ANSA Management Board

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Agenda

- Welcome, minutes, matters arising

- Consortium Status

- Technical Progress Summary

- Management Report
  - Costs / Effort / Deliverables

- Patents

- Final Meeting

Consortium Status

- Everyone up to date with payments

- Membership query from OpenConnexion
    - low probability

    - debt plus 2 year's fees to have exploitation rights

People changes

- Douglas Donaldson left APM

    - FollowMe Persistent Information Space work complete

- Laurence Jordan joined ANSA team

    - Security integration

- Peter Bagnall seconded from BT
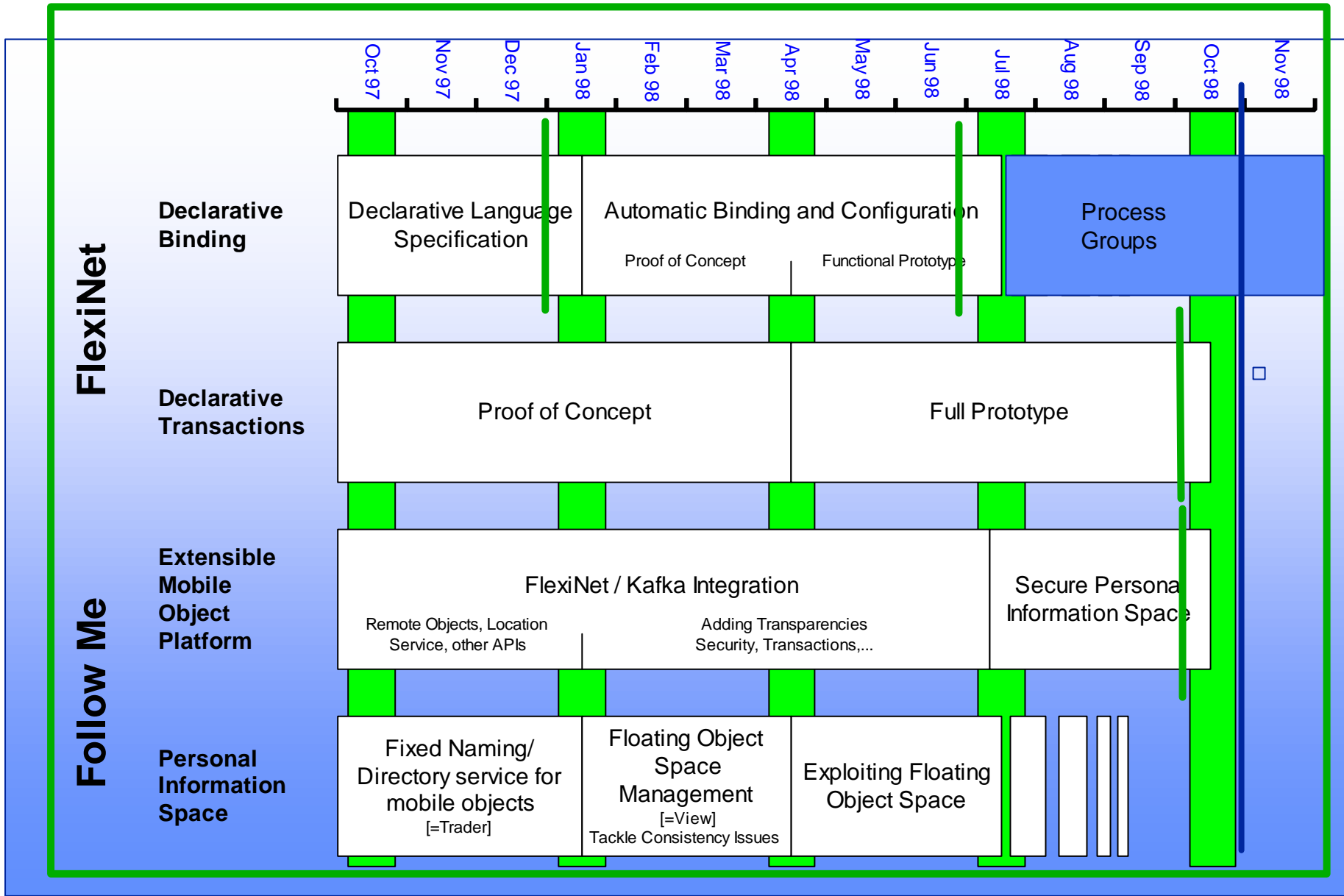
    - Policy-driven binding

Last Time

- Integration of Security
- Integration of Transactions and FlexiNet
- Use these to investigate security and consistency aspects of information space
- Peter Bagnall's contribution on binding
- Considering possibility of some work on replication
- Support and extensions for FollowMe partners

Overall Summary

- *FollowMe* on schedule
    - MOW now "on maintenance"
    - secure mobile object integration and enhancement
    - Final revision of Architecture Document

- *Declarative Transactions* on schedule

- New investigation of *Process Groups* in FlexiNet

- *Automatic Binding* back on schedule

- Final documents

Gantt chart / project timeline:

	Oct 97	Nov 97	Dec 97	Jan 98	Feb 98	Mar 98	Apr 98	May 98	Jun 98	Jul 98	Aug 98	Sep 98	Oct 98	Nov 98

FlexiNet

Declarative Binding
- Declarative Language Specification
- Automatic Binding and Configuration
  - Proof of Concept
  - Functional Prototype
- Process Groups

Declarative Transactions
- Proof of Concept
- Full Prototype

Follow Me

Extensible Mobile Object Platform
- FlexiNet / Kafka Integration
  - Remote Objects, Location Service, other APIs
  - Adding Transparencies Security, Transactions,...
- Secure Personal Information Space

Personal Information Space
- Fixed Naming/ Directory service for mobile objects [=Trader]
- Floating Object Space Management [=View] Tackle Consistency Issues
- Exploiting Floating Object Space

Costs / Effort

	July	August	Sept	Total	Man years	
Income £	24500	22500	22500	69500	0.65	
Effort hrs	755	573	985	2963	1.41	
Planned	798	798	798	3192	1.94	
Diff	-43	-225	187	-229		

- Planned effort = ANSA income + ESPRIT income (see spreadsheet)
- Technical Staff:
  - Andrew Herbert, Richard Hayton, Zixhue Wu, Douglas Donaldson, Takanori Ugai, Will Harwood, Laurence Jordan, Dave Otway, Peter Bagnall

Patents

- Citrix would like to protect ANSA IPR

- Investigating potential patents in current work

- If patents are progressed, royalty-free licenses will be granted to current sponsors as required by ANSA Consortium Agreement

ANSA Wrap Up

- Final release of ANSA code
  - end all work late December
  - technical reports on designs
- Freeze and tidy up document system, reports, presentations
- Final FollowMe deliverables (March)
- Keep web site alive until June
- Send out archive on CD

Final Event

- Late January
- Workshop?
  - Content - last tech board? Retrospect? forward look?
  - speakers - OMG, academic
- Party?
  - Location
  - Format - dinner? Buffer? guest speaker? fireworks?
  - Guests - current ANSA, old ANSA?
  - Memorabilia?