
Subject: scheduleformat / periodformat

Posted by [Joachim.Rubröder](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2003 08:26:38 GMT

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Greetings from Zurich,
Joachim Rubröder (SMA)

Subject: Re: scheduleformat / periodformat

Posted by [thomas.kauer](#) on Wed, 15 Oct 2003 14:52:53 GMT

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Hello,

I agree with Joachim Rubröder. If possible we should use an existing standard format for times and durations and with the standard mentioned below it should be possible to cover all our needs.

Greetings from Bern
Thomas Kauer

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