

# IEEE P802.3dt Ethernet Metadata Services Task Force

Unapproved Meeting Minutes, prepared by Gary Nicholl

## 10 March 2026

Location: Vancouver, BC, Canada

IEEE P802.3dt Task Force Meeting Page - <https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/index.html>

Session called to order at 08:15 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) by David Law, IEEE 802.3 Working Group Chair.

David Law, IEEE 802.3 Working Group Chair, appointed Gary Nicholl to be the Recording Secretary for the 3dt Task Force

Prior to motion #1, Chair asked if there would be opposition to attempt the vote by unanimous consent. No one responded.

### Motion #1

Motion	Move to confirm David Ofelt as IEEE P802.3dt Ethernet Metadata Services Task Force Chair
M	Jeff Slavick
S:	Tom Huber
By Rule ( $\geq 75\%$ )	
All (y/n/a)	
Results	Approved by unanimous consent

David Law passed the meeting chair responsibilities to David Ofelt, Chair for the IEEE P802.3dt Ethernet Metadata Services Task Force.

Chair reminded participants that participation in the IEEE 802.3 March 2026 meeting requires registration or payment of registration fee. The meeting will count towards IEEE 802.3 Working Group voting membership. (see Agenda slide #1).

If participants are not eligible to sign in to IMAT to claim attendance credit, please send an email to the Task Force Chair and Recording Secretary to be recorded in the minutes as an attendee.

Chair reminded participants to declare their name and affiliation in the online meeting tool. Failure to declare would result in expulsion from the meeting.

**Agenda:**

Title	<b>Agenda and General Information</b>
Presenters	David Ofelt
URL	<a href="https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/agenda_3dt_a_2603.pdf">https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/agenda_3dt_a_2603.pdf</a>

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Chair noted that every attendee at the IEEE 802.3 March 2026 meeting (Face-to-Face or Remote) must register and pay a fee to participate. (see slide #3 of agenda).

Chair reviewed the agenda (Slide #4). Chair noted that individuals should check the webpage for the latest version of each presentation. Chair noted that all of the presentation times were subject to change.

Chair asked if there were any objections to the agenda. There were no objections. The chair ruled that the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Chair noted that there were EMS Study Group meeting minutes to approve (see slide #5)

- IEEE 802.3 EMS Study Group Meeting, 20 January 2026
  - [https://www.ieee802.org/3/EMS/public/26\\_01/minutes\\_ems\\_2601\\_unapproved.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/EMS/public/26_01/minutes_ems_2601_unapproved.pdf)

Chair asked if there were any corrections or modifications to the posted minutes. No one responded. Chair asked if there were any objections to approving the minutes. There were none, and the minutes were considered approved by unanimous consent.

Chair reviewed the meeting map for the week. (See slide #6) He reviewed the details to find the track meetings' call information. He noted that all of the call information was available on the IEEE Call and Meeting calendar.

Chair reviewed meeting decorum. (See Slides #7-9). Chair asked if there were any members of the press present. No one responded.

Chair reviewed the goals for the session (See slide #10).

Chair reviewed the Task Force Project Information / Organization for the P802.3dj Task Forces. (See Slides #12).

Chair reviewed ground rules and important bylaws, rules and references (See Slide #18-19).

Chair reviewed voting in the task force (see slide #20). Chair noted that the straw polls would use the online meeting tool. Motions would be taken with the Direct Vote Live tool if there was not unanimous consent. Chair noted that he reserved the right to take informative straw polls by 802.3 WG voting membership.

Chair reviewed the updated membership and attendance recording requirements (See slide #21-22).

Slide #23 - Chair noted that the information regarding the IEEE SA Policies had been sent out via the Task Force reflector and requested that individuals review the following IEEE SA policies prior to the meeting –

- IEEE SA Patent policy
- IEEE SA Copyright Policy
- IEEE SA Participation Policy and IEEE Code of Ethics

Chair asked if anyone needed to review the policies at that time – there were no requests to do so from in-person nor remote attendees.

**Presentation #1:**

Title	<b>Chair's Overview of IEEE P802.3dt Project</b>
Presenters	David Ofelt
URL	<a href="https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/ofelt_3dt_01_2603.pdf">https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/ofelt_3dt_01_2603.pdf</a>

Questions were asked and answered.

**IMAT Reminder (AM1):**

08:59 a.m. Chair asked that eligible participants should sign in to IMAT to claim Working Group attendance credit. He noted that participants not eligible to sign in to IMAT to claim Working Group attendance credit are to send an email to David Ofelt / Gary Nicholl to be recorded in the meeting minutes. He paused for a minute to let eligible attendees sign into IMAT. He asked if there was any eligible participant having a problem signing into IMAT. No one responded.

**Presentation #2:**

Title	<b>Towards a baseline proposal for the EMS architecture and service interface</b>
Presenters	David Law
URL	<a href="https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/law_3dt_01a_2603.pdf">https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/law_3dt_01a_2603.pdf</a>

Questions were asked and answered.

During the presentation, the author noted several editorial errors and indicated that an updated version (01a) would be provided after the meeting.

**AM Break:**

Break at 10:02 a.m. Resumed at 10:33 a.m.

Before presentation #3, the author indicated that an updated version (01a) with technical and editorial changes was available. The Chair asked for objections to hearing the updated version. None were raised.

**Presentation #3:**

Title	<b>Towards a baseline proposal for PCS and RS/xMII</b>
Presenters	Adee Ran
URL	<a href="https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/ran_3dt_01a_2603.pdf">https://www.ieee802.org/3/dt/public/26_03/ran_3dt_01a_2603.pdf</a>

Questions were asked and answered.

**IMAT Reminder (AM2):**

11:33 a.m. Chair asked that eligible participants should sign in to IMAT to claim Working Group attendance credit. He noted that participants not eligible to sign in to IMAT to claim Working Group attendance credit are to send an email to David Ofelt / Gary Nicholl to be recorded in the meeting minutes. He paused for a minute to let eligible attendees sign into IMAT. He asked if there was any eligible participant having a problem signing into IMAT. No one responded.

Chair reviewed future meetings (See slide #25).

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Attendees (per IMAT):

Name	Employer	Affiliation
Aronson, Joseph	Texas Instruments Inc.	Texas Instruments Inc.
Brillhart, Theodore	Fluke Corporation	Fluke Corporation
Bruckman, Leon	NVIDIA	NVIDIA
Brychta, Michal	Analog Devices Inc.	Analog Devices Inc.
de Koos, Andras	Microchip Technology Inc	Microchip Technology Inc
Elangovan, Vivekanandh	Infineon Technologies	Infineon Technologies
Elzur, Uri		NVIDIA Corporation
Gareau, Sebastien		Ciena Corporation
Graber, Steffen	Pepperl+Fuchs SE	Pepperl+Fuchs SE

He, Xiang	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd
Hu, Runlong	China Mobile Communications Group Co.,Ltd	China Mobile Communications Group Co.,Ltd
Huber, Thomas	Nokia	Nokia
Jochim, Markus	General Motors Company	General Motors Company
Kim, Do Kyun	LG ELECTRONICS	LG ELECTRONICS
Kleinwaechter, Mathias	in-tech GmbH	in-tech GmbH
Lackner, Hans	QoSCom GmbH	QoSCom GmbH
Lasry, Ariel	Qualcomm Technologies, Inc	Qualcomm Technologies, Inc
Law, David	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Mascitto, Marco	Infinera Canada Inc.	Nokia
Moorwood, Charles	Keysight Technologies	Keysight Technologies
Muller, Shimon	Enfabrica Corp.	Enfabrica
Muma, Scott	Microchip Technology, Inc.	Microchip Technology, Inc.
Nakamoto, Edward	Spirent Communications	VIavi Solutions
Nicholl, Gary	Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco Systems, Inc.
Nicholl, Shawn	Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)	Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)
NIIHARA, YOSHIHIRO	Fujikura Ltd.	Fujikura Ltd.
Ofelt, David	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Opsasnick, Eugene	Broadcom Inc.	Broadcom Inc.
Park, Pusik	Korea Electronics Technology Institute (KETI)	Korea Electronics Technology Institute (KETI)
Parkholm, Ulf	Telefon AB LM Ericsson	Ericsson AB
Pepper, Gerald	Keysight Technologies	Keysight Technologies
Ran, Adeo	Cisco Systems, Inc.	Cisco Systems, Inc.
Sikkink, Mark	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Slavick, Jeff	Broadcom Inc	Broadcom Inc

Strohmeier, Heiko	Robert Bosch GmbH	Robert Bosch GmbH
Sun, jingcong	Motorcomm Electronic Technology Co	Motorcomm Electronic Technology Co
Tan, Yuxuan	Motorcomm	Motorcomm
Torres, Luisma	Knowledge Development for POF SL	KD
Tran, Viet	Keysight Technologies	Keysight Technologies
wang, weilai	BMW Group	BMW AG; BMW Group
Wang, Xiaofeng	Qualcomm Incorporated	Qualcomm Incorporated
WANG, Xuebo	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd
Withey, James	Fluke Corporation	Fluke Corporation
Zhuang, Yan	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd