ASC Shared Calendaring Trade Study Summary

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Objective: Identify an open standards based product or combination of products to manage individual and group calendaring and scheduling, resource calendaring and scheduling, and event calendaring and scheduling for A.S.C..

Definitions:
Open Standards: Publicly available specifications for achieving a specific task. By allowing anyone to obtain and implement the standard, they can increase compatibility between various hardware and software components, since anyone with the necessary technical know-how and resources can build products that work together with those of the other vendors that base their designs on the standard.

Calendaring: Creation and upkeep of an electronic calendar.
Scheduling: The process of managing dates and times for meetings, resources, and events.
Resource: A non human place or thing.
Event: Something that will happen at a specific time.

Note about Resources:
We feel it is important that products distinguish well between people and resources. Resources are interchangable and may be pooled. Unlike people, resources don't answer their email and don't host or get invited to meetings or events.

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