LETSI SCORM 2.0: Call for White Papers

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White Paper on general questions and issues

"How can we ensure sustainability of SCORM 2.0?"

This is a general contribution to the on-going process and discussion about the future of SCORM 2.0.
Therefore the suggested organization for a White Paper is not fitting to this purpose.
I hope for your understanding and agreement.

In general SCORM 2.0 should facilitate and improve daily and long-term business.
There must be a benefit for both E-Learning providers and E-Learning users to request, implement and follow the SCORM 2.0 specification.
The plan is that SCORM 2.0 will be developed by LETSI. To ensure a broad acceptance and application this development process should be open for all interested experts and all other E-Learning standardization bodies and initiatives should be invited and involved.

At the moment there are two main challenges:
- the diverse multiplicity of E-Learning standards and specifications also developed by many standardization bodies and initiatives and
- the lack of 100% technical and operational interoperability amongst all these E-Learning standards and specifications.

The harmonization of the existing standards and specification and of the on-going standardization projects by all standardization bodies and initiatives is key point.

Such integration would need a basis of a common consensus on the future development of E-Learning standards and specifications.

Therefore the main tasks and objectives for SCORM 2.0 as well as for the whole international E-Learning standardization community are:

1. To develop methods and requirements by global consensus to ensure 100% technical and operational interoperability for one E-Learning standard or specification within any possible system, environment and scenario,
2. To develop methods and requirements by global consensus to combine E-Learning standards and specifications (also different types of standards as technical, metadata or quality standards) ensuring 100% technical and operational interoperability amongst all these E-Learning standards and specifications.

This should be done in close co-operation between all E-Learning standardization bodies and initiatives. Now is the time and it is up to us to take the chance.