

# SNIA Liaison Report to T10 September 2004

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# SNIA Overview

- Planning for Fall SNW
  - Oct 25-28, 2004 in Orlando
  - Solutions Area/Demo's, & Marketing and PR
    - Contact Tom Mancuso at [democoord@snia.org](mailto:democoord@snia.org)
- SNIA New 3 Year Strategic Plan created
  - End User Council identified Top 10 Pain Points from End-user survey
  - <http://www.snia.org/news/newsletter/email/2004/07/plan/>
- IP Storage On-The-Road IT Educational Series – Fall 2004
  - Begins in September: Atlanta, Toronto, Montreal and New Jersey
- SNIA-Canada launched
- New certification & hands-on education program:
  - <http://www.snia.org/news/newsletter/2004/07/tci/>

# SNIA Overview

- New Technology Center Institute
  - Major education initiative
  - Wide range of regularly scheduled courses
  - Subjects range from SAN Basics to Advanced FC Switching and Advanced IP Storage, from 1 day to 1 week
  - Also a number of SMI classes including advanced SMI Developers Course to be held 11/29-12/2
    - See [http://www.snia.org/tech\\_center/adv\\_smi\\_course/](http://www.snia.org/tech_center/adv_smi_course/)
  - See [http://www.snia.org/tech\\_center/institute](http://www.snia.org/tech_center/institute)
  - Online registration available

# SMI-S Status Update

- Initial draft of SMI-S 1.1.x successfully integrated by TWGs
  - Key additions include: Volume Management, iSCSI, NAS, Policy, Cascading, Host Discovered Resources and Ownership

# SMI-S Status Update

- SMI-Lab5
  - Held 2nd of six plugfests
    - 44 attendees from 20 companies attended
  - For latest info see [http://www.snia.org/smi/tech\\_activities/smilab/smilab5](http://www.snia.org/smi/tech_activities/smilab/smilab5)
  - Press Release scheduled in August
- Continued progress creating and validating the phase II CTP test suite
  - Includes tests for HBA, In Band Virtualization, Copy Services, SLP Discovery etc.

# SMI-S Status Update

- SMI Database
  - Contains info on provider and client implementations, testing facilities and results, etc.
  - <http://smi.snia.org/smiweb>
    - Needs a special login to access (I'm told to NOT have to be a SNIA member)
    - For access & assistance send an email to [smidehelp@snia.org](mailto:smidehelp@snia.org)
- For all SMI info see <http://www.snia.org/smi>

# Upcoming Events

- **Education**
  - Storage Management Summit, Dec 7-9, 2004  
Miami, FL
- Next SNIA symposium will be held in January 2005 in San Jose, CA (fall symposium has been canceled)

# For further information

- For the latest SNIA happenings
  - [www.snia.org](http://www.snia.org)
- SNIA Forums and Technical Working Groups (TWGs) meet mostly by conference calls
  - Some groups meet weekly
  - Have to be a member to participate, see the web site for details