



Executive Summary

Purpose: The purpose of this Public Forum was to provide an opportunity for VA and external experts and stakeholders to learn about the SOA – User Interaction Design Pattern, and provide feedback prior to the Design Pattern’s finalization, publication and implementation.

Background: The Technology Strategies Design Patterns Team has been soliciting input for the development of the SOA – User Interaction Design Pattern. This involved collaboration efforts with a variety of stakeholders, including internal VA subject matter experts (SMEs), external government SMEs, industry vendors, and members of academia. This Public Forum represented the final stage of stakeholder engagement in the Design Pattern development process.

Overview: The TS Design Pattern Team presented the final draft of their updated Design Pattern. An introduction of the department was provided by Stephany Perez-Cohen followed by an overview presented by Joseph Brooks of the Office of Technology Strategies. Harpreet Narang of the Design Patterns Team then presented the draft increment of the Design Pattern and covered the details of its content and development. Stakeholders from various OI&T offices and organizations, both internal and external to VA, shared their questions, comments, and insights related to the content covered in the presentation. The presentation and Q&A session lasted approximately hours.

Key Discussion Points:

Next Steps:

The TS Design Pattern Team will finalize the Design Pattern document to address feedback from this Public Forum, and begin formal approval staffing. Updates will include additional inputs regarding architectural guidance and references to implementation guidance. The document will be edited to ensure Section 508 compliance, and the final approved version will be posted onto the ASD TS public-facing website: http://www.techstrategies.oit.va.gov/docs_design_patterns.asp

Appendices:

- A. Attendee List
- B. Presentation Slide Deck

Appendix A: Attendee List

Attendee	Organization
Marcus Baggs	
Dave Beeler	IBM

Ruth Beltran-West	
Michael Boberski	BAH
Virginia Boyett	
Joseph Brooks	VA TS
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Eric Jurasas	
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Stephen Pelchar	HP/EDS
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Debbie Trost	
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Kevin Weinstein	BAH

Appendix B: Presentation Slide Deck



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UI Capabilities Design Pattern Public Forum Notes – 5-13-15

- Add language to make it clear to the reader that there are choices when picking applications, not just the ones you mentioned
- There's an assumption made about the audience --- possibly add more language to make it more tutorial for those less knowledgeable in the area
- Add language to the DP to help the reader determine how do you decide which application to use?
 - How to choose between portal and a WCMS
- Likely need a comprehensive UX Guide for ESS
- Correct TRM entries for WSRP
 - Follow-up with the TRM team to let them know about the error
- Needs more prescriptive guidance on picking the right frameworks
- Consider including more information on RIAs
 - How to apply the web approach
 - If you don't add it, mention that it'll be added in future DP's and is out of scope
- Should we mention 508 compliance?
 - Should we add 508 testing & guidance to the DP selection bucket?
 - Is there standard design criteria that the VA must adhere to (ex: 508, hospitals, etc.)
- Future DP with linkage to the implementation guideline
- Testing and evaluation design pattern – work with Gary Smith on CONOPS
 - Provide more UI Development guidance – do you have to have them tested against assistive technologies?
- Update your scope statement more clearly for what's in / out
- Possibly include the link to the 2012 SOA DP?