Focus areas

There are two focus areas:

- Community Building
- Improvements / Features

Community Building

Community Building
What has been done already after OOo conf Koper 05

- A week long OpenOffice.org developer meeting in Hamburg with developers from Novell, Intel, Red Hat, Google, Propylon

- More Sun employees present on IRC channel

- Setup of a Wiki as a content collaboration platform
  - > http://wiki.services.openoffice.org/

- OpenOffice.org QA meeting in Germany: ~20 participants

- Conducted another OOo survey

- Increased priority for integrating community patches

Patch handling

Defined two metrics to measure patch handling:

- **Initial Response Time**
  (IRT, describes the time between submission and first comment or status change from someone else than the submitter for open issues of type PATCH):
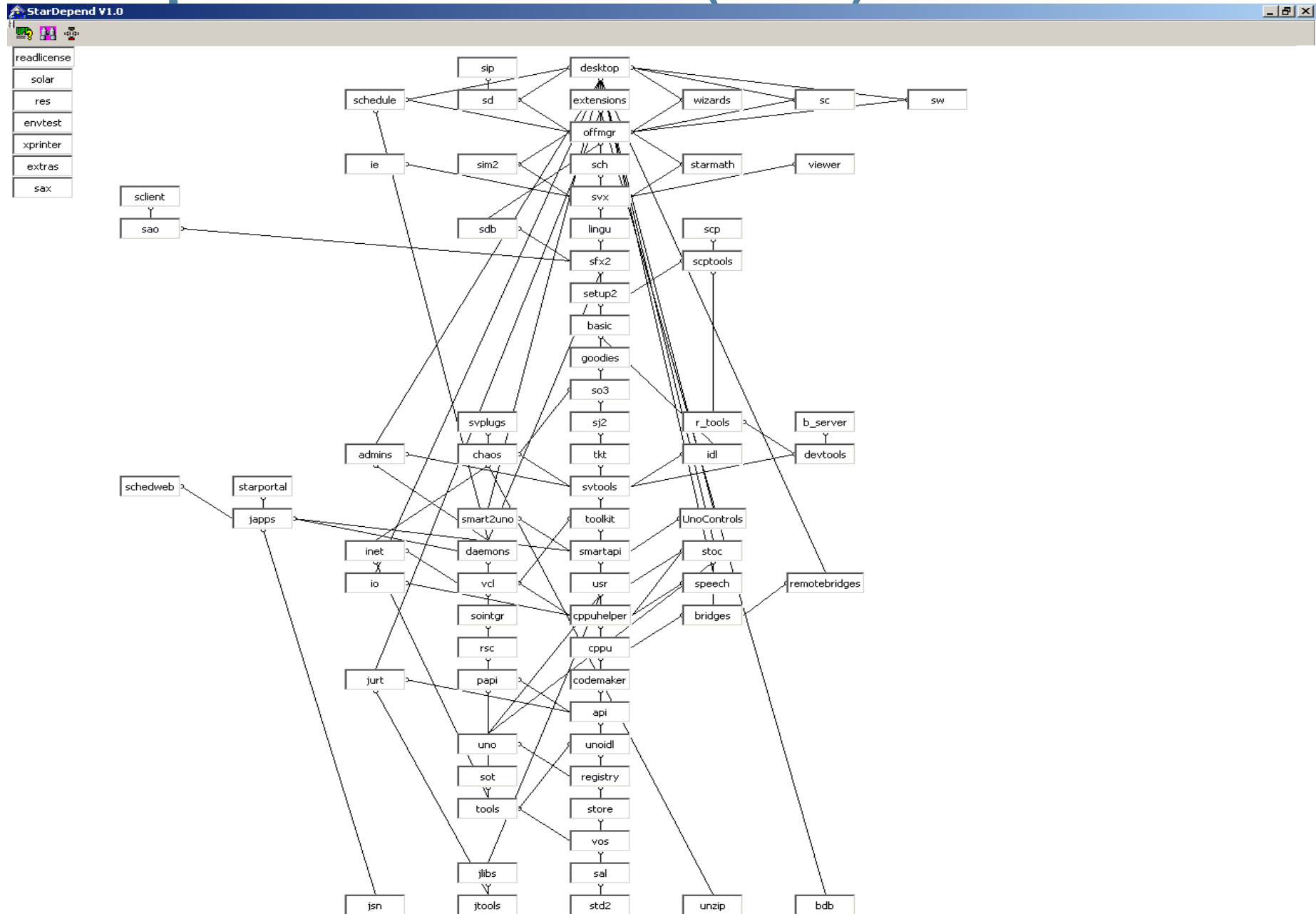 - > Average IRT September 2005: 50-60 days
  - > IRT Goal: less than a week
  - > Status IRT September 2006: 3-5 days
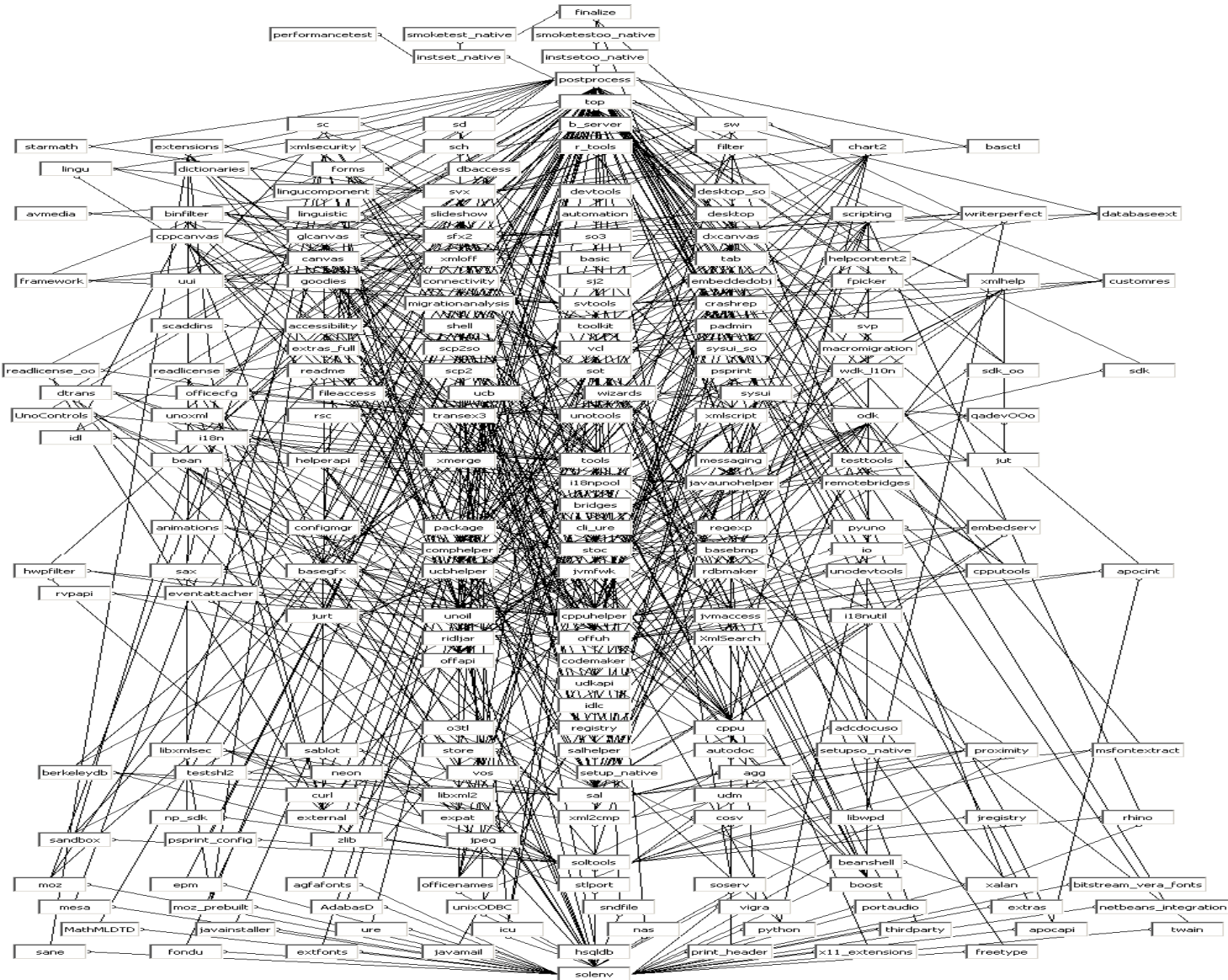
- **Issue Inactivity Time**
  (IIT, describes the time since the last addition of a comment or status change for open issues of type PATCH.
  - > Average IIT September 2005: 130 days
  - > IIT Goal: 2-3 weeks
  - > Status IIT September 2006: 40 days

Build dependencies SO 5.2 (2000)

Build dependencies OOo 2.0 (2005)

Community building

- Build environment improvements (Kai Backman from Google, Volker Quetschke and Novell involved)
- Reduction of Code Complexity
- Mentoring in the Google Summer of Code
- Further improvement of patch handling
- More transparency
    - > Updating current project sites
    - > Wiki
    - > Group blog
- Online trainings, hands-ons for different skill levels

Improvements / Features in OpenOffice.org 2.x and beyond

Performance

- Startup
  - > 30% - 50% faster than OpenOffice.org 2.0
    - > Depends on Application (Writer, Calc, Impress)
- Loading / Saving documents
  - > Up to 50% faster that OpenOffice.org 2.0
- Automatic CWS Performance Tests before integration into Master to prevent decreasing performance
- Ongoing effort to increase the performance significantly
- Intel and Novell contributing significantly to this effort

Extension Development

- Extension Development Toolkit
  - > To be able to implement OpenOffice.org extensions with appealing GUI look and feel
  - > Smart integration in OpenOffice.org help system
  - > Smart integration in "Tools / Options" dialog
  - > Online update capability
- Extension Development
  - > Netbeans integration

ODF Support

- XML Strategy
  - > Strengthening our OpenDocument Format standard
    - > OASIS -> ISO
      - – Publishing by ISO expected in a few weeks
    - > ODF 1.1: Accessibility
      - – Expected for OOo 2.1
    - > ODF 1.2: Spreadsheet Formulas
      - – Expected for OOo 2.3
    - > ODF Viewer for Mozilla Firefox

  - > XML Forms using XForms
    - > Planned integration in 3rd Party form workflow for Enterprise customers
  - > Custom schemas, Meta Data

Microsoft Office Interoperability

- Writer
  - > Complete redesign of MS Word import / export filter
  - > Complete redesign of RTF filter
  - > Core enhancements
    - > New Table implementation, Page break, Section, Numbering, ...
- Calc
  - > Core enhancements
    - > New Business Chart import/export, Data Pilot enhancements, ...
- Impress
  - > Core enhancements
    - > New Table support using Calc table engine, Presentation

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Deployment

- Online Update
  - > OpenOffice.org 2.0.3
    - > Semi-automated Online Update notification mechanism
    - > Available Now
  - > OpenOffice.org 2.0.4
    - > Automated on-line update, product will look for available updates
    - > Planned Availability: mid Sep 2006
  - > OpenOffice.org 2.x
    - > Fully featured, fully automated Online Update for OpenOffice.org and StarOffice on Windows, Linux and Solaris.
  - > "Market place" will be open. Independent US legal entity will be created to handle revenue stream (as

Usability

- Continue to improve ease of use for users who migrate from other office suites to OOo

- Improve usability of everyday features

- Simplify the user interface, reduce UI clutter, eliminate option-mania

- Drive & incorporate user experience focussed contribution from the community

- Build up user experience community on OOo

Personal Information Manager (PIM)

- Completes OpenOffice.org Productivity Offerings
  - OpenOffice.org + Calendaring / eMail / Address book
  - Allows for a complete migration to open solutions
  - Solves MS License issues
  - Addresses user demand proven by OOo surveys
- Based on Mozilla Thunderbird / Lightning
  - Open source
  - Well accepted platform

PIM

- Schedule appointments / meetings
  - > Address book, Invitations, Free / Busy information
  - > Timezone support
- Configuration / Administration
  - > Access rights incl. delegation
  - > Backup / Restore of calendar and config data
- Calendar Server support
  - > Sun Java System Calendar Server
  - > Microsoft Exchange (later)
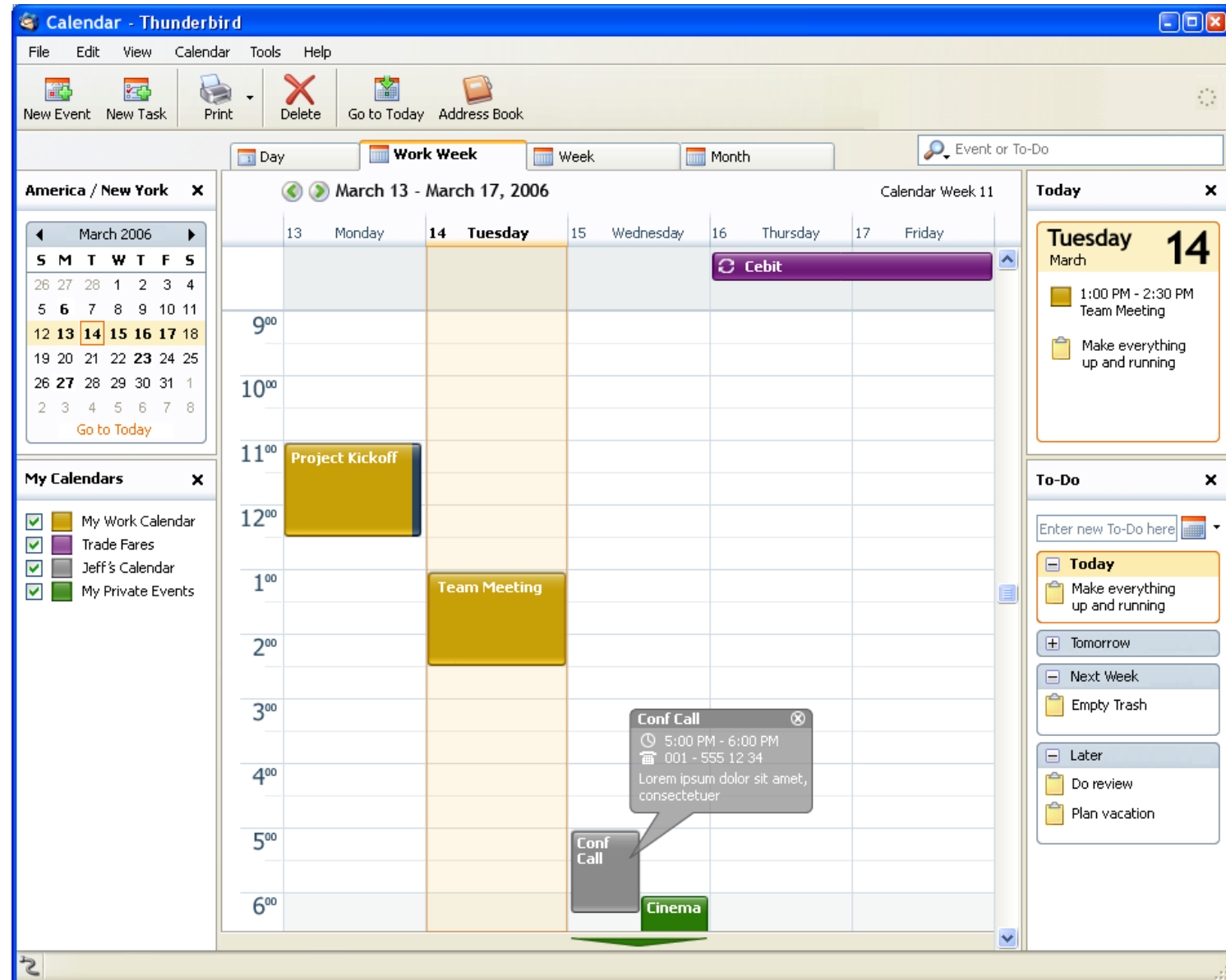- Offline mode to sync with Notebook / PDA (later)

PIM - Working Prototype

- Based on community build

- Schedule a meeting using corporate address book and free / busy

- Sun JS Calendar Server connector
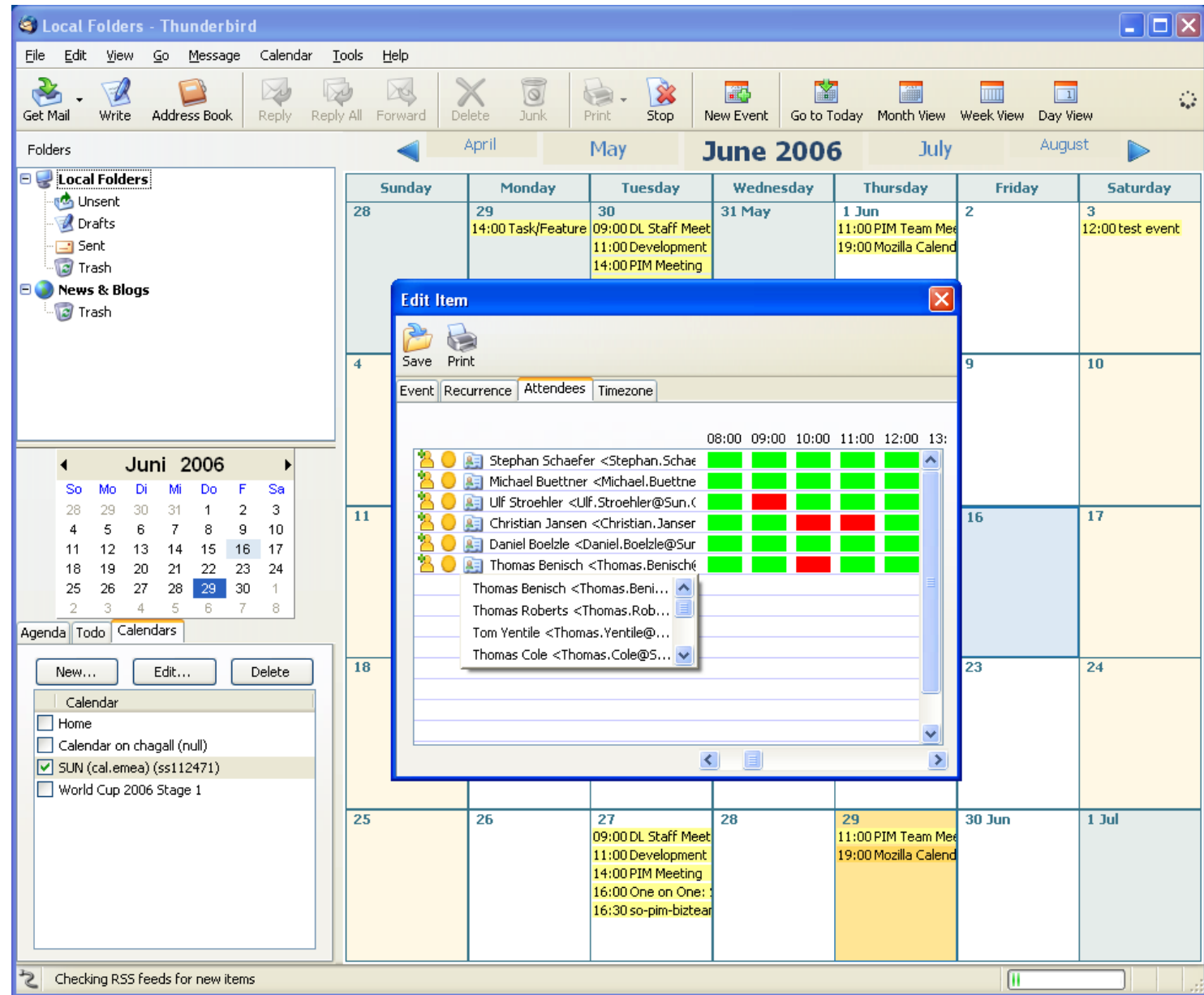
PIM - Planned UI Improvements

- Modern look
- Event / Task attributes
- Agenda / ToDo's
- Navigation
  > Mini month
  > Scrolling
  > Keyboard
- Integration
  > Search box
  > Toolbar

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We can never be enough.

Join!

Thank you!

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