

MVS Core Technologies Project (MVSE) Opening and WSC Hot Topics

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Our Purpose

The MVS Core Technologies Project is concerned with a broad spectrum of mainframe-related topics that provide in-depth exploration of IBM's flagship platform in both the hardware and software realms. Hardware areas of interest include System z processor, zBX/blades, HMC/zManager, coupling facilities, time services, and I/O connectivity. Software areas of interest include z/OS operating system components, subsystems and applications such as RSM, VSM, IOS, Parallel Sysplex, JES2, JES3, TSO/E, ISPF, z/OS UNIX, zFS, Ported Tools, z/OSMF, and enterprise presentation solutions such as Infoprint. Advanced sessions will discuss architecture, installation, configuration, migration, service, problem determination, and exploitation of the latest System z and z/OS capabilities. Tools such as ServerPac, HCD/HCM, SMP/E, IPCS, and others are regularly discussed. The Project also offers sessions for those who are new to the platform, intended to help them quickly integrate into their environment and acquire mainframe skills and understanding of the platform, especially in z/OS.

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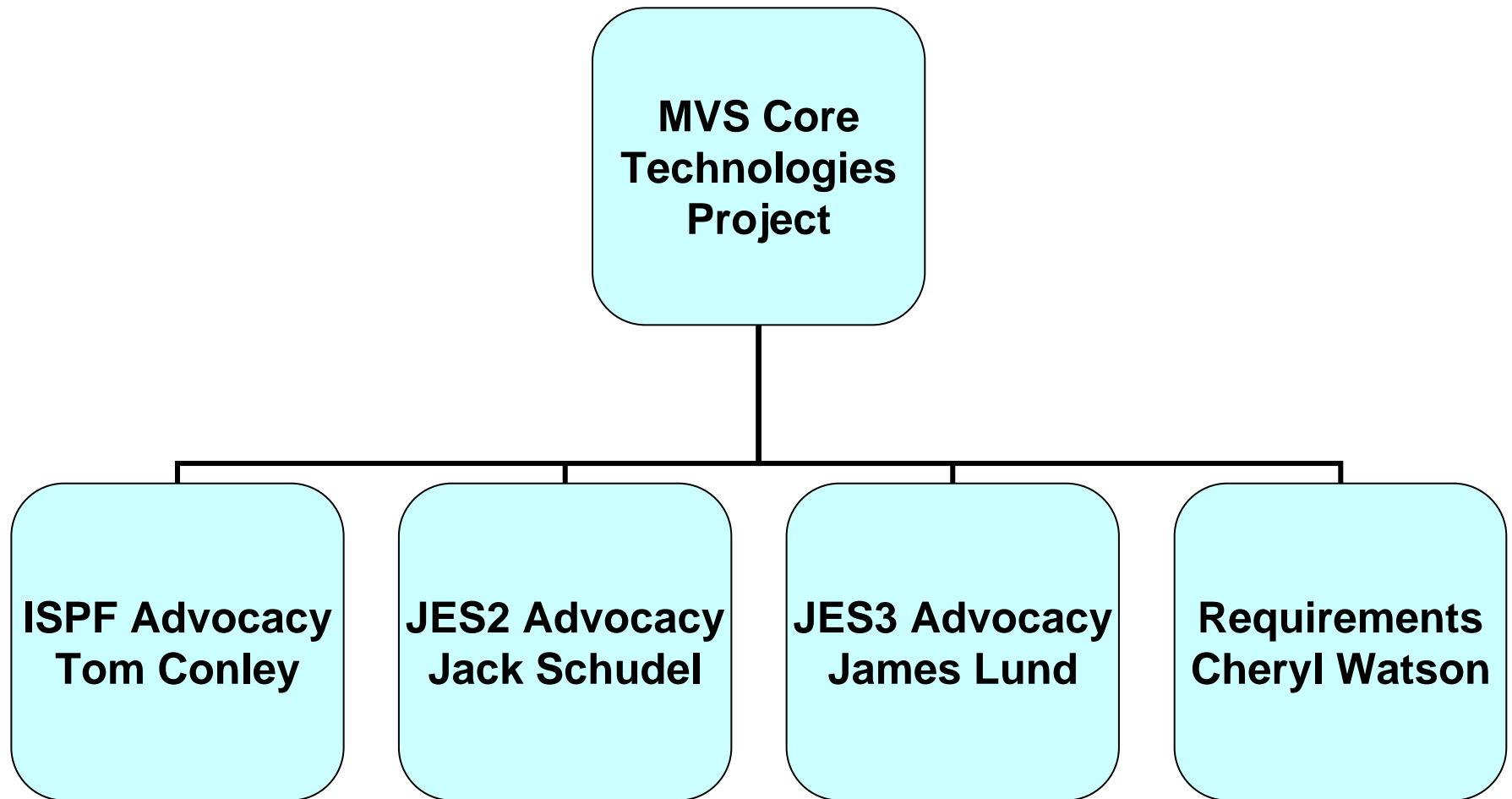
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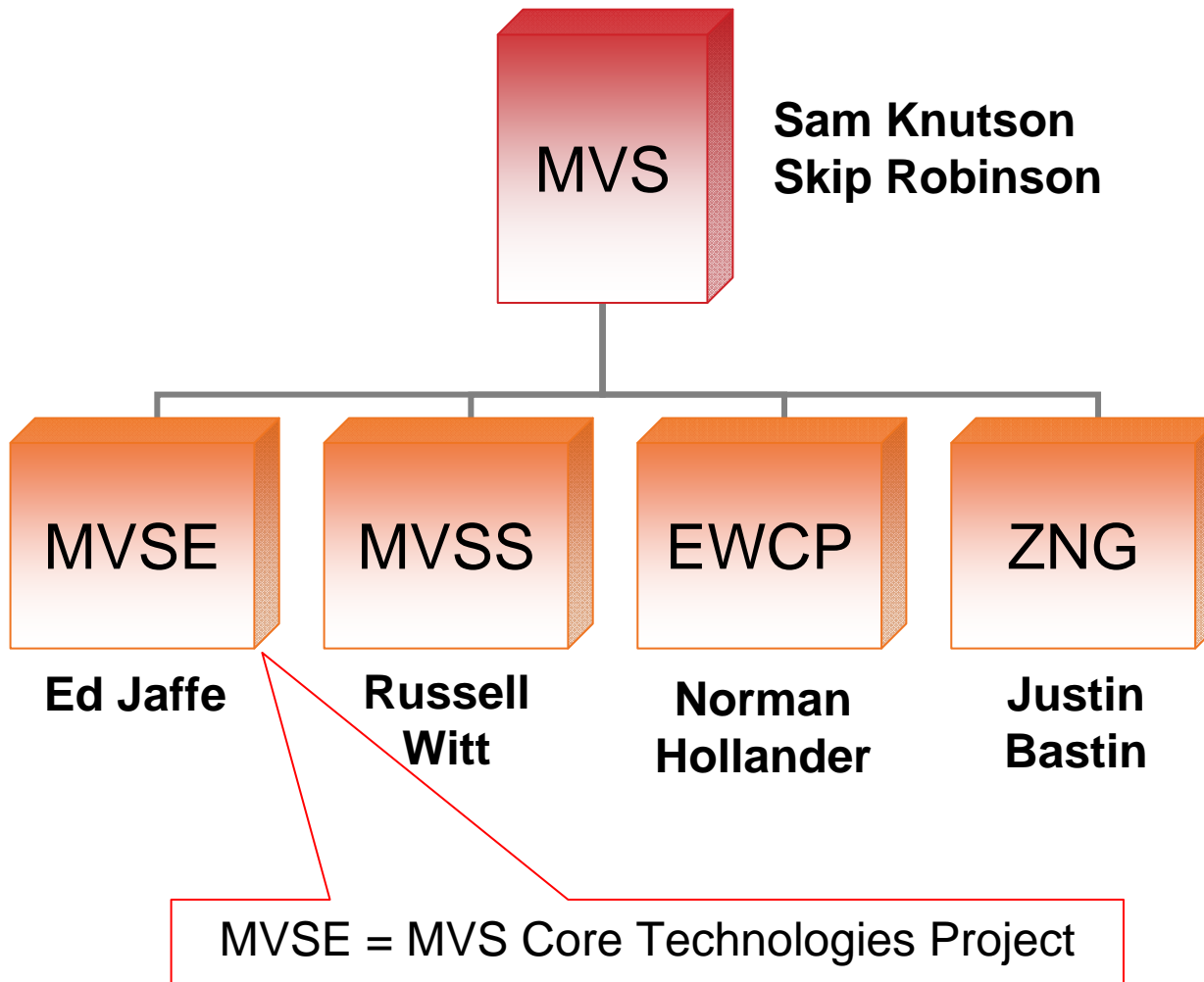
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MVS Program Organization & Leadership



- MVSE Project Opening and WSC Hot Topics– 11 AM in Platinum Ballroom 5
- MVSS Project Opening and Keynote– 1:30 PM in Grand Ballroom H
- EWCP Project Opening and ATS z/OS Hot Topics– 1:30 PM in Platinum Ballroom 1
- ZNG Project Opening and Keynote– 3 PM in Grand Ballroom H

Anaheim Schedule Overview

- I went to the SHARE in Anaheim online schedule and searched for sessions sponsored by the MVS Core Technologies Project. My search returned 64 non-lab sessions (Monday through Friday)!
- Across all of SHARE there are hundreds of great sessions.
- Where possible, similar topics are grouped within a single day. These “mini-themes” should make it easy to get the information you need on any particular topic of interest. We arrange those sessions so there is never a conflict (barring last-minute session replacements).
- IBM is active. ISVs are active. Customers are active. This is a great time to be involved with the System z platform!

Anaheim Schedule Overview

- The changed z/OS release schedule (every other year) has been a “blessing in disguise” for the MVS Core Technologies Project.
- Ordinarily, a disproportionate percentage of our sessions are dedicated to installing and deploying the upcoming or recently GAed z/OS release.
- We now have time to delve more deeply into topics that will help installations provide more function to their users, be more resilient, take advantage of the qualities of service z/OS is known for, and better stand up to competing platforms.

New 'Deep Dive' IBM Prime-Time Content

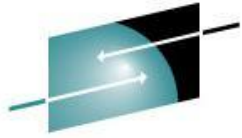
- Everything You Always Needed to Know About zEnterprise Server Firmware Support and Maintenance
- JES2 Performance Considerations
- Ficon Basics - Ficon under the Hood
- Recent z/OS Enhancements You Can Use to Reduce Down Time
- Automatic Restart Manager (ARM)
- Improving z/OS I/O Resiliency
- JES3 SYSOUT: How It Works and How to Manage It
- zFS Diagnosis: Parts I & II
- BCPii Programming Beyond the Basics for the z/OS Sysprog
- What are All These JES2 NJE Options? (The A-Zs of NJE)
- The z/OS GRS Serialization "Jack of All Trades" Tools
- Diagnosing Sysplex Problems

MVS Program Survey

Your Participation Requested

- The survey contains a list of z/OS enhancements that we think should be implemented in most installations. Many of these aren't implemented and we'd like your input to understand why.
- Projects will use the survey results to help adapt session focus in these areas. The list itself is very interesting and you'll be able to compare your installation to others after the survey concludes.
- Go to <http://www.share.org/MVS> and use your existing SHARE login and password, or click the link at the bottom of the page for reset options. From <http://www.share.org>, you can also select *Our Community*, and then select the *MVS Program* as the Area of Interest.
- You may participate anonymously if you prefer.

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MVS Program

The MVS Program is concerned with the installation, maintenance, management, performance, and exploitation of z/OS on System z processors. The Program focuses on traditional areas of interest such as new z/OS releases and new processors as well as leading-edge topics like 64-bit storage, the System z Application Assist Processor (zAAP), the System z Integrated Information Processor (zIIP), WebSphere on z/OS, UNIX System Services, and Linux on System z.

**** New ** [MVS Program z/OS Interest and Experience Survey](#)** (Please join the community before responding. Click 'Join Community' below right)

The SHARE MVS Program has created a survey to determine which topics to include in upcoming conferences. The survey contains a list of z/OS enhancements that we think should be implemented in most installations. Many of these aren't implemented, and we're trying to determine the reason. The list itself is very interesting, and you'll be able to compare your installation to others after the survey concludes.

The Program is comprised of the following projects:

- Enterprise-Wide Capacity and Performance Project
- MVS Core Technologies Project
- MVS Storage Management Project
- zNextGen


Now available in our file library: [Every Bit Bucket](#) from *every* SHARE!

Mon Jul 30	Tue Jul 31	Wed Aug 01	Thu Aug 02	Fri Aug 03	Sat Aug 04	Sun Aug 05
No meetings scheduled this week						

[▼ Blogs](#)

MVS Membership

Join the MVS Program!



User-Driven Sessions (What SHARE Is Known For)



- zCurrency is YOUR Currency - A z/OS Release Update
- Configuring Health Checker for z/OS Hands-on Lab
- Using z/OS System Symbols - User Experience
- Saving Your Caller's Registers - Not Your Father's Save Area
- A Different Way to Perform z/OS Maintenance
- zHPF Demystified, Update and User Experience (Joint)
- z/OSMF Software Deployment Application - User Experience (Joint)
- z/OSMF User Experience (Joint)
- An Experienced ISPF User Shares His Secrets
- SMF 101 - Everything You Should Know and More
- Cheryl's Hot Flashes #28
- Bit Bucket x'2B'

Other New Content That Caught My Eye

- MVS/QuickRef - Beyond The Basics of QW
- Configuring and Exploiting the New Infoprint Server FromAFP Transforms
- The What and Why of System z Millicode
- z/OS Debugging: Everything You Need to Know to Shoot an 0C4
- CA Recommended Service, FIXCAT Exploitation, and Other Enhancements to CA Service Delivery
- Installing ISV Mainframe Products through a Web Browser with CA MSM: Update and User Experiences
- BSAM, QSAM, and BPAM Support of zHPF
- z/OS Running on a Laptop: RDz Developer & Test Environment Update and User Experience
- End-to-End IBM Service Support Web Portals
- Cloud with zEnterprise: Aligned with your IT
- zEnterprise Economics

Highlight: zEnterprise Update and Positioning with PureSystems

- Presented by Greg Lotko, VP & Business Line Executive of System z Division for IBM STG.
- Tuesday @ 11AM in Salon H.
- “This session will help you understand the various Hybrid computing strategies available on zEnterprise as well as the addition of optional appliances. This will be key to customers who want to understand the overall zEnterprise direction, and how this is relevant to them. Working examples of other customer successes will be provided, and a technical and business explanation of how this may be a valuable investment strategy for you as well. For those clients trying to understand why you would select one Hybrid option over another, a clear positioning will be provided.”
- Greg has indicated he will take questions!

Kudos

- This is a tremendous undertaking and we are volunteers. Please join me in thanking the rest of the planning team for organizing an outstanding agenda: Dave Whitney & Steve Warren from IBM, Tom Conley, Gordon Daniel, James Lund, and Jack Schudel.

z/OS Requirements: Influencing IBM Development, Wednesday 6PM, Grand Ballroom G



- Requirements Committee: Cheryl Watson (Chair), Dave Whitney (IBM), Brad Carson, Tom Conley, Ed Jaffe, Robert Jenkins, Sam Knutson, Mary Anne Matyaz, Bill Smith.
- In this session Cheryl Watson will present the latest information from the committee, including an update on the “Top 39”. Then, Steve Warren from IBM will provide IBM responses to recent requirements. There should be ample time for open discussion.
- The SHARE requirements process is how YOU help to influence IBM’s development priorities to get the functions we all need implemented. Attend this session, even if only to listen. Then come to dinner with us...

Wednesday Night Project Dinner at: Joe's Crab Shack



12011 Harbor Boulevard
Garden Grove, CA 92840
(714) 703-0505

- Reservation for 50+ people at 7:30PM
- Must confirm final count by noon Wednesday.
- Can walk (1.0 mile) or share a taxi with others.
- If you sign up, don't blow us off! >8-0

- One check per table, settle as you see fit. Gratuity included.
- Order from standard menu.
- No minimum purchase required.
- See Marna Walle (aka "The Hostess with the Mostest") to sign up.
- Meet in Marriott Lobby @ 7:00PM. Not at the restaurant.

Our Speaker This Morning

- z/OS Hot Topics from Bette Brody (IBM WSC Advanced Technical Skills and IBM Project Representative)
- Remember, in all sessions:
 - Mute cell phones, pagers & PCs.
 - Take phone calls OUTSIDE – away from the door!
 - Fill out the session evaluation forms (extremely important).
 - We read all comments you make.
- On-line session evaluations (Web/PDA/Smartphone):
 - At bottom of every slide: <http://www.share.org/AnaheimEval>
 - SESSION CHAIRS STILL NEEDED! Please volunteer! See Ed Jaffe for MVS Core Technologies or any of the other Project managers of their respective Projects.
- Enjoy the week at SHARE!