

Unified Communications and Collaboration Roadmap

#### What Is The IMCCA?

#### Interactive Multimedia and Collaborative Communications Alliance

- Non-profit, technology neutral
- Focus on all multimedia & collaboration
- Increase awareness & branding
- Unification of organizations & interests
- Further learning objectives

- Industry Alliances
- Networking Opportunities
- Monthly Newsletter
- Educational Opportunities
- Special Interest Groups



Free Membership For End Users
Many Benefits for Vendor Members

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## Who am I?



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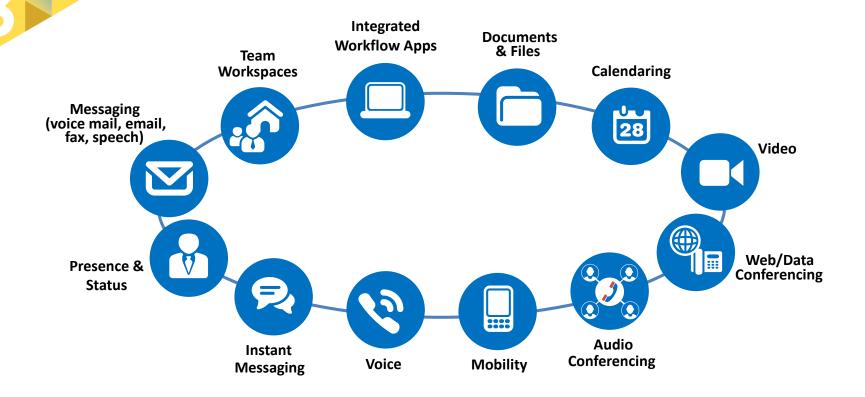
## **Unified Communications Defined**

Internet Search: 1.59M responses @ 0.48s

• Wikipedia: Unified Communications (UC) is a marketing buzzword describing the integration of realtime, enterprise, communication services such as instant messaging (chat), presence information, voice (including IP telephony), mobility features (including extension mobility and single number reach), audio, web & video ...



## **Unified Communications - Connecting People**







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# UC Has Been Achieved, Right?

- Pundits like to say otherwise
  - Always easy to highlight the imperfect



- Vendors?
  - Some monolithic desires remain, but...
- Customers?
  - So many living a different reality; aren't you?







## Historic UC Challenges, Overcome

- Connectivity.... SIP
- Security.... Encryption standards & edge servers
- Dialing Plan.... Active Directory integration
- End User Familiarity.... Wealth of applications
- And on....







# New Hurdles or Opportunities

- The evolving workspace
  - WFH, Huddle Rooms, Share Work Spaces
- BYOD Integration
- The 'millennial impact'
- The continued rise of Visual







# **Every 60 Seconds**



### **Annually**

- 54B+ Snapchats
- 1.8B+ Instagrams
- 37M+ Video Hours
- 700B+ Skype Minutes







# And Let's Not Forget...











# So Who is Getting it Right?

And how are they doing it?





# Say NO to Failure?

Pitfalls to avoid





# So, What's the Future of 'UC'?

- Business workflow integration?
- Enhanced quality of experience?
- Simplified user engagement?
- Value-add via cloud-delivered services?
- 'Smart' integration with the IoT?
- New technologies on the horizon?







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# **Thank You**