Subject: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Sat, 09 Jan 2010 14:28:29 GMT

Hey all !

Do you want to be with your Upp colleagues?.
If yes, meet them next Tuesday 12 at 22:00 UTC in IRC*.

Come, take your favorite drink and talk with the Upp community. Free entrance .

Don't be afraid. Come on. Everybody wants to know your ideas !

Best regards
Koldo

*How to get there?

- Install IRC. For example in Firefox you can use Chatzilla
https://addons.mozilla.org/es-ES/firefox/addon/16
- Then enter in irc://slashnet/u++

*FAQ

- Why in IRC and not in ICQ, Google Talk or Skype ?
Well, IRC is open, does not require an account and as it is a chatting system, you do not need to speak English fluently to understand everybody.

- Why at 22:00 UTC
It is a time that, with more or less effort, many people all over the world could attend

- Where is the program?
I had one but, I forgot it in the underground   !. If you have some opinion, idea or question, just post it here before. If we do not have enough time, we should have to meet us again !

- Which is the right drink ?

- And why not a full conference, with hostesses dressing in red
Ok, if you sponsor it.

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mr_ped on Sun, 10 Jan 2010 00:35:51 GMT
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http://www.slashnet.org/clients

I will try to attend too, but I foresee unforeseeable complications next week, and I'm not sure which day those complications will happen. Also I have to remember... This may be in the end the biggest problem.

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mirek on Sun, 10 Jan 2010 20:02:03 GMT
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Note: For those like me how are confused with UTC, you can check it e.g. here:

http://www.thetimenow.com/index.cgi?loc=257

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Sun, 10 Jan 2010 20:58:26 GMT
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luzr wrote on Sun, 10 January 2010 21:02Note: For those like me how are confused with UTC, you can check it e.g. here:

http://www.thetimenow.com/index.cgi?loc=257
And here http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Coordinated_Universal_Time
or here http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_time_zones

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by andrei_natanael on Sun, 10 Jan 2010 22:51:41 GMT
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Country: Romania

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Posted by koldo on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 08:08:25 GMT
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Hello Andrei

You are right

For the next time we can check the UTC time preferences for the meeting attendees so that we can put the meeting in the better hour.

Best regards
Koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 09:13:35 GMT
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Hello all

For next or other meetings I include some proposals. They are not original as more or less they have been commented in Forum before:

Poll to choose the better meeting time
Every attendee can indicate his/her favorites begin-end times. We can mix them and determinate the better time for next meetings, trying to reduce the attendees effort but also trying that everybody can stay.

Development Projects

Bazaar is good; people go mainly alone and prepare new interesting things.

But some things because of the complexity (example: video player) or the wide range (example: documentation) may require more than one person. Sometimes you have free time, you feel good and clever and do excellent software. But other times you do not, so really more than one person would be required to get the goals in finite time.

And this requires coordination.

It would be positive to have a place to coordinate teamworks. That place could let to:

  * Propose new projects: definition, goals, output expected
  * Arrange teams
  * Put the status, news, schedule

Bazaar page could be this place, although some dynamic parts, like project specification, perhaps could be in a collaborative documentation place like Google Docs. The final output would be C++ or T++.

Bazaar page

Now we have a Bazaar page. It is great !. And we can do it better. It is proposed to add new info. to this page like:

* For the package users
--* Component table
--* How to use them
* For the package authors
--* Introduction and license
--* How to include new contents
----* Package description
----* Upload system
----* Folder organization
----* Permissions
----* Format
----* Max size
--* Maintenance

Bazaar page could even be more significant if it would center former proposal.

Ultimate Book

Ultimate documentation is growing and is available in TheIde and Upp applications through Topic++ help technology.

However some of us think that there is a space for a well structured book including the documentation from the beginners side to the reference guide and appendixes with Bazaar projects. Easy to read in the introduction areas, but complete in the reference areas, with many examples and following Upp design style. All the docs in one place instead of in different help pages, so easier to be distributed.

To do it from the scratch would be an astonishing job. Not only to build it up, it has to be maintained updated.

So why not have both things at the same time ?: Based in Upp technology we can have a help system and a book with only one effort.

Join to prepare the required software and redefine the actual help pages to be compatible with the book.

Best regards
Koldo

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Posted by mrjt on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 11:22:17 GMT
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In particular I'd like to get involved in a larger project. I don't feel I have the time for an independant project but contributing to something larger would be great.

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by andrei_natanael on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 15:29:43 GMT
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koldo wrote on Mon, 11 January 2010 11:13
Bazaar page could be this place, although some dynamic parts, like project specification, perhaps could be in a collaborative documentation place like Google Docs. The final output would be C++ or T++.
Sorry, but i dislike to use too many sources...
We have nightly builds, bug reports, feature requests, wiki, repository mirroring on googlecode, some releases, bug reports and feature request on sourceforge, site, documentation and forum on ultimatepp.org. If we manage to use git for U++ repository where will be master repo which everyone may clone? Gitorious, GoogleCode, SourceForge, Ultimatepp? Just count with me how many accounts one need to participate to one single project:
U++ forum, Google, Sourceforge, Subversion account. Now think that one may participate to more than one project.
IMO we have to have one central point, Ultimatepp site, documentation is here, forum is here and eventually a single host for repository and which provide bug reports, feature requests or we should put these last two on U++ site.

Sorry for being off-topic a bit.

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 15:33:07 GMT
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mrjt wrote on Mon, 11 January 2010 12:22I'd like to attend. I'm actually on a business trip to Oslo then, but I should be able to manage it.

In particular I'd like to get involved in a larger project. I don't feel I have the time for an independant project but contributing to something larger would be great.

Thank you mrjt for your support

We have many skills and experiences. It would be great to create a framework to let to keep those sometimes small, sometimes big efforts into nice projects.

Best regards
Koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 16:58:50 GMT
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andrei_natanael wrote on Mon, 11 January 2010 16:29koldo wrote on Mon, 11 January 2010 11:13
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Sorry, but i dislike to use too many sources...
We have nightly builds, bug reports, feature requests, wiki, repository mirroring on googlecode, some releases, bug reports and feature request on sourceforge, site, documentation and forum on ultimatepp.org. If we manage to use git for U++ repository where will be master repo which everyone may clone? Gitorious, GoogleCode, SourceForge, Ultimatepp? Just count with me how many accounts one need to participate to one single project:
U++ forum, Google, Sourceforge, Subversion account. Now think that one may participate to more than one project.
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Sorry for being off-topic a bit.
Hello Andrei

I agree with you . Precisely because of it I think it is important to have a meeting like tomorrow and to center and coordinate the efforts. Don't you ?.

Best regards
koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by andrei_natanael on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 17:03:53 GMT
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I'll attend if nothing unexpected happen, even if in that morning i have an exam at university .

Andrei

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by cbpporter on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 08:20:28 GMT
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I'll try to be there today. Just need to find and IRC. Is mIRC still "cool"?

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mr_ped on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 21:39:31 GMT
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mIRC was *NEVER* "cool".
Ask anyone who used IRC before mIRC. (like me)

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by cbpporter on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 22:30:22 GMT
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Well I can't seem to connect. Room is "u++" right?

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by andrei_natanael on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 22:53:26 GMT
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yes

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by dolik.rce on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 22:56:06 GMT
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Did yo try this webclient? www.slashnet.org/webclient/u++
Should work anywhere

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by Reini on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 00:05:41 GMT
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Just a small addition since I did not find a suitable client for OSX I just used the webclient.

http://www.slashnet.org/webclient

cYa next time

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 08:25:06 GMT
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Hello all

Wow!. Great meeting.

Many attendees (10) and some that almost attend (2) .

Everybody talked and the consensus was surprisingly high.

Summary will be posted tomorrow.

Next meeting on Tuesday, January 26 21:00 UTC. Put it in your agenda

Best regards
Koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by cbpporter on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 08:57:45 GMT
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Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mr_ped on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 09:16:35 GMT
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Some notes to/from first meeting:
- we should probably focus a bit on "discipline", i.e.:
 * making the meeting from 20:30UTC (optional) with "official" part starting at 21:00UTC, expected end of official part 22:00UTC and no delays allowed.
 * a moderator during official hours

* some agenda for official part, if desirable, so everybody can prepare some notes beforehand

 During first meeting we did end talking about our biggest personal issues, and just so so managed to listen to everyone, so while I don't like discipline too much, to make these meetings as effective as possible we should maybe look into it a bit.

- we should do these meetings regularly, like every 2 weeks, and rotate main official theme. I mean something like:
* biggest personal issues
* biggest bugs/problems/deficiencies in library code (similar to previous, but focused on direct code fixing)
* well defined (easy to moderate) quests for volunteers which would help project immediately
* things done since previous meeting (connected to previous)
* best dev practices, development techniques, new trends, how U++ does cope with them, how to use U++ effectively, etc...
* daydreaming and future guessing, i.e. what would you like to happen in next years with U++
* [added during edit] one man show - somebody would do basically a presentation/training on some interesting topic (although IRC is not very good platform for that)

 What do you think about it? I think it would allow us to focus on the similar things together, which IMHO should be more effective then random chitchat talking.
 And if you like it, what's the best theme for next meeting? (I would probably choose to define quests for volunteers or development practices discussion)

- I'm looking forward for summary, the meeting did fly by so fast I have problems to recall everything from it, it was quite intensive and packed with information. Good job everyone.

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Posted by mr_ped on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 09:25:34 GMT
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I'm pretty sure there were at least 4 people there at 23 UTC. I did left the channel just before 00 UTC.
So something went wrong? Different server? Let's try it before second meeting, so you are ready then . (get somebody on IM probably to help you, I'm on jabber (google talk), ICQ and skype, write me PM if you wish)

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mrjt on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 11:34:28 GMT
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I like the idea of a general topic for each meeting, it would make it more coherent and 'in-depth'. Only problem is that for someone not interested in that topic there would be little incentive to attend, so maybe also have some time for a general discussion too.

A moderator is also a good idea, maybe on rotation. He could prevent the discussion from going off on tangents and at the end of the meeting offer a summary/conclusion.

And why not say 'official' meeting every 2 weeks. Other week can be a time for unoffical chatting/organising of projects etc. for anyone who is there.

Not bad for a first meeting though. It was fun to chat in real-time and I look forward to the next one at an earlier time (so my girlfriend doesn't tell me off for coming to bed late!)

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Thu, 14 Jan 2010 23:01:52 GMT
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Hello all

In this page you can find the meeting minute and the meeting agenda for next meeting on January 26.

 https://docs.google.com/leaf?id=0B2KJA8BmYq-CYTU2OWM2ODctZGJ
iNy00ZTg3LTk0NGUtMjgxYzMxYTg5YjE4&hl=en

The reason to put them there has been:
- It lets to share a formated text
- It lets to be modified

Specially the meeting agenda is open for you to add and modify issues. Please mail me for edit permission. If you have problems I can enter them for you.

Proposals for next meeting to underline are:
- Duration 1 hour
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If there are things you are not agree lets discuss and fix them. If they are not simple please put them in next meeting.

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Best regards
Koldo

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Hello all

Meeting Minute has been updated. Added subjects and moderator (mr_ped).

In addition, Unodgs is almost convinced to answer questions about his packages .

There have been complaints as to edit in Google Docs a Google account is necessary, and not everyone wants to.

I agree but I do not know any other free internet document editing system. If somebody propose a nicer place I would move the files immediately.

Other comments are that some people does not want Meeting Minutes, Agendas and things like this, just a time and a place to chat about U++. What do you think about it ?

Best regards

Koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by dolik.rce on Thu, 21 Jan 2010 12:56:22 GMT
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Hi Koldo,

IMHO: Moderated discussion with agenda and all the related stuff is necessary if we want to use those meetings to solve problems and lay out direction for next development.

But I also believe that outside of these official meetings, anyone can chat about anything. There should be no problem to maintain the IRC room opened all the time (I can be there whenever I'm on-line, thats just few clicks in pidgin settings). Also unofficial meetings every other week as proposed by mrjt seem like a good idea to me.

Best regards,
Honza

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Posted by koldo on Thu, 21 Jan 2010 15:44:49 GMT
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Hello Honza

Quote:But I also believe that outside of these official meetings, anyone can chat about anything. There should be no problem to maintain the IRC room opened all the time (I can be there whenever I'm on-line, thats just few clicks in pidgin settings).
Of course. It is like private messages (PM), but using chat.

Quote:Also unofficial meetings every other week as proposed by mrjt seem like a good idea to me.
Me too. Really the goals are different:

- No agenda
An open chat to share ideas, like a brain storming

- Monothematic

To enter deep in one subject. For example: Upp and Mac OSX development

- With agenda
There are in the agenda the problem and probably some proposed solutions.
As there are only few minutes per subject, the attendees vote the solution.

The problem with chat meeting like IRC, ICQ, ets is that there are few time so or there are few subjects or few minutes per subject.

We would have to choose the kind of meeting before if we want to take advantage of the time and not being disappointed

Best regards
Koldo

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by mirek on Thu, 21 Jan 2010 21:31:50 GMT
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Not sure where to post this, but one of biggest issues quoted in the last meeting was theide help system.

I have exploited some minutes when not skiing or too tired and asleep of skiing and tried to improve there. Searched words now are properly higlighted and there is up/down navigation for them.

I hope this is the step in the right direction.

More comments about meetings:

I believe that the date/time should be announced here.

I also think that maybe we should still have "general issues" part and also "report of progress" part of the meeting. Talk is cheap, let us show some code...

Mirek

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by koldo on Fri, 22 Jan 2010 07:25:32 GMT
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Quote:Searched words now are properly higlighted and there is up/down navigation for them.

Great news !

Subject: Re: Upp meeting on next Tuesday 12
Posted by Didier on Fri, 22 Jan 2010 18:34:11 GMT
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Quote:
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Great
Works fine   and fast !