



# TAC 2015

## Technology Advisory Council

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# What is the TAC?

- Technical Advisory Council
  - Technologists working together to advance Open Fabrics
- TAC Charter (2014 OFA Dev Workshop Summary)
  - Investigate technology trends
  - Review needs of end user markets/apps/technology
  - Maintain links to IBTA TWG, Spec bodies, & end users
- TAC Impact
  - Identified and analyzed technology gaps between User community needs and the state of open fabric technology
    - Incubation of Open Fabrics Interfaces Working Group to focus on new approaches to addressing those gaps
    - Inspired the formation of the Open Fabrics Verbs working group to evolve the state of OFED Verbs to address those gaps

# What are we taking about?

## Changes

*Change is necessary for growth*

*Growth is necessary for viability*

- This year's workshop highlighted change
  - The OFA community of Users have a growing and diverse range of needs with distinct requirements
  - The OFA community of technology Suppliers are growing, providing an increasingly diverse range of fabric technologies and fabric interfaces

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- TAC 2015 : Co-Chair
  - Diego Crupnicoff continues as Co-Chair
  - Frank Berry joined the TAC as Co-Chair
  - Tom Stachura will be missed by folks in the OFA
    - Tom's doing fine, simply growing his career, requiring a change in his OFA involvement

## »»»»» Changes

- The TAC must evolve to benefit the growing base of “Users” and “Suppliers” as technology and needs change
  - Enabling OFA to be where diverse fabric technologies and users come together
- Actions resulting from review, investigation and discussion have the biggest impact
  - Incubating and promoting proposals that result in change needs to be the focus
    - Driven by the members of the TAC

# TAC 2015 Call to Action

- An ever growing list Technologies that could be important to OFA Users and Suppliers that could be reviewed would fill many more slides
- Each of you already knows what is important to you.
  - The TAC wants you to step forward and initiate discussion of what you need with the technologists of the TAC
  - And yes, we have a list
    - But a line item on a list is not as effective as a person with a need is in kicking off the technology discussions that result in real solutions



Thank You



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