Wireless Mini-Summit Report

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Meetings

Two different meetings this year!

- Berlin
 - June in Germany!
 - Co-located with FUDCon...
 - Lots of wireless developers in Europe!
- Portland
 - September in Portland...
 - Co-located with Netconf!
 - Lots of Intel developers in Portland, LinuxCon / LPC too!

More travel for me and a few others, but enabled greater participation. . .

Participation

Broad participation...

- 3 dozen unique participants, 6 were at both meetings
- Several vendors represented (Atheros, Intel, Nokia)
- Several driver teams represented (ath5k, ath9k, iwlwifi, libertas, rt2x00)
- Multiple distributions represented (Fedora, Moblin, SuSE, Ubuntu, Maemo)
- Major userland apps represented (wpa_supplicant, NetworkManager, ConnMan)
- Bluetooth and WiMAX represented as well

Group maintains strong working relationships, friendly relations!

Results

So, what are the outcomes?

- cfg80211 finally getting traction!
 - Several drivers have at least partial implementations. . .
 - Identified some last bits needed / wanted...
 - "Officially" deprecated wireless extensions!
- Overview of 802.11 standards activity...
- Discussion of Bluetooth 3, proposal for frequency broker component...
- Lots of discussion of userland interface needs / improvements...
- Other more technical discussions. . .

Of course, the most important result is the establishment and maintenance of good working relationships between all the participants!

Questions

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Got any?
Slides available:
http://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/kernel/people/
linville/ksummit2009/
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