

# Using OpenTravel Tools

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# Agenda

- Webinars
- Forum
- Wiki
- MUG, Release Notes, and Implementation Guide
- Model Viewer / Online XML Schemas
- Mailing Lists
- Message Registration Program



# OpenTravel Webinars

- Introduction to OpenTravel
- Content: An operational overview of organizational structure and procedures
- Audience: Non-members and members new to OpenTravel
- Introduction to OpenTravel Schema
- Content: A technical overview on usage and architecture
- Audience: Members only; developers, engineers, and architects



# OpenTravel Webinars

- When offered:
  - Nearly monthly, schedule of dates and times posted on [www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org)
    - Scroll down and under “Announcements”, click on [OpenTravel Announces Webinars for 2010](#)
- How to attend/register:
  - Send an e-mail to [info@opentravel.org](mailto:info@opentravel.org) with date and title of desired seminar



# OpenTravel Forum

- An extensive web-based discussion forum, useful for
  - asking questions
  - accessing documentation
  - subscribing to lists
  - seeing tools and products
- Topics moderated by OpenTravel professionals
  - Responses to questions provided within 24 hours (Monday through Friday)



# OpenTravel Forum

- Main topics, roughly correspond to travel segments / work groups:
  - Architecture
  - Hospitality
  - Transport
  - Travel Services
  - Tours and Activities
  - Implementers Discussion
  - OpenTravel Documentation
- Other topics / actions:
  - Subscribe to Mailing Lists
  - Events & Announcements
  - Feedback
  - OpenTravel Showcase



# OpenTravel Forum

- Audience: Members only; technical- and business-level users
- How to access:
  - From OpenTravel ([www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org))
    - Click on “forum” (in the blue menu bar)
  - From the Wiki ([wiki.opentravel.org](http://wiki.opentravel.org))
    - Under the “Implementation” column heading and then in the “Implementation Help” section, click on “OpenTravel Forum”



# OpenTravel Wiki

- Website knowledge base for development and implementation of the OpenTravel specification
  - Promotes collaboration among project teams
  - Provides an open forum for members and implementers
  - Allows access to development and implementation resources
  - Allows access to the OpenTravel calendar and publication schedules
- Audience: Non-members (limited access) and members; technical- and business-level users



# OpenTravel Wiki

- How to access:
  - From OpenTravel ([www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org))
    - Click on “members only” (in the blue menu bar)
    - Under the “OpenTravel Wiki” heading, click on “Click here for access” \* OR \*
  - Go directly to the Wiki ([wiki.opentravel.org](http://wiki.opentravel.org))
    - In the upper right corner, click on “Log in / create account”
  - Requests for access approved within 24 hours



# OpenTravel MUG

- MUG = Message Users Guide
- Audience: non-members and members; technical- and business-level users
- How to access:
  - Published with each specification release and included in the spec file download
- Supports all cycles of an OpenTravel-enabled system implementation
- A document that contains message descriptions
  - and much more...



# OpenTravel MUG

- Provides
  - Point-and-click index of business functionality and use cases for each message
  - Links to each message data dictionary
  - Extended message scenarios
  - Updated “Introduction and Getting Started” section with links to OpenTravel resources as well as third-party standards referenced in messages
  - Point-and-click access to online message sample use case instances



# OpenTravel Release Notes

- A document that summarizes all changes to published schema
- Provides a detailed schema path to new/altered complex types, elements, attribute groups, attributes, enumerations
- Identifies messages no longer backward compatible / had major version change
- Audience: non-members and members
- How to access:
  - Published with each specification release and included in the spec file download



# OpenTravel Implementation Guide

- A document that describes and references all development and implementation resources
- Audience: Members only; technical- and business-level users
- How to access:
  - From the Wiki ([wiki.opentravel.org](http://wiki.opentravel.org))
    - Under the “Implementation” column heading and then in the “Implementation Help” section, click on “Implementation Guide”



# OpenTravel Model Viewer

- A schema documentation application
  - Transforms plain XML schema files into cross-referenced, hyperlinked HTML documents
  - Provides a detailed, functional report for each schema component
  - Integrates sample files and code lists
  - Allows effortless navigation through a large collection of XML vocabulary



# OpenTravel Model Viewer

- Audience: Non-members and members
- How to access:
  - From OpenTravel ([www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org))
    - Click on “specifications” (in the blue menu bar), next on “OpenTravel Model Viewer” in the list on the left, and then on the desired version
  - From the Wiki ([wiki.opentravel.org](http://wiki.opentravel.org))
    - Under the “Implementation” column heading and then in the “Specification” section, click on “Online Model Viewer”



# OpenTravel Online XML Schemas

- Deployed as a publicly-available URL
- Intended for reference, not production use or for validation
- Allow more convenient viewing via any browser
- Audience: Non-members and members
- How to access:
  - From OpenTravel ([www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org))
    - Click on “specifications” (in the blue menu bar), next on “Online XML Schema” in the list on the left, and then the desired spec release date



# OpenTravel Mailing Lists

- Inform members of calls and meetings
- Are specific to work groups and committees
- Useful to request new code list values
- Audience: Members only
- How to access:
  - From the Wiki ([wiki.opentravel.org](http://wiki.opentravel.org))
    - Under the “Implementation” column heading and then in the “Implementation Help” section, click on “OpenTravel Forum” and then “Subscribe to Mailing List”



# OpenTravel Message Registration

- Declares your company's production implementation of OpenTravel messages
- Shows your support of OpenTravel standards
- Is *\*free\** to members!
- Gives your company exposure on OpenTravel website
- Provides personal notification of major changes to messages you've implemented
- Allows use of OpenTravel "registered member" logo for marketing purposes



# OpenTravel Message Registration

- Audience: Members only
- How to access:
  - From OpenTravel ([www.opentravel.org](http://www.opentravel.org))
    - Click on “members only” (in the blue menu bar), and then on “Registration Program” in the list on the left
    - Scroll down to the bottom and fill in the information under “Message Registration Request” to obtain the registration spreadsheet



# OpenTravel Message Registration

- Simple process for member:
  - Request registration template
  - Complete Excel spreadsheet form
  - Submit form and company logo
  - Respond to any questions
- Registration is posted to website
- Master list is updated with usage information



# Q & A

