



Trial Master File Reference Model

General Meeting

13th September 2021

Agenda

- ▶ Membership
- ▶ Website update
- ▶ Future-proofing the TMF Reference Model
 - Strategy on a Page process
 - Process update
- ▶ Panel Discussion: Timeliness in the TMF
- ▶ Upcoming TMF Meetings
- ▶ Next Meeting

Membership

- ▶ 324 project team members (groups.io)
- ▶ 1,547 Mailing List Subscribers** (tmfrefmodel.com)
- ▶ 3,689 members of LinkedIn group
- ▶ For details on these different groups and how to get involved, see <http://tmfrefmodel.com/join>

** Make sure webadmin@tmfrefmodel.com
is on your email whitelist

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No specific update on ICH E6R3

- ▶ **Link to CTTI E6R3 project:**

- <https://www.ctti-clinicaltrials.org/projects/informing-update-ich-e6>

- ▶ **Link to CTTI's webinar overview and recordings:**

- https://www.ctti-clinicaltrials.org/sites/www.ctti-clinicaltrials.org/files/meeting_report_of_key_themes_and_comments_june_2020_-_final_09152020.pdf

- ▶ **Link to CTTI's webinar coverage/synopsis:**

- <https://www.ctti-clinicaltrials.org/briefing-room/meetings/ich-e6-guideline-good-clinical-practice-stakeholder-engagement>



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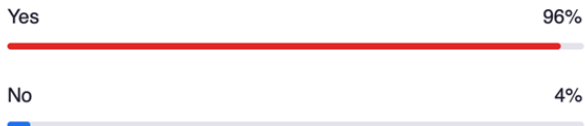
TMF RM Website Content Team

Website Polls

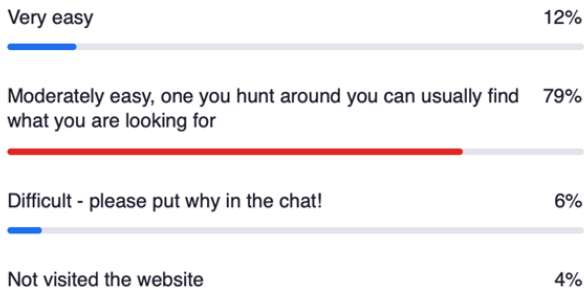
1. How much experience do you have working in TMF space?



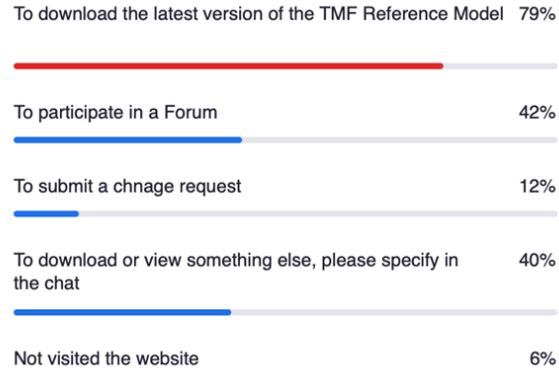
2. Have you ever visited the TMF RM Website?



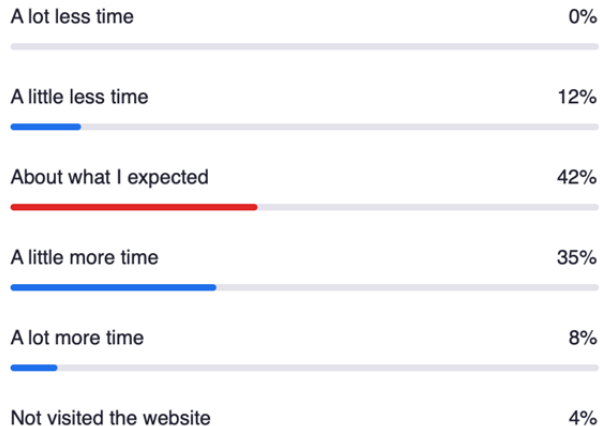
3. If so, how easy is it to navigate and find the information you are looking for in the TMF Reference Model Website?



4. What specifically do visit the TMF Reference Model Website for? Multiple choice allowed(Multiple Choice)



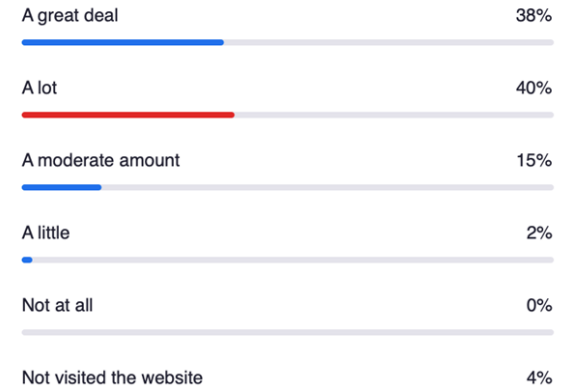
5. Did it take more or less time than you expected to find what you were looking for on the website?



6. How visually appealing is the website?



7. How much do you trust the information on the website?



Website Content Team Objectives

- ▶ What information should the website hold?
- ▶ Can navigation be improved?
- ▶ How should information be presented?
- ▶ How can content be kept current?
- ▶ Initial task: refresh
- ▶ Ongoing: maintenance

Overview of the TMF RM Website

- ▶ Url: <https://tmfrefmodel.com/>
- ▶ Landing page/Home page:



Trial Master File Reference Model

(a DIA Document & Records Management Community project)

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[Change Requests](#)

Home

Welcome to the website of the TMF Reference Model. The TMF Reference Model was developed under the auspices of the Drug Information Association (DIA) Document and Records Management Community.

The TMF Reference Model provides standardized taxonomy and metadata and outlines a reference definition of TMF content using standard nomenclature. The Model is not intended to be taken and used "off-the-shelf" but can be adapted to an electronic or paper TMF, and does not endorse, nor require, any specific technology for application. DIA members and industry members are under no obligation to adopt the TMF Reference Model.

RECENT DISCUSSION TOPICS

- [Do we need to Keep a hard copy in the Paper Document in file Room](#)
4 days, 4 hours ago
- [TMF SOP Template](#)
1 week, 5 days ago
- [Where to file the list of final sites selected for the trial](#)
4 days, 5 hours ago
- [Central IRB Rosters](#)
4 days, 4 hours ago
- [FDA Provides Clarification on 21CFR11 for Third Parties](#)
4 weeks ago

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Overview of the TMF RM Website

▶ Home page (continued)

Click on an event listed below to see details or to download a .ics file for your Outlook calendar

Upcoming Events

SEP ■ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm BST

13 **TMF Reference Model General Meeting (Sep)**

OCT October 19 @ 8:00 am - October 21 @ 5:00 pm UTC+0

19 **TMF Summit (In person)**

NOV November 3 @ 8:00 am - November 5 @ 5:00 pm UTC+0

3 **Clinical Document World**

[View Calendar](#)

NEXT GENERAL MEETINGS

Click on a date below to download an Outlook Calendar .ics file:

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- [September 13, 2021](#)

RECENT POSTS

- [Exchange Mechanism Standard Survey Results are Available](#)
- [EMS Survey Closes February 22](#)
- [CORRECTION TO MEETING INFORMATION](#)
- [TMF Reference Model User Guide – Revised](#)
- [Survey to aid industry adoption of eTMF Exchange Mechanism Standard](#)

RELEVANT LINKS

- [TMF Reference Model v3.2.0](#)
- [EDM Reference Model](#)
- [eTMF Exchange Mechanism Standard Presentation](#)
- [eTMF Exchange Mechanism Standard v1.0.1](#)

Search ...

Overview of the TMF RM Website

- ▶ **News** – The news tab list the relevant news sequentially, i.e., newest to oldest
- ▶ **Forums** – List all the community forums. Currently, we have the following forums:

Forum Name	Topics	Posts
Future-proofing the TMF Reference Model	0	0
General Discussion Forum	51	129
Where do I file... ?	77	156
eMail Communications	2	3
Adopting the reference model	9	22
Archiving	5	25
TMF Management, Content, & Processing	28	71
Signatures	10	32
Project News	3	3

Overview of the TMF RM Website

- ▶ **About the Model** menu link: from here you have the following options available:
 - Participate in Working Groups, Join A Team or it takes you to the Subscribers login page
 - TMF RM Steering Committee – This takes you to an information page regarding the steering committee
 - Intellectual Property Rights Policy
 - Change Requests – Here you can submit a change request to the Change Control Board by filling out a form. Type of feedback to submit are a ‘General comment’, ‘Change existing artifact’, and ‘Proposal for new artifact’

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- ▶ **FAQs** – list commonly asked questions
- ▶ **Exchange Mechanism** – Link to the following:
 - EMS News
 - EMS Roundtables
- ▶ **Resources** – Link to the following:
 - Resources
 - Resources Archive
 - Events
- ▶ **Login** – link to the log in page
- ▶ **Help** – basic information on how to use the website
- ▶ **Subscribe** – the page that allows you to join and subscribe to the TMF RM

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- ▶ **Change Requests** – provides instructions regarding change requests and takes you to the TMF RM Feedback Form.



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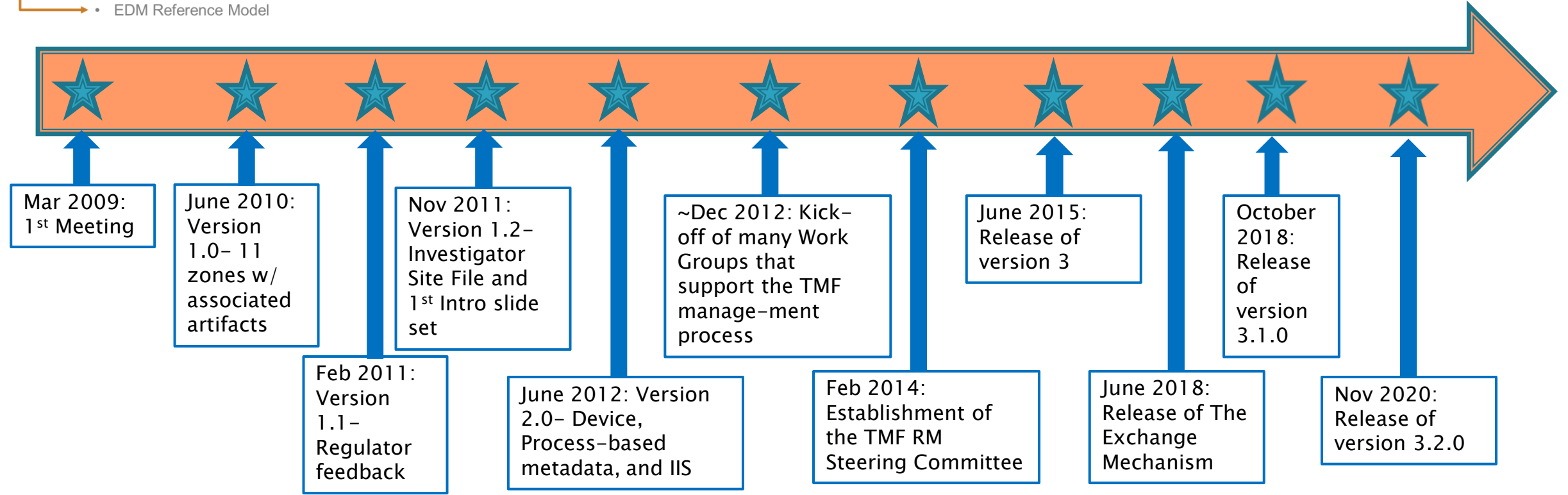
Future-proofing the TMF Reference Model

Karen Roy

Key Messages Reminder

- ▶ We are by the Industry for the Industry
- ▶ The TMF RM is owned by the members of the Team
- ▶ The TMF RM is freely available
- ▶ We are in control of the TMF Reference Model
- ▶ After more than a decade, we want to ensure the TMF RM is future-proof
- ▶ We are transparent
- ▶ We want the members to guide the future – opening communication pathways like surveys

How did we get here?





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Strategy on a page

Fran Ross

Why SOAP?

- ▶ The Strategy on a Page exercise delivers:
 - Agreement on the organization's goals and strategy
- ▶ The outcomes of this effort can include:
 - Increased community and stakeholder alignment
 - Clarity for future directions
 - Speed on action for current activities
 - Wise deployment of resources and time
 - Effective communications and marketing
 - Clarity for goal setting and reporting

TMF RM Steering Committee SOAP plan

Three Pillars : Refine our goal into three or four main initiatives.

Success Criteria : Specify what success looks like for each goal.

Mission : Create a mission statement to sum up our strategy in one sentence.

Present: Present to you, the stakeholders, and the community for feedback

Visualising SOAP

Top of pillar = mission statement

Pillar's top = three main objectives

Pillar middles = objective's three success factors

Base = more about the mission, more details on success factors, or any detail that supports objectives, adds color and insights



Objective

Success
looks like

Success
looks like

Success
looks like



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Strategy on a Page Progress

Karen Roy

SOAP Progress to Date

- ▶ Survey to capture the SC thoughts on:
 - Offering
 - What do we deliver? How valuable is our offering? What won't we do? What haven't we accomplished?
 - Purpose
 - Why do we exist? What do we do better? What has hampered us? What are our limits?
 - Customers
 - Who are our customers? Who are the VIP customers? Who haven't we served? Who won't we serve?
 - Goals
 - What are our goals
 - Success
 - What does success look like? What does failure look like?
- ▶ Workshop 1 to discuss survey responses and consolidate goals
- ▶ Workshop 2 to agree the principles of the main objectives
- ▶ Survey to vote on top success factors

Pillar 1 – Evolution

A new way of managing the TMFRM with the ability to incorporate all other models and look further than documents to include data

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Extensible TMF classification scheme (ability to expand model easily such as sub-artifacts, metadata etc.)	76.92% 10
Interoperable TMF classification scheme / All inclusive taxonomy: ISF, devices, RWE, Functional Medicines, different phases etc.	76.92% 10
Better, more malleable tools (DB etc.,) to manage, map and distribute TMF RM Standard	46.15% 6
Accurate and flexible model for clinical trial master file records	30.77% 4
Evolved to include documentation arising from adoption of technology in clinical trials (process Zone 12 - CSV documents)	30.77% 4
Adapting to changing content collection methods - collection of data not documents	23.08% 3
Expansion of the standard to encompass clustering, processes, TMF Health etc..	7.69% 1
Gaining eTMF vendor commitment to implement evolving TMF RM output	7.69% 1
Total Respondents: 13	

Pillar 2 – Community

Continuity, good future vision and leadership to be fed into through engagement of community.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Robust, transparent, dedicated RM Steering Committee leadership / Drive membership to assume leadership roles to ensure future proofing for SC and preservation of the TMF RM	69.23% 9
Future focused charter and vision/mission	53.85% 7
Active Working Groups / Drive membership so less are consumers and more are contributors	53.85% 7
Community focus, community driven, community first / Community continues to be engaged and drive evolution	38.46% 5
Ongoing connections to related industry consortia	23.08% 3
Improved website with forums and social media channels to raise awareness / Established communication mechanisms including opportunities to volunteer/engage	23.08% 3
Establish monetary source to support initiatives / Members who are willing to pay for membership	23.08% 3
Included other stakeholders such as investigator sites and SMOs	7.69% 1
Links with National Health Services especially for Investigator Led Studies	7.69% 1
Continuing to raise awareness of the Ref Model	0.00% 0
Model training and education programme responsive to the evolving clinical trial landscape / Process for member qualification	0.00% 0
Total Respondents: 13	

Pillar 3 – Formalization

Align and engage with Regulators, formal process for changes and management, be the defacto standard

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Engagement with the Regulators and other Industry bodies/ Endorsement by Regulatory Authorities / Industry Specific Bodies e.g. ICH / Demonstration to the Regulatory Authorities the Ref Model is produced by TMF expert representation from the industry	76.92% 10
The defacto industry standard TMF structure, with global adoption	38.46% 5
Officially ratified and governed standard with formal rules / Affiliation with Standards Authority	38.46% 5
Accurate and strong RM Change Control Board	30.77% 4
Industry adoption of the Exchange Mechanism Standard - interoperability	30.77% 4
Alignment to health authority requires and desires	30.77% 4
Industry consensus of the TMF management through technology and process	30.77% 4
Governed by a Legal Entity (either by establishing the TMF RM as a legal entity or joining an existing one) / Operational and Financial support	23.08% 3
Standard used for Remote Inspections	0.00% 0
Total Respondents: 13	

Pillar 4 – Expansion

Go beyond just strictly TMF RM focus. Information and expertise sharing

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
▼ Shared experiences and suggestions for best practices, inspections, archiving etc	69.23% 9
▼ Standard metrics for TMF completeness, TMF timeliness and TMF quality / Industry-wide benchmarking using the standard performance measures / eTMF Vendor adoption of standard metrics	61.54% 8
▼ Expand activities/deliverables from just providing the spreadsheet and change the name to reflect this	61.54% 8
▼ RM Community Derived Templates, White Papers, Education / Knowledge initiatives and tools beyond the spreadsheet	46.15% 6
▼ Supports to align with the Regulations, Guidances, etc.	46.15% 6
▼ Determined industry resolution to TMF issues in accordance with Regulators	15.38% 2
Total Respondents: 13	

The TMF Reference Model is Yours!

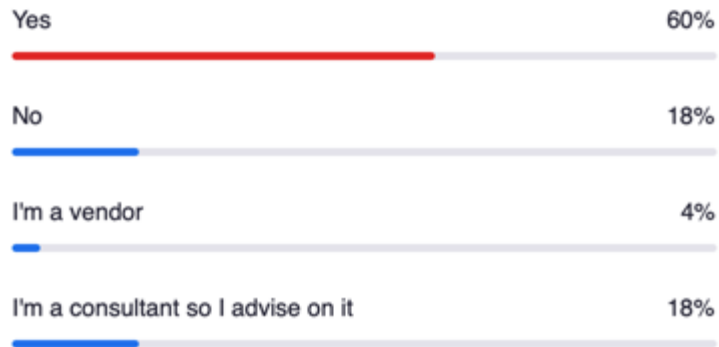
- ▶ Survey to follow
- ▶ Volunteers to contribute ideas
- ▶ Get involved

Managing and Reporting on Timeliness in a TMF

Panel: Mary Emanoil, Joanne Malia, Kathie Clark

Timeliness Polls

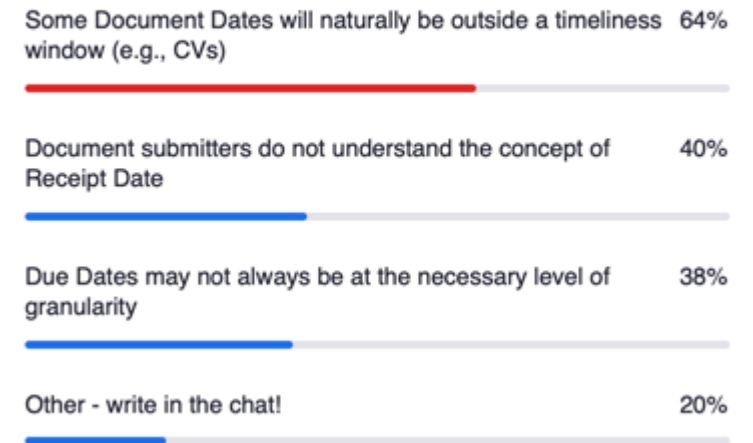
1. Do you measure timeliness?



2. How do you measure timeliness?



3. What are the biggest challenges you face in measuring timeliness? (Multiple Choice)



TMF-related events coming up*

**Events page on website (under Resources menu)*

- ▶ **HSRAA, Virtual, September 2021**
- ▶ Fierce TMF Summit, **NEW ORLEANS AND VIRTUAL**, October 2021

TMF RM General Meetings

- ▶ <15th November>
- ▶ Add to your calendar NOW or download the calendar file (.ics file) from our [homepage](#)
- ▶ Outlook Meeting Request no longer distributed



QUESTIONS?

Join the TMF Reference Model Discussion Group

<https://tmfrefmodel.com/register>

- Knowledge sharing
- Networking
- Too Much Fun!

Join the TMF Reference Model Project Team
(be prepared to work! – we can't do this without YOU)

<https://tmfrefmodel.groups.io/g/main>

Meeting details

- ▶ Wondering where to find details of the next meeting?

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Trial Master File Reference Model website. The page title is "Trial Master File Reference Model" with a subtitle "(a DIA Document & Records Management Community project)". The navigation menu includes Home, News, About the TMF Reference Model, FAQs, Exchange Mechanism, Resources, Join, and Feedback. The main content area features a large heading "Trial Master File Reference Model" and a "Home" section with introductory text. On the right side, there is a "YOU ARE FOLLOWING THIS BLOG" section and an "UPCOMING EVENTS" section. The "UPCOMING EVENTS" section contains a calendar entry for "TMF Reference Model Ge" on Monday, 1 April, from 16:00 to 17:00. This entry is circled in red, and a large blue arrow points from the right towards it. Below the calendar entry, there are social media sharing options and a "Like this" button.

On TMF Reference Model website, click on calendar to see meeting details. Click 'Copy to my calendar' to add to your Outlook / Google calendar.

Meeting details

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On Groups.io, click on Calendar to show group calendar. Click on an event to see dial-in details



The screenshot shows the Groups.io interface for the group 'main@tmfrefmodel.groups.io'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with items: Home (Owner), Subscription, Admin (2), Messages, Hashtags, New Topic, Chats, Subgroups, Directory, Calendar (highlighted), Files, and Databases. The main content area displays a calendar for September. The calendar grid shows dates from 26 to 11. A meeting titled '4:00pm TMF Reference Model General' is scheduled for September 9th, highlighted with a red circle.

<https://tmfrefmodel.groups.io/g/main/>