

Federation Membership Policy Groups

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Asset Management Group **AMG**

The Asset Management Group of The Federation is a group of audit and asset management tool publishers and service providers who have come together to collectively provide expert advice and guidance to corporate end users and FAST Corporate Services members. The group was established to increase awareness of the benefits that can be derived by effective software asset management and the technical, cultural and organisational issues that need to be addressed to implement it successfully.

The group holds free, product neutral workshops and seminars throughout the year. Dates and venues are announced in *FASTtalk*, the Events circular and *FASTforward*. These publications also contain articles and special features contributed by group members. Information about members of the group and details of events held can be found at www.fast.org.uk/assetgroup.asp



IT Security Group **ITSG**

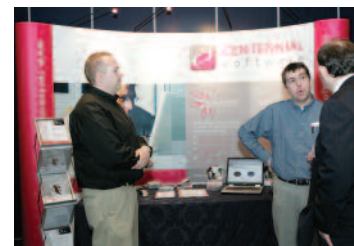
Security is a hot topic both inside and outside the workplace. The IT Security Group aims to educate organisations in how "To provide a Secure and Efficient Environment for the Workplace." Members of the ITSG embrace all aspects of security in the IT environment and provide advice and guidance on current and emerging threats and solutions.

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Certified Reseller Group **CRG**

The aim of the Certified Reseller Group is to increase the integrity and professionalism of resellers who provide business end users with legitimate software. Members of this group are trained on the legal complexities of licensing and also learn about the FAST Standard for Software Compliance (FSSC1: 2007) which FAST Corporate Members go through, so that they are able to support their customers who are working towards the Standard.

A list of reseller members, including CRG members, can be found at: www.fast.org.uk/memberlist.asp?s=distributor



For further information on Group options or any other aspect of membership please contact **Breda O'Shea, Director of Membership** on +44 (0)1628 622121 or via email at info@fast.org.uk

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Federation Legal Advisory Group **FLAG**

The Legal Advisory Group has been established almost as long as the Federation itself and consists of lawyers from many of the UK's leading IP practices.

FLAG meets several times each year to network, receive presentations on pertinent topics and review legal developments affecting the software industry in the UK, to determine whether action is required to alert appropriate governmental and other agencies to the industry's position. With The Federation, FLAG makes submissions to Government and the European Commission on various proposed directives. In 2007 FLAG made a substantial contribution to Gower's review on Intellectual Property.

A full list of members is available at www.fast.org.uk/flag.asp



Software Publisher Group **SPG**

The Software Publisher group at The Federation aims to run occasional meetings, seminars and/or events which we believe will be of interest, and add value to Federation members who are Software Publishers. Their objective is to provide members with useful insight into emerging trends that affect licensing and copyright and to encourage networking and collaboration between members for their mutual interest and benefit.

We look to harness the knowledge of our member base to provide "Thought Leadership" on emerging technologies and issues. In the programme for 2008 we will be looking at the impact of virtualisation on software licensing and asset management practices. Current plans include a one day event exploring the issues, and the publication of a user guide. We will also be looking at software as a service, and plan an event which will include a debate on the implications for a company's business model of moving to this service approach, as well as the technical delivery options.



Delegates and Speakers at AMG Event, F1 Williams Centre, Wantage

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