSON. Set of flags for different formats
- XSLT to translate XML Schema to JSON Schema
 - Missing Features: choice mapping, documentation (description), code definition

TAB JSON Original Recommendation 2015

 PESC will recognize that a JSON message exchange conforms to PESC standards:

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> If the JSON instance was derived from a PESC schema validated XML instance document, and the transformation uses PESC specified transformation rules

 When JSON has a recognized schema approach, PESC can then provide direct standards for JSON

Questions for Task Force

 Is there a need to exchange education information in JSON format?

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- Should PESC provide a translation standard between JSON and XML?
- Should we add the additional linking support of JSON-LD?
- Should exchange definitions include RESTful web service definitions as part of the standard or use EdExchange

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Possible approaches (trade-offs)

- XSLT from valid XML instance to JSON instance
- XSLT to transform XML Schema to JSON Schema
- JSON Schema from scratch using PESC specification
- JSON-LD implementation
- Swagger or other web service specification for web service definition
- AI "interlingua" for future dialects

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Goessner Notation (A4L)

Pattern	XML <e></e>	JSON "e": null	Access o.e
2	<e>text</e>	"e": "text"	o.e
3	<e name="value"></e>	"e":{"@name": "value"}	o.e["@name"]
4	<e name="value">text</e>	"e": { "@name": "value", "#text": "text" }	o.e["@name"] o.e["#text"]
5	<e> <a>text text </e>	"e": { "a": "text", "b": "text" }	o.e.a o.e.b
6	<e> <a>text <a>text </e>	"e": { "a": ["text", "text"] }	o.e.a[0] o.e.a[1]
7	<e> text <a>text </e>	"e": { "#text": "text", "a": "text" }	o.e["#text"] o.e.a

http://www.xml.com/pub/a/2006/05/31/converting-between-xml-and-json.html

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Example PESC JSON

0	{	
0		"TransmissionData": {
0		"DocumentID": "12345CV",
0		"CreatedDateTime": "2016-02-29",
0		"TransmissionType": "Resubmission",
0		"DocumentTypeCode": "Application",
0		"Source": {},
0		"Destination": {},
0		"NoteMessage": [
0		"First Message", "Second Message"
0]
0		}
0	}	

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Task Force Activities

Set up meeting time with Doodle

- Review each possible approach and determine viability
- If multiple or phase solutions, lay out an implementation plan



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Questions

