



4th BIG-EU Interoperability Workshop

sponsored by ABB

**April 22 to 24, 2009
Helsinki, Finland**

Invitation

The BACnet Interest Group Europe e.V. (BIG-EU) and ABB invite you to the 4th BACnet Interoperability Workshop of the BIG-EU, to be held from 22nd to 24th April, 2009, at ABB in Helsinki. The workshop is open to manufacturers or vendors of BACnet devices.

The workshop provides an opportunity for all participants to improve the interoperability of their products with those from other companies attending. Manufacturers can also test functionality of their BACnet implementation within a large BACnet network. The tests will not be a conformance test and may only be used to improve the BACnet implementations. Training sessions carried out during the workshop include the latest update to conformance testing and standard changes.

Workshop participants should be intimately familiar with the software and hardware that implement the capabilities being tested. They are expected to have a thorough understanding of the BACnet protocol. The workshop will be open only to active participants.

The workshop is not a spectator event, and it is not open to members of the media. Participants may be working with unreleased products and other participants are expected to respect their privacy.

All participants will be mentioned in the workshop's official press release.

Location

The workshop will be held at ABB.

ABB Oy
Valimopolku 4A
FI-00380 Helsinki
Finland

In case of device / equipment deliveries,
contact ABB / Teemu T Heikkilä for more information.

Legal terms of participation

The purpose of the workshop is to identify any possible interoperability problems in BACnet implementations and the BACnet standard, and this requires an environment in which the participants feel comfortable about discussing product functionality. All participants must agree to keep confidential any information about other companies products obtained primarily as a result of their participation in the workshop.

All participants must agree that the workshop is not a forum for discussions related to sales, marketing, business development, distribution, or any related matter.

Program and schedule (tentative)

Wednesday, April 22, 2009	
08:00 – 08:30	Bus transportation from hotel
08:30 – 09:00	Registration, setup
09:00 – 09:15	Opening of the workshop
09:15 – 10:30	Test session 1 (1hour 15 minutes)
	Break
10:45 – 12:00	Test session 2 (1 h 15 min)
	Buffet lunch
13:00 – 15:00	Test session 3 (2 h)
	Coffee break
15:15 – 17:15	Test session 4 (2 h)
17:15 – 17:30	Summary, closing the day
17:30 – 18:00	Bus transportation to hotel
20.00	Dinner, Helsinki city centre

Thursday, April 23, 2009	
08:00 – 08:30	Bus transportation from hotel
08:30 – 09:30	Training sessions (1 h)
	Break
09:45 – 12:00	Round table session 1 (2 h 15 min)
	Buffet lunch
13:00 - 15:15	Round table session 2 (2 h 15 min)
	Break
15:30 – 17:00	Round table session 3 (1 h 30 min)
17:00-19:00	Get together, sauna
19:30 - 20:00	Bus transportation to hotel

Friday, April 24, 2009	
08:00 – 08:30	Bus transportation from hotel
08:30 –	System session
12:00	Buffet lunch
13:00 -	System session continues
14:00 – 14:30	Review, discussion, closing the workshop

Products / equipment

Each manufacturer will bring his BACnet equipment ready to plug into a 10baseT Ethernet network. It is recommended that the equipment be mounted onto a board or panel and should be pre-wired. A number of different combinations of equipment will be tested, so please bring equipment that is easy to set up and configure, disassemble and move. Communication between different manufacturers' equipment will use BACnet/IP. Manufacturers that plan to test non-BACnet/IP products should bring a router that will allow the device to communicate with other manufacturers' devices, or make arrangements with other manufacturers to use their router.

Registration

To register for this workshop, please complete the application carefully. **The deadline for registration is Friday, March 13, 2009.** Please send the completed and signed registration form by email to teemu.t.heikkila@fi.abb.com.

The maximum number of participating test teams will be 30 and a recommended maximum number of people per test team is two.

Following the registration period, ABB will send detailed information about the workshop and a list of all participants and their product specification to the registered participants. The participants then may inform about the companies against which they would like to test until April 3, 2009. Thereupon the final test schedule with the test sessions will be set up.

Registration fee

The registration fee is 300 € (excluding VAT) per participating test team. The fee includes the catering during the workshop (lunch buffet, drinks), a dinner and get together evening.

Travel information

Participants are responsible for their own travel arrangements. The closest airport is Helsinki/Finland.

ABB, as a sponsor of the workshop, has arranged bus transportation in the morning and after the day.

Each participant shall arrange transportation from the airport to the hotel.

Hotel accommodation

Workshop attendants are responsible for their own accommodation arrangements. ABB has secured accommodation until March 22, 2009 at a special rate at

Hotel Presidentti

Street address: Eteläinen Rautatiekatu 4; Helsinki
<http://www.sokoshotelpresidentti.fi/eng/index.html>

Rates:

- Standard single room 114 €/night
- Standard double room 134 €/night
- Superior single room 134 €/night

- Superior single room 154 €/night
 - Junior suite 250 €/night
- Breakfast and sauna are included.

Reservations to sokos.hotels@sok.fi by e-mail
or telephone: +358201234600.

Please mention booking reference "ABB/BACnet plugfest" and the name of the hotel "Hotel Presidentti, Helsinki".

Radisson SAS Royal Hotel

Street address: Runeberginkatu 2; Helsinki

www.radissonsas.com

Rates:

- Standard single room 140 €/night
- Standard double room 160 €/night
- Superior single room 165 €/night
- Superior double room 185 €/night
- Business single room 180 €/night
- Business double room 200 €/night

Breakfast and sauna included.

Reservations to reservations.finland@RadissonSAS.com by e-mail
or telephone: +358201234700.

Please mention booking reference "BACne" and the name of the hotel "Hotel Radisson SAS Royal, Helsinki".

Contacts / information

If you have any questions about the workshop, please contact ABB or the BIG-EU office:

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On behalf of my company I am applying to participate in the BIG-EU BACnet Interoperability Workshop to be held April 22 to 24, 2009, in Helsinki Finland. As a condition of participation, I agree to:

- Respect the privacy of the other participants.
- Follow the legal terms of the workshop

Applicant

Name of Applicant		First Name
Company		
Address		
ZIP	City	State
Country		
Phone		Fax
e-mail		

Additional participant of the workshop (max. two persons per company)

Last Name	First Name	e-mail
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Payment of Registration Fee

The Workshop fee of 300 € (excluding VAT) shall be remitted to BIG-EU office / MarDirect (EURO only) by bank transfer after receiving an invoice.

Description of the products

Briefly describe the products that you plan to bring for testing, and include the capabilities that you would like to bring. PICS document preferred.

Membership

BIG – EU
 BI
 Other BIG: _____

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Date, Signature

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