

**IBIS Open Forum Minutes**

Meeting Date: **June 7, 2019**

Meeting Location: **Teleconference**

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The bridge numbers for future IBIS teleconferences are as follows:

Date Meeting Number Meeting Password

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All teleconference meetings are 8:00 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. US Pacific Time. Meeting agendas are typically distributed seven days before each Open Forum. Minutes are typically distributed within seven days of the corresponding meeting.

NOTE: "AR" = Action Required.

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**INTRODUCTIONS AND MEETING QUORUM**

Mike LaBonte declared that a quorum was reached.

**CALL FOR PATENTS**

Mike LaBonte called for declaration of any patents or pending patents related to the IBIS 3.2, IBIS 4.2, IBIS 5.1, IBIS 6.1, Touchstone 2.0, IBIS-ISS 1.0 or ICM 1.1 specifications. No patents were declared.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES AND ARS**

Mike LaBonte called for comments on the minutes of the May 17, 2019 IBIS Open Forum teleconference. Radek Biernacki moved to approve the minutes. Curtis Clark seconded the motion. There were no objections.

Mike reviewed ARs from the previous meeting.

1. Michael Mirmak to find out if the IEEE P2401 meeting at DAC is open to anyone [AR].

Michael reported the meeting would not be open. If you have not attended an IEEE meeting before, you can only use one free meeting attendance. So, you should not attend more than once without becoming a member. So, in essence, the meeting was closed.

1. Mike to add tentative dates for the Asian IBIS Summits to website [AR].

Mike reported this as done. Bob Ross noted the years changed but not the dates.

1. Mike to send vote solicitation for Asian IBIS Summits [AR].

Mike reported this was sent out.

1. Mike to send vote solicitation for IBISCHK parser source code price increase [AR].

Mike reported this as done. Michael Cohen said he did not see the email. Mike suggested Michael go to the freelists archive for the mailing list to compare the list of emails sent out to the emails Michael actually received. Curtis noted that Michael is subscribed.

1. Mike to send vote solicitation for BIRD199 [AR].

Mike reported this as done.

1. Bob Ross to alert current licensees of IBISCHK6 parser source code regarding price vote [AR].

Bob reported he sent out the message. He will send out a message if the price increase is approved.

1. Bob Ross to update BUG203 to specify using a caution message [AR].

Bob reported this as done.

1. Bob Ross to update BUG204 to specify using a caution message [AR].

Bob reported this as done.

1. Bob Ross to update BUG205 to specify IBIS version applicability of the new check [AR].

Bob reported this as done.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**, **CALL FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**MEMBERSHIP STATUS AND TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bob Ross reported that we have 25 members as of June 1, dropped from 28. IO Methodology has been dropped. Raytheon is dropped. Temporarily, IBM has been moved to a non-voting status until the payment is received. The payment is in progress, so voting status should be restored next week. We have $12,546 cash flow for 2019 and a $15,296 adjusted balance for 2019. We made a payment for the European IBIS Summit. The voting quorum remains at 7.

Michael Cohen noted he expects to see payment made for IBM by June 12.

**WEBSITE ADMINISTRATION**

Mike LaBonte reported that the Touchstone survey was posted on the webpage, but the link is now removed since the survey is closed. The keyword tree diagram for IBIS Version 7.0 was corrected for some small mistakes.

**MAILING LIST ADMINISTRATION**

Curtis Clark reported a couple of Yahoo email addresses start failing simultaneously, but the accounts seem to have gone inactive. So, there is no indication of any issues.

**LIBRARY UPDATE**

No update.

**INTERNATIONAL/EXTERNAL ACTIVITIES**

- Conferences

SPI2019 – the 23rd IEEE Workshop on Signal and Power Integrity will be held in Chambéry, France on June 18-21, 2019. An IBIS Summit will be held after the event. More information is available at:

<https://spi2019.sciencesconf.org/>

EDI CON is a web-based conference held September 10-12, 2019. The third day has some SI/PI content with some prominent experts giving presentations. More information is available at:

[https://www.edicononline.com/](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.edicononline.com%2F&data=02%7C01%7Crrwolff%40micron.com%7Ca95eaed5e1274f2d0db708d6ea96cf8a%7Cf38a5ecd28134862b11bac1d563c806f%7C0%7C0%7C636954330785208420&sdata=iaHHduCQX7SKK0lan4VGJvxnJDgYYEZU4ANfVrYqVTs%3D&reserved=0)

- Press Update

Mike LaBonte reported that Eric Bogatin interviewed him about Touchstone. Eric wrote an article about Touchstone that is somewhat historical but also discusses IBIS efforts on determining the future of Touchstone. The article will be in the Signal Integrity Journal, but it is not published yet.

Mike also wrote an article about the release of IBIS 7.0 for the Signal Integrity Journal. The article has been submitted, but he does not know if/when it will be published.

- Related standards

IEC 63055/IEEE 2401, JEITA “LPB”

Michael Mirmak reported this week is DAC in Las Vegas. On Thursday, the Design Automation Standards committee met. On Monday, there was a meeting of P2401 with a brief review of LPB draft 4. The draft was approved to forward to IEEE. The Editorial changes are closed from P2401. The Mandatory Editorial Committee of IEEE will now review the document. It will then go to the balloting phase, where it will open up for further comments, then eventual IEEE approval. The final document may be approved in early 2020.

Michael did inform the P2401 team that editorial work on IBIS was still taking place. LPB does support the Interconnect syntax and EBD. He made them aware of work on EMD. They are also now aware of the IBIS Summit meeting in Tokyo in November. P2401 is planning on a presentation at the Summit about the new content in LPB.

Bob Ross asked if LPB references IBIS 7.0. Michael confirmed it does. Bob asked if LPB references Touchstone 2.0. Michael confirmed it does. Touchstone, IBIS EBD and IBIS package can be called out by name in LPB. Terminals and terminal types from IBIS 7.0 can be called out. Mike noted one of their formats is parallel to EBD. Michael described how the document attempts to reference hierarchical flavors of models and multiple formats to accomplish similar things in different contexts. It may be helpful to ask for an example of 2401 LPB syntax to be shared at the IBIS Summit in Tokyo, since it is difficult to obtain the complete document. If an example can be shown, it may become clearer to people how it is used.

**SUMMIT PLANNING AND STATUS**

- IEEE SPI Summit

SPI will be held in Chambéry, France on June 18-21, 2019. An IBIS Summit is planned in the afternoon of June 21, 2019. The conference will be held in Room B of Le Manège. Mentor and Zuken are sponsors.

Bob Ross noted SPI has put our program into their booklet. The last two programs are longer than anticipated, so our program may be different from what is published in their booklet. The final agenda should be sent out early next week. Mike noted the conference organizer Mihai Telescu has been very helpful to us.

- Asia Summits

Mike will fix the dates shown on the website [AR]. Bob noted rooms have been reserved for Shanghai on November 1, 2019, Taipei on November 4, 2019 $8,000, and Tokyo on November 8, 2019.

Bob moved to vote for the Asian IBIS Summits with Shanghai on November 1, 2019 with costs not to exceed $8,000, Taipei on November 4, 2019 with costs not to exceed $8,000, and Tokyo on November 8, 2019 with costs not to exceed $500. Randy Wolff seconded the motion. There were no objections.

The roll call vote tally was:

ANSYS – yes

Cadence – yes

GLOBALFOUNDRIES – yes

Infineon Technologies AG – yes (by email)

Intel – yes

Keysight – yes

Mentor – yes

Micron – yes

SiSoft – yes

SPISim – yes

Synopsys – yes (by email)

Teraspeed Labs – yes

Zuken – yes (by email)

The roll call vote concluded with a vote tally of Yes – 13, No – 0, Abstain – 0. The vote passed.

Sponsorship opportunities for all upcoming IBIS summits are available, with sponsors receiving free mentions in the minutes, agenda, and other announcements. Contact the IBIS Board for further details.

**QUALITY TASK GROUP**

Mike LaBonte reported that the group is meeting on Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. PT. The topic of discussion is IBISCHK. There are also discussions about the possibility of an IBIS-ISS parser.

The Quality task group checklist and other documentation can be found at:

<http://www.ibis.org/quality_wip/>

**ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY MODELING TASK GROUP**

Arpad Muranyi reported that the group meets on Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m. PT. The group discussed the DC\_Offset BIRD and Randy Wolff has given an update on his C\_comp improvement BIRD.

Task group material can be found at:

<http://www.ibis.org/macromodel_wip/>

**INTERCONNECT TASK GROUP**

Michael Mirmak reported that the group meets at 8:00 a.m. PT on Wednesdays. There was not a meeting this week; however, the group will resume next week. There will be some finalizing of Touchstone survey results. There will be further discussion of EMD drafts. There will be some discussion of IBIS-ISS parser options as well.

Task group material can be found at:

<http://www.ibis.org/interconnect_wip/>

**EDITORIAL TASK GROUP**

Michael Mirmak reported the task group remains suspended.

Task group material can be found at:

<http://www.ibis.org/editorial_wip/>

**NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES**

- Annual election of officers

Radek Biernacki reported that we are in the voting period. The announcement went out May 17 for the nomination period. We received nominations for all the officer positions. The ballot went out June 3, and a correction was sent out after that. In the last minutes, June 17 was reported as the date for announcement of results. However, June 17 is the last voting day, and June 18 will be the announcement of results. 7 votes have been received so far. Radek will send a reminder email next week.

- IBISCHK parser source code purchase price

Bob Ross noted a no vote will be to keep the price of the IBISCHK7.x parser at $2,500. Over the years, we have added incremental functionality and complexity of checking that warrants an increase of price. Over the lifecycle of the parser, we may spend $20,000 to $40,000 on bug fixes and other things not anticipated. We expect 8 parser license sales, which will put us at $24,000 income for the next parser version. We may need to change the price later if we add significantly more features with the EMD update or other updates.

Bob moved to vote to increase the price of the parser license for IBISCHK7.x from $2,500 to $3,000. Michael Mirmak seconded the motion. There were no objections.

The roll call vote tally was:

ANSYS – yes

Cadence – yes

GLOBALFOUNDRIES – yes

Infineon Technologies AG – yes (by email)

Intel – yes

Keysight – abstain

Mentor – yes

Micron – yes

SiSoft – yes

SPISim – yes

Synopsys – yes (by email)

Teraspeed Labs – yes

Zuken – yes (by email)

The roll call vote concluded with a vote tally of Yes – 12, No – 0, Abstain – 1. The vote passed.

**BIRD199: FIX RX\_RECEIVER\_SENSITIVITY INCONSISTENCIES**

Arpad Muranyi noted he has not received any updates or corrections for the BIRD. This is a minor fix for the example and descriptive text of the Rx\_Receiver\_Sensitivity parameter.

Arpad moved to vote on the BIRD. Curtis Clark seconded the motion. There were no objections.

The roll call vote tally was:

ANSYS – yes

Cadence – yes

GLOBALFOUNDRIES – yes

Intel – yes

Keysight – yes

Mentor – yes

Micron – yes

SiSoft – yes

SPISim – yes

Synopsys – yes (by email)

Teraspeed Labs – yes

Zuken USA – yes (by email)

The roll call vote concluded with a vote tally of Yes – 12, No – 0, Abstain – 0. The vote passed.

Mike LaBonte will update the status on the website [AR].

**BIRD198: KEYWORD ADDITIONS FOR ON DIE PDN (POWER DISTRIBUTION NETWORK) MODELING**

Mike LaBonte noted this BIRD came from a group of people representing JEITA. The ATM task group sent a letter to them asking for clarifications and potential additions to the BIRD. Mike has not seen any updates since then. Arpad Muranyi added the authors did say they are planning to make changes to the BIRD.

**BIRD166.4: RESOLVING PROBLEMS WITH REDRIVER INIT FLOW**

Discussion was tabled.

**BIRD181.1: I-V TABLE CLARIFICATIONS**

Discussion was tabled.

**BIRD190: CLARIFICATION FOR REDRIVER FLOW**

Discussion was tabled.

**BIRD197.2: NEW AMI RESERVED PARAMETER DC\_OFFSET**

Discussion was tabled.

**IBISCHK PARSER AND BUG STATUS**

Bob Ross reported the parser development for Version 7.0 is progressing. We have had questions from the parser developer a while ago, but nothing recent. The target date for delivery of the parser in the agreement is June 21, 2019. Those who want to receive the source code need to go through the signature process for the license and make the payment. Bob sent an email to the previous parser license purchasers about the upcoming parser delivery. Executables will become available sometime after the source code is stable and released.

**NEW TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next IBIS Open Forum teleconference meeting will be held on June 28, 2019. The following teleconference meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 19, 2019.

Curtis Clark moved to adjourn. Michael Mirmak seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned.

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* To inquire about joining the IBIS Open Forum as a voting Member.
* To purchase a license for the IBIS parser source code.
* To report bugs or request enhancements to the free software tools: ibischk6, tschk2, icmchk1, s2ibis, s2ibis2 and s2iplt.

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| **Organization** | **Interest Category** | **Standards Ballot Voting Status** | **April 5, 2019** | **April 26, 2019** | **May 17, 2019** | **June 7, 2019** |
| ANSYS | User | Active | X | - | X | X |
| Applied Simulation Technology | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Broadcom Ltd. | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Cadence Design Systems | User | Inactive | - | X | - | X |
| Cisco Systems | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Dassault Systemes | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Ericsson | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| GLOBALFOUNDRIES | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | X |
| Google | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Huawei Technologies | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Infineon Technologies AG | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | X |
| Instituto de Telecomunicações | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Intel Corp. | Producer | Active | X | X | X | X |
| Keysight Technologies | User | Active | X | X | X | X |
| Maxim Integrated | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Mentor, A Siemens Business | User | Active | X | X | X | X |
| Micron Technology | Producer | Active | X | X | X | X |
| NXP | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| SiSoft | User | Active | X | X | X | X |
| SPISim | User | Active | - | - | X | X |
| Synopsys | User | Inactive | - | - | - | X |
| Teraspeed Labs | General Interest | Active | X | X | X | X |
| Xilinx | Producer | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| ZTE Corp. | User | Inactive | - | - | - | - |
| Zuken | User | Active | X | X | X | X |

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