

Dear Mr. Convener and DASH experts,

The W3C has recently launched a Web and TV Interest Group, set to identify requirements and potential solutions for the use of web technologies in TVs and TV-connected devices.

During the second W3C Web and TV workshop, held in Berlin on 8-9 February 2011, it came to our attention that many participants of the workshop are interested in getting single solution to adaptive streaming in the context of HTML. One of the potential possibilities is DASH. As a result, Web and TV Interest Group(IG) co-chairs would like to convey this interest from workshop participants and IG members to MPEG DASH experts, and to inquire of MPEG companies about the licensing status of DASH. The W3C patent policy for technologies that get adopted as core Web technologies is described here: <http://www.w3.org/Consortium/Patent-Policy/> and has the goal of assuring that Recommendations produced under this policy can be implemented on a Royalty-Free (RF) basis.

We would very much appreciate if you could inform us of the current status of the specification of DASH and request MPEG member companies to make clear whether and under what terms the specification would be suitable for adoption by W3C, given the above policy.

MPEG DASH experts willing to discuss the topic with participants of the Web and TV Interest Group may use the public [public-web-and-tv@w3.org](mailto:public-web-and-tv@w3.org) mailing-list, whose archives are publicly available at: <http://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/public-web-and-tv/>

Companies and individuals willing to know more about W3C and W3C process may get in touch with Francois Daoust <[fd@w3.org](mailto:fd@w3.org)> and Kazuyuki Ashimura <[kaz@w3.org](mailto:kaz@w3.org)>, W3C staff contacts for the Web and TV Interest Group.

Companies and individuals with questions about the W3C patent policy should contact <insert W3C legal contact>.

Best regards,

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On behalf of the W3C Web and TV IG members.

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